



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 57

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Thursday, November 26, 1998

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

Presenting Petitions

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, presented a petition from 9 Albertans requesting Senate elections during the municipal elections in October 1998, to ensure an accountable Senate.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Ms Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to introduce and support legislation requiring and enabling the regional authorities responsible for services for children and families to make quality child care accessible and affordable for all Alberta families.

On request by Ms Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to maintain the operating allowance for day care centres at 1997 levels until a comprehensive public review of this funding is completed.

On request by Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to examine and amend the Workers' Compensation Board Act to provide appropriate benefits to those Albertans whose spouses died in work-related accidents, and who subsequently lost their benefits due to remarriage.

On request by Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta not to pass Bill 37, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1998.

On request by Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to amend the Legislative Assembly Act in such a manner as to make it mandatory for the Government to hold two sittings of the Legislature each year, in the Spring and the Fall.

On request by Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta not to pass Bill 37, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1998.

Notices of Motions

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that this Assembly recognize the urgent need for a broad public debate on whether the Government of Alberta should implement the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 50 Traffic Safety Act — Hon. Mr. Paszkowski

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier:

Letter dated January 24, 1990, from Hon. Mr. Horseman, former Deputy Premier, former Government House Leader and former Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs, to Hon. Mr. Clark, former Secretary of State for External Affairs, in response to a letter dated December 22, 1989, expressing support for the signing of the U.N. (United Nations) Convention on the Rights of the Child following legislative change prior to formal ratification

Sessional Paper 922/98

Letter dated December 4, 1991, from Hon. Mr. Horseman, former Deputy Premier, former Government House Leader and former Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs, to Hon. Ms McDougall, former Secretary of State for External Affairs, regarding the U.N. (United Nations) Convention on the Rights of the Child expressing reservations regarding several Articles

Sessional Paper 923/98

Mr. Jacques, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti:

Letter dated November 15, 1998, from Dennis R. Ganzeveld, Chairman, Saddle Hills Awareness Committee, with attached petition signed by 1,082 Beaverlodge, Hythe, Valhalla, LaGlace and area residents expressing concern regarding recent acts of eco-terrorism

Sessional Paper 924/98

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

500 postcards entitled "Please defeat Bill 219, I am in favour of local bargaining, retaining the right to strike, and retaining principals' right to be represented in collective bargaining"

Sessional Paper 925/98

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

21 letters from Albertans to Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, and Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing support for the ratification of the U.N. (United Nations) Convention on the Rights of the Child

Sessional Paper 926/98

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

Memorandum dated November 5, 1991, from George Pheasey, Assistant Deputy Minister, Work and Safety Standards, Alberta Labour, to Robin Ford, Deputy Minister, Alberta Labour, regarding pine shake roofing

Sessional Paper 927/98

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry:

300 postcards entitled "Please defeat Bill 219, I am in favour of local bargaining, retaining the right to strike, and retaining principals' right to be represented in collective bargaining"

Sessional Paper 928/98

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour:

Pine shakes documentation covering the period 1981 to 1991, records released under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Sessional Paper 929/98

Pine shakes documentation covering the period 1991 to 1992, records released under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Sessional Paper 930/98

Pine shakes documentation covering the period 1992 to 1993, records released under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Sessional Paper 931/98

Pine shakes documentation covering the period 1994 to 1997, records released under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Sessional Paper 932/98

Pine shakes documentation covering the period 1998, records released under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Sessional Paper 933/98

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

Fact sheet dated November 26, 1998, entitled "Quotations from Premier Klein on ATB (Alberta Treasury Branches)/West Edmonton Mall" with comments dated April 30, 1997; August 20, 1998; November 9, 1998; and November 12, 1998

Sessional Paper 934/98

Mr. Hlady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Letter dated November 25, 1998, from Dianne Abbott, Secretary/Treasurer, Friends of Old St. Mary's Girls School, with attached petition signed by 372 Calgary residents expressing support for a historic resource designation of St. Martin de Porres School (commonly known as the Old St. Mary's Girls School)

Sessional Paper 935/98

Letter dated November 25, 1998, from Roseleen Heddinger; Alison Roberton, and Bob van Wegen, Alberta Historical Preservation and Rebuilding Society, with attached petition signed by 1,054 Calgary residents expressing support for a historic resource designation of the Grand Theatre/Lougheed Building in Calgary (commonly known as the Grand Lougheed)

Sessional Paper 936/98

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour, tabled the following:

News release dated June 18, 1998, entitled "Failure to Pay Employees Leads to Charges"

Sessional Paper 937/98

Members' Statements

Mr. Jacques, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, made a statement regarding his earlier tabling of the letter dated November 15, 1998, from Dennis R. Ganzeveld, Chairman, Saddle Hills Awareness Committee, with attached petition signed by 1,082 Beaverlodge, Hythe, Valhalla, LaGlance and area residents expressing concern regarding recent acts of eco-terrorism.

Ms Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and expressing support for the ratification of the U.N. (United Nations) Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Ms Graham, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement recognizing John Komarkicki, President and Chief Executive Officer, Hurricane Hydrocarbons Ltd. upon being named the 1998 Prairies Region Entrepreneur of the Year.

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. Havelock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of November 30 to December 3, 1998:

Monday, November 30	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 49
		Committee of the Whole
		Bills 47, 48
		Third Reading
		Bills 44, 46, 47, 48, 38
		And as per Order Paper

	Eve.	-	Government Bills and Orders Committee of the Whole Bills 21, 2 And as per Order Paper
Tuesday, December 1	(4:30)	-	Government Bills and Orders Committee of the Whole Bill 49 Third Reading As per Order Paper
	Eve.	-	Government Bills and Orders Committee of the Whole Third Reading And as per Order Paper
Wednesday, December 2	Eve.	-	Government Bills and Orders Committee of the Whole As per Order Paper Third Reading Bill 49 And as per Order Paper
Thursday, December 4	Aft.	-	Adjournment following Routine (Premier's Lighting of the Lights)

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that this Assembly recognize the urgent need for a broad public debate on whether the Government of Alberta should implement the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Day 1 — Lottery Fund Supplementary Supply Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

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 1998-99 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the Lottery 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, 1999, for the purposes indicated:

Health and Wellness Initiatives

\$9,000,000

Municipal Transportation Infrastructure

\$130,000,000

Regional Coordination Initiative

\$10,000,000

Total Lottery Fund Payments

\$149,000,000

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Hon. Mr. Havelock, 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 49 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1998 (No. 3) — Hon. Mr. Havelock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Day

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:03 p.m. until Monday, November 30, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 26, 1998