



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 29

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Wednesday, March 18, 1998

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Klapstein, Hon. Member for Leduc, presented a petition from 13 constituents supporting a required administrative licence suspension for anyone charged with impaired driving, for a period of 90 days or up to the time of court appearance and disposition.

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 135 members of the medical profession and patients expressing concern regarding Bill 29, Medical Professions Amendment Act, 1997 (24th Legislature, 1st Session).

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 29 Students' Financial Assistance Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 —
Mr. Johnson

Bill 30 Cemeteries and Funeral Services Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 —
Ms Haley on behalf of Mrs. Laing

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

Bill 29 Students' Financial Assistance Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 —
Mr. Johnson

Bill 30 Cemeteries and Funeral Services Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 —
Ms Haley on behalf of Mrs. Laing

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development:

Letter dated March 18, 1998, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, to Mr. Dave Earner offering congratulations on winning the silver medal in Men's Sledge Hockey at the Nagano Winter Olympic Games
Sessional Paper 378/98

Letter dated March 18, 1998, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, to Mr. Pierre Schweda offering congratulations for coaching the silver medal winning Men's Sledge Hockey team at the Nagano Winter Olympic Games
Sessional Paper 379/98

Letter dated March 18, 1998, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, to Mr. Warren Martin offering congratulations on winning the silver medal in Men's Sledge Hockey at the Nagano Winter Olympic Games
Sessional Paper 380/98

Letter dated March 18, 1998, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, to Mr. Stacy Kohut offering congratulations on winning the silver medal in Men's Slalom alpine skiing at the Nagano Winter Olympic Games
Sessional Paper 381/98

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder:

Letter dated March 16, 1998, from Herman Schwenk, President, Alberta Federation of REA's Ltd. (A Forum for the Future of Farm Power) expressing concern regarding Bill 27, Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 1998, proposed "life extension period" including a cut-off date of December 31, 2020, with attached Alberta Report article dated March 18, 1998, entitled "TransAlta angles for a \$6 billion windfall"
Sessional Paper 382/98

London Economics report dated March 12, 1998, regarding the termination of the residual benefit contracts to which Alberta Power has suggested that the Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) used to transfer the residual benefit from generators to customers should be extended beyond the year 2020
Sessional Paper 383/98

Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Family and Social Services:

Letter dated March 18, 1998, from Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Family and Social Services, to the Alberta Association of Registered Social Workers in recognition of National Social Work Week, March 15 to 21, 1998, and the dedication and contribution of social workers

Sessional Paper 384/98

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs:

Responses to questions raised on March 2, 1998, Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, 1998-99 Committee of Supply (Subcommittee B) debate

Sessional Paper 385/98

Alberta Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs and Aboriginal Affairs: Client Survey Project (1997), Executive Summary, prepared by Equus Consulting Group Inc.

Sessional Paper 386/98

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Letter dated March 6, 1998, from Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Family and Social Services, regarding the funding of the Mayfield Elementary School's Early Head Start program

Sessional Paper 387/98

Recognitions

Ms O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: Capital Health Authority 35-member medical team's return from a volunteer mission to Guatemala.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, March 21, 1998.

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands: Riverdale resident Veronika Whitfield's passing.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

WQ33. Moved by Mrs. Soetaert on behalf of Mr. Mitchell:

What was the number of public servants employed by the Government within the age ranges of 25 years and under, 26 through 30 years, 31 through 45 years, 46 through 60 years, and over 60 years of age for the calendar years 1981, 1992, and 1997?

WQ40. Moved by Mrs. Soetaert on behalf of Mr. Mitchell:

What was the average age of, and number of, managers employed in the Alberta civil service in each of the calendar years 1981, 1992, and 1997; and what was the average age of, and number of, executive managers employed in the Alberta civil service in each of the calendar years 1981, 1992, and 1997?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ41, WQ42, WQ45, WQ46, WQ47, WQ48, WQ49, WQ50, WQ51, WQ54, WQ57, WQ58, WQ71, WQ72, WQ73, WQ74, WQ75, WQ76, WQ77, WQ78, WQ79, WQ80, WQ81, WQ82, WQ83.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were rejected:

MR38. Moved by Mr. Sapers on behalf of Mr. Dickson:

Copies of all contracts between private health care operators and the Capital Regional Health Authority within the time period January 1, 1997 to January 1, 1998.

MR39. Moved by Mr. Sapers on behalf of Mr. Dickson:

Copies of all contracts between private health care operators and the Calgary Regional Health Authority within the time period January 1, 1997 to January 1, 1998.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR43, MR44, MR52, MR53, MR55, MR56, MR59, MR60, MR61, MR62, MR63, MR64, MR65, MR66, MR67, MR68, MR69, MR70.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

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

Mr. Shariff, Acting Chairman of Committees, tabled copies of the amendment considered by the Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 206 (Introduced by the Hon. Minister of Health on
March 17, 1998) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 388/98

Second Reading

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

Bill 209 Access Enforcement Act — Ms Olsen

A debate followed.

The question being put, with Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the motion was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 7

Bonner
MacDonald
Nicol

Olsen
Sapers

Soetaert
White

Against the motion: 40

Amery	Havelock	McClellan
Black	Herard	McFarland
Broda	Hierath	Melchin
Burgener	Hlady	O'Neill
Calahasen	Jacques	Paszkowski
Cao	Johnson	Renner
Cardinal	Klapstein	Shariff
Clegg	Kryczka	Stelmach
Coutts	Langevin	Strang
Doerksen	Lougheed	Tarchuk
Ducharme	Magnus	Thurber
Dunford	Mar	West
Haley	Marz	Yankowsky
Hancock		

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, it was agreed at 5:17 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.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1998 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 20 — Main Estimates; and Day 2 — Supplementary Supply No. 2 Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

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, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999, for the purposes indicated:

Legislative Assembly

\$21,986,219	Support to the Legislative Assembly Operating Expense
\$12,089,210	Office of the Auditor General Operating Expense
\$404,500	Office of the Auditor General Capital Investment
\$1,460,500	Office of the Ombudsman Operating Expense
\$1,761,021	Office of the Chief Electoral Officer Operating Expense
\$197,732	Office of the Ethics Commissioner Operating Expense
\$1,582,724	Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner Operating Expense

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999, for the Departments and purposes indicated:

Community Development

\$307,651,000	Operating Expense
\$110,000	Capital Investment

Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs

\$24,350,000	Operating Expense
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The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions of the 1997-98 Supplementary Supply Estimates No. 2, General Revenue Fund, reports as follows and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1998, for the purposes indicated:

Legislative Assembly

\$203,000	Office of the Auditor General Operating Expense
\$24,000	Office of the Ombudsman Operating Expense
\$10,000	Office of the Chief Electoral Officer Operating Expense
\$4,000	Office of the Ethics Commissioner Operating Expense
\$26,000	Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner Operating Expense

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions of the 1997-98 Supplementary Supply Estimates No. 2, General Revenue Fund, reports as follows and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1998, for the Departments and purposes indicated:

Education

\$4,370,000 Operating Expense

Health

\$130,000,000 Operating Expense

Transportation and Utilities

\$1,000,000 Operating Expense

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Introduction of Bills.

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 31 Appropriation Act, 1998 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Day

Bill 32 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1998 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Day

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:28 p.m. until Thursday, March 19, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 18, 1998