



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 17

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Wednesday, February 25, 1998

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

**Reading and Receiving Petitions**

Ms Graham, Chair, Select Standing Committee on Private Bills, moved that, further to the report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills that was reported in the Assembly on Tuesday, February 24, 1998, the following petitions for Private Bills presented in the Assembly on Monday, February 23, 1998, now be deemed to be read and received:

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.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Response to questions raised on February 18, 1998, Department of Municipal Affairs, 1997-98 Supplementary Estimates Committee of Supply debate regarding the total portfolio losses and list of assets disposed of by the Alberta Social Housing Corporation, for the ten months ended January 31, 1998

Sessional Paper 230/98

Response to questions raised on February 18, 1998, Department of Municipal Affairs, 1997-98 Supplementary Estimates Committee of Supply debate regarding the Alberta Social Housing Corporation (Predecessors) cost review 1979 to 1998, dated February 23, 1998

Sessional Paper 231/98

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health:

Alberta Cancer Board, Annual Report 1996-97, entitled "Building Partnerships"

Sessional Paper 232/98

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Foundations Act, cH-4.5, s13:

Capital Health (Crown) Foundation, Financial Statement March 31, 1997, by the Auditor General, dated October 1, 1997

Sessional Paper 233/98

Calgary Health (Crown) Foundation, Financial Statement March 31, 1997, by the Auditor General, dated May 14, 1997

Sessional Paper 234/98

## **Oral Question Period**

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, tabled the following:

Letter dated August 11, 1997, from David Richter, Chairperson, Education Committee, County of Red Deer Rate Payers (CRDRP) Association, to Mrs. Densichuk, Board of Education, Chinook's Edge Regional Division #5, requesting information and inclusion in the September 1997 Board meeting

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Letter dated August 22, 1997, from Susan Denischuk, Chairman of the Board, Chinook's Edge Regional Division #5, to Mr. David Richter, Chairperson, Education Committee, County of Red Deer Rate Payers (CRDRP) Association, with attachments in response to his request for information and issuing regrets for items missing due to Section 59(1) and (3) of the School Act

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## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

**WQ5.** Moved by Mr. Gibbons:

What is the breakdown of the \$1.7 million provision for loss for the estimated costs of lease obligations in excess of estimated sublease revenues by specific property held by the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission as of March 31, 1997, as contained in the Public Accounts 1996/97, Vol. 3, notes 13 and 14, pages 191-192?

**WQ9.** Moved by Dr. Pannu:

How does the Government explain the fact that the Heritage Trust Fund's Annual Report for 1996-97 indicates an overall rate of return of 8.5% for the Fund's investments when the Public Accounts for the same year (schedule 6, page 37) states the average "effective yield" is 3.63% for securities maturing within a year and 5.52% for securities maturing in 1 to 35 years on the bulk of our financial assets?

The following Written Question was rejected:

**WQ10.** Moved by Dr. Pannu:

What is the main reason or reasons why Alberta Treasury Branch guarantees increased \$351 million, that is from \$125 million to \$476 million, in the 1994-95 fiscal year (see Contingent Liabilities, note 14, page 22, Alberta Treasury Branch's Annual Report) and what provisions for losses have been made or will be made in the future on this contingent liability?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ17, WQ18, WQ19, WQ24, WQ25, WQ26, WQ27, WQ28, WQ29, WQ30, WQ31, WQ32, WQ33, WQ34, WQ35, WQ36, WQ37, WQ40, WQ41, WQ42.

### Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were rejected:

**MR8.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

Copies of all documents written by or for the Government and all internal memos between January 1, 1993 and January 27, 1998, concerning the need for Alberta to reduce the emission of gases that contribute to global climate change, how reductions can best be achieved and how any programs will be implemented.

**MR12.** Moved by Ms Barrett:

The Lease Amendment Agreement signed during 1996 between the Government and Maple Leaf Foods Inc. at the time the Government's lease agreement with Burns Foods Ltd. was transferred to Maple Leaf.

**MR13.** Moved by Ms Barrett:

Copies of all correspondence and memoranda between the Government and Maple Leaf Foods Inc. between January 1, 1997 and January 27, 1998.

**MR14.** Moved by Ms Barrett:

Copies of all documents prepared by the Government pertaining to the closure of Maple Leaf Foods Inc. Edmonton plant between April 1, 1997 and January 27, 1998.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR15, MR16, MR21, MR22, MR23, MR38, MR39, MR43, MR44.

## **Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 205 Alberta Bill of Responsibilities — Mr. Shariff

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

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

Bill 206 Human Tissue Donation Procedures Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 —  
Ms Forsyth

A debate followed.

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

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, it was agreed at 5:18 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply, and the Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1998 — 8:00 P.M.

**Committee of Supply** (Days 6 and 7 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Subcommittees)

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

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

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

**Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:15 p.m. until Thursday, February 26, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, February 25, 1998