



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 42

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

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Thursday, April 9, 1998

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

### **Presenting Petitions**

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 47 Edmonton residents regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on sexual orientation, and expressing opposition to the utilization of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms' "notwithstanding clause."

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

22 letters dated April 2 to 8, 1998, from Albertans to Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, expressing opposition to the possible use of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms' "notwithstanding clause" to limit human rights based on sexual orientation

Sessional Paper 563/98

357 letters dated April 2 to 8, 1998, from Albertans to Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, expressing support for the possible use of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms' "notwithstanding clause" to limit human rights based on sexual orientation

Sessional Paper 564/98

Hon. Dr. West, Minister of Energy:

Options for Market Power Mitigation in the Alberta Power Pool: Final Report, prepared for the Alberta Department of Energy by London Economics, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts, dated January 1998

Sessional Paper 565/98

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development, pursuant to the Students Finance Act, cS-24, s5(2):

Alberta Students Finance Board, Annual Report 1997: Including the Report of the Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund

Sessional Paper 566/98

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development, pursuant to the Advanced Education Foundations Act, cA-2.5, s15(2):

Banff Centre Foundation, Financial Statements March 31, 1997, prepared by the Auditor General

Sessional Paper 567/98

University of Alberta 1991 Foundation, Financial Statements March 31, 1997, prepared by the Auditor General

Sessional Paper 568/98

University of Calgary Foundation, Financial Statements March 31, 1997, prepared by the Auditor General

Sessional Paper 569/98

University of Lethbridge Foundation, Financial Statements March 31, 1997, prepared by the Auditor General

Sessional Paper 570/98

Public Colleges Foundation of Alberta, Financial Statements March 31, 1997, prepared by the Auditor General

Sessional Paper 571/98

Athabasca University Foundation, Financial Statements March 31, 1997, prepared by the Auditor General

Sessional Paper 572/98

Technical Institutes Foundation of Alberta, Financial Statements March 31, 1997, prepared by Deloitte and Touche Chartered Accountants

Sessional Paper 573/98

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development:

Memorandum dated April 9, 1998, from Jack Davis, Deputy Minister, Executive Council, and Jim Dixon, Public Service Commissioner, to all Deputy Ministers regarding the Management Rewards Strategy initiative

Sessional Paper 574/98

Compensation for Alberta Government Senior Officials: Final Report, dated April 8, 1998, with attached news release dated April 9, 1998, entitled "Committee Releases Report on Salaries for Provincial Government Deputy Ministers"

Sessional Paper 575/98

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour:

University of Calgary 1997 Community Report entitled "New directions now"

Sessional Paper 576/98

Alberta Workers' Compensation Act Appeals Commission, Annual Report 1996 and 1997

Sessional Paper 577/98

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

Letter dated April 9, 1998, from Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, to all Members of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, expressing gratitude for their kindness and good wishes during his hospital stay

Sessional Paper 578/98

Expense claims relating to temporary residence, mileage, travel, committee fees, and an open letter to constituents dated January 28, 1998, regarding other records pertaining to constituency records, purchase orders and receipts being available for review in the constituency office

Sessional Paper 579/98

Letter dated April 9, 1998, from Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, detailing calls received expressing support or opposition to the Supreme Court of Canada ruling regarding the inclusion of sexual orientation into human rights legislation, with attached 11 letters received

Sessional Paper 580/98

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

35 letters dated March 31, 1998 to April 8, 1998, from Albertans to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing support for the inclusion of sexual orientation into human rights legislation and expressing opposition to the possible use of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms' "notwithstanding clause"

Sessional Paper 581/98

Summary sheet of letters and calls received expressing support or opposition to the Supreme Court of Canada ruling regarding the inclusion of sexual orientation into human rights legislation

Sessional Paper 582/98

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Letter dated April 1, 1998, from a Hepatitis C victim to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, expressing opposition to the decision by the Federal Government to compensate only victims infected between 1986 to 1990

Sessional Paper 583/98

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

Alberta Electrical Industry Restructuring: Technical Discussion Paper Series, Category - Deregulation, Title - Definitions: Residual Benefit and Stranded Cost, Deregulation of Generation, Created - January 14, 1998, Last Revised - January 21, 1998

Sessional Paper 584/98

Graph entitled "Value Captured Through Generation Contracts," depicting stranded cost, residual benefits base life, residual benefits life extension, and net total of value captured by 2020 and value remaining

Sessional Paper 585/98

Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning:

Petitions and letters received in support for the implementation of Reeve Frank Stowkowski and Smoky Lake Council's motion to approve a total systems evaluation assessment of the County of Smoky Lake

Sessional Paper 586/98

Letter dated March 10, 1998, from Douglas Dahl, to Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection, expressing opposition to the process for buying hunting and fishing licenses

Sessional Paper 587/98

## Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, made a statement in recognition of Mr. Mitchell's final day as Leader of the Official Opposition, and offering recognition of his role as Leader of the Liberal Party, and best wishes for future endeavors.

Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement expressing gratitude for the Premier's comments, the Speaker's exemplary role, and the support given by the Liberal Caucus and his family.

## Members' Statements

Mr. Stevens, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement recognizing the family of Jim Wong's 101st anniversary since immigrating to Alberta.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding National Wildlife Week, April 5 to 11, 1998, and the need for protection of natural resources, habitat, and endangered species.

Mrs. Burgener, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement offering congratulations to J.R. Shaw, Canadian Business Hall of Fame inductee, and the role of Shaw Communications Incorporated programs.

## Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Sapers, Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of April 20 to April 23, 1998:

Monday, April 20	Aft.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b>
		<b>Second Reading</b>
		Bills 35, 39, 41, 21, 38
		And as per Order Paper
	Eve.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b>
		<b>Committee of the Whole</b>
		Bills 25, 35, 39, 41, 21, 38, 27
		And as per Order Paper

Tuesday, April 21	(4:30)	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Third Reading</b> Bills 20, 23, 28, 29, 30, 33, 36, 24, 13 And as per Order Paper
	Eve.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of the Whole</b> Bills 2, 37, 27
Wednesday, April 22	Eve.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of the Whole</b> As per Order Paper, based on progress Monday and Tuesday, and in consultation with the Opposition parties
Thursday, April 23	Aft.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Third Reading</b> <b>Committee of the Whole</b> As per Order Paper, based on progress Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday; and in consultation with the Opposition parties

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill Pr3 Alberta Wheat Pool Amendment Act, 1998 — Mr. McFarland

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 40 Senatorial Selection Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Hancock

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 41 Agriculture Statutes (Livestock Identification) Amendment Act, 1998 —  
Hon. Mr. Stelmach

A debate followed.

Ms Olsen moved adjournment of the debate, which was defeated.

Debate continued.

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

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

Bill 39 Financial Administration Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Day

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

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 35 Colleges, Technical Institutes and Universities Statutes Amendment Act,  
1998 — Hon. Mr. Dunford

## **Adjournment**

Pursuant to Government Motion No. 6 agreed to by the Assembly on February 3, 1998,  
and on motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, the  
Assembly adjourned at 5:10 p.m. until Monday, April 20, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Thursday, April 9, 1998