

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 15

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Monday, February 23, 1998

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Graham, Chair, Select Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following petitions for Private Bills:

of Tanya Marie Bryant for the Tanya Marie Bryant Adoption Termination Act;

of David Luckwell and H.L. Burke Enterprises Ltd. for the Innovative Insurance Corporation Amendment Act, 1998;

of Alberta Wheat Pool for the Alberta Wheat Pool Amendment Act, 1998; and

of Donald A. Wheaton and Donald H. Wheaton for the Millennium Insurance Corporation Act.

Mr. Hlady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, presented a petition from 208 Calgarians regarding the historical site designation for Calgary's Crown Building, Neilson Block, Doll Block, Grand Saddlery Building, and the building next to the Imperial Bank Building.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 17 Metis Settlements Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 — Mr. Ducharme

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 17 Metis Settlements Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 — Mr. Ducharme

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills:

Responses to questions raised on February 11, 1998, Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 6, Dangerous Goods Transportation and Handling Act

Sessional Paper 194/98

Ms O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Report undated, entitled "Serving their communities and the region: St. Albert Transit and Strathcona Transit

Sessional Paper 195/98

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development:

14 letters dated February 17, 1998, offering congratulations to the eleven Albertabased medalist winning athletes and their three coaches of the Nagano Winter Olympic Games, February 6 to 22, 1998

Sessional Paper 196/98

3 letters dated February 23, 1998, offering congratulations regarding Red Deer's hosting of the 1998 Alberta Winter Games, February 19 to 22, 1998, to: Mr. Tom Ganger, Chairman, 1998 Alberta Winter Games Host Society; Reeve Morris Lewis, County of Red Deer; and Mayor Gail Surkan, City of Red Deer

Sessional Paper 197/98

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert:

Resolutions endorsed by the Women of Unifarm, dated June 5-6, 1997, regarding health care, transportation and utilities, submitted by Florence Trautman, President, Women of Unifarm, February 20, 1998

Sessional Paper 198/98

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

Copies of overhead transparancies from Mr. Paul Rushforth's presentation on February 5, 1998, to the Calgary Chamber of Commerce regarding the funding and services provided by the Calgary Regional Health Authority (CRHA)

Sessional Paper 199/98

Letter dated February 17, 1998, from Judy Tilston, Chair, Calgary Board of Education, to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, seeking clarification of a February 3, 1998 statement regarding the equitability of the funding framework for education among school jurisdictions

Sessional Paper 200/98

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 109:

Legislative Assembly Office, Ninth Annual Report for the calendar year ended December 31, 1997, including the First Annual Report of the Alberta Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

Sessional Paper 201/98

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, made a statement offering congratulations to the athletes competing in the 1998 Alberta Winter Games in Red Deer, February 19 to 22, 1998, as well as Mr. Tom Ganger of the 1998 Alberta Winter Games Host Society and the many community volunteers involved.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of the Liberal Opposition, also offered congratulations to the participants and volunteers involved and to the host city of Red Deer.

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, made a statement offering congratulations to the athletes competing in the 18th Winter Olympic Games in Nagano, Japan, February 6 to 22, 1998, and in particular the Alberta-based athletes who won eight of the fifteen medals awarded to Canadians.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of the Liberal Opposition, also offered congratulations to the athletes, teams, and volunteers involved.

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Dr. West, Minister of Energy, tabled the following:

Cabinet Committee on Climate Change: Terms of Reference, dated February 18, 1998, excerpt page 1 entitled "C4 - Cabinet Committee on Climate Change: Post-Kyoto" detailing the membership, mandate and terms of reference

Sessional Paper 202/98

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

16. Moved by Hon. Mr. Day:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

A debate followed.

Mr. Yankowsky moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

18. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Havelock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly confirm the appointment of Gerrald Gwynn Scott Sutton as Ombudsman, by Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, effective April 1, 1998, for a term of five years, as recommended in the report of the Select Special Ombudsman Search Committee.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Third time:

Bill 1 Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution Act — Hon. Mr. Klein

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution Act, be not now read a Third time but be recommitted to Committee of the Whole to enable the Committee to consider further amendments to section 3 of the Bill.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 1 Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution Act — Hon. Mr. Klein

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 16 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1998 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Day

Mrs. Gordon, Deputy Chairman of Committees, tabled a copy of the amendment considered by the Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 1 (Hon. Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs on behalf of the Hon. Minister of Family and Social Services) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 203/98

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:21 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply, and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1998 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Days 2 and 3 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Subcommittees)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mrs. Gordon reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Energy (Subcommittee D), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to table copies of a document tabled by Hon. Dr. West during Committee of Supply (Subcommittee D) consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Energy:

New Alberta Oil Sands Developments 1996 - 2007

Sessional Paper 204/98

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Labour (Subcommittee C), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to table copies of a document tabled by Hon. Mr. Smith during Committee of Supply (Subcommittee C) consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Labour:

Alberta Labour organization chart, dated February 23, 1998 Sessional Paper 205/98

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 16 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1998 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Day

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 16 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1998 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Day

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:22 p.m. until Tuesday, February 24, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Monday, February 23, 1998