

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 58

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Monday, November 30, 1998

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

# **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 762 Calgary and area residents regarding the disadvantaged position of renters in the current Calgary apartment market.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 160 Albertans expressing opposition to Bill 37, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1998.

#### **Notices of Motions**

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent importance, namely the urgent need for this Assembly to ratify the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child prior to the adjournment of the Fall Sitting, or failing this, to provide direction to the Standing Policy Committee of the Government Caucus as to how to proceed with such ratification.

# **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Woloshyn, Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services:

Consulting Engineers of Alberta, Annual Report 1997-98

Sessional Paper 938/98

Hon. Dr. Taylor, Minister Responsible for Science, Research and Information Technology:

Package containing: sunflower seeds, beef jerky, cashews, chocolate almonds, and a spittoon

Sessional Paper 939/98

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Act, cA-33, s32:

Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation, Annual Report 1997

Sessional Paper 940/98

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Securities Act, cS-6.1, s13.4(2):

Alberta Securities Commission (ASC), Annual Report 1998

Sessional Paper 941/98

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

19 letters from Lethbridge residents to Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, expressing concern regarding the wage disparity of care contracts for Lethbridge Family Services' DeCapo Program workers as funded through the Persons with Developmental Disabilities Board

Sessional Paper 942/98

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

Letter dated November 23, 1998, from Raymond Rivard, Legal pork producer, to Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, expressing concern for the financial position of pork producers and requesting financial assistance

Sessional Paper 943/98

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

Buffet World Claims Summary Report: Claims since September 30, 1993, dated October 28, 1998, describing claim number, type of claim, common themes, "spillages", and location of the file

Sessional Paper 944/98

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

Fact sheet dated November 30, 1998, entitled "Federal - Provincial Correspondence Re: United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child"

Sessional Paper 945/98

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

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Request for Access to Information form dated September 1, 1998, with attached correspondence regarding entities including: West Edmonton Mall Property Inc., Triple Five Corporation, Toronto Dominion Bank, Nomura Canada, TD Trust Company, and Alberta Treasury Branches (ATB)

Sessional Paper 946/98

Letter dated September 16, 1993, from Mr. Al N. Craig, Deputy Minister, Alberta Department of Economic Development and Tourism, to Mr. Richard Melchin, President, Three Sisters Resort Inc., regarding the Government's interest and support for the Bow-Canmore Corridor project with attached information regarding financial options for the development proposal

Sessional Paper 947/98

# Recognitions

Mr. Lougheed, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan: National Heritage Fair, to be held in Edmonton, July 12-19, 1999.

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark: Noel Leis, Minister's Senior Service Award nominee.

Ms O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: 2001 World Triathlon Championships, to be held in Edmonton, August 18-19, 2001.

Ms Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview: World Cup Swimming Championships, November 28-29, 1998.

Mrs. Laing, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow: Eryn Bulmer, Aquatic Federation of Canada Female Athlete of the Year.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: Edmonton hosting endeavors supported by volunteer efforts, and Volunteer Alberta.

Mr. Boutilier, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray: Mark Versfeld, Aquatic Federation of Canada Male Athlete of the Year.

# Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the urgent need for this Assembly to ratify the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child prior to the adjournment of the Fall Sitting, or failing this, to provide direction to the Standing Policy Committee of the Government Caucus as to how to proceed with such ratification.

A debate followed on urgency. The Speaker heard from: Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona; Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo; and Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was not in order.

# ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 49 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1998 (No. 3) — Hon. Mr. Day

#### 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 Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

- Bill 47 Protection from Second-hand Smoke in Public Buildings Amendment Act, 1998 Ms Fritz
- Bill 48 Election Amendment Act, 1998 Mr. McFarland

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 47 (Introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder on November 19, 1998) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 948/98

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, it was agreed at 5:16 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of the Whole, and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1998 — 8:00 P.M.

#### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 2 Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Havelock

A debate followed.

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, moved the Bill be amended as follows:

Section 8 is amended in the proposed section 14(4)(e) by adding "taxes under the Income Tax Act (Canada), taxes under the Alberta Income Tax Act, taxes under the Alberta Corporate Tax Act"

after:

"except".

A debate followed (on amendment).

The question being put, with Mrs. Gordon in the Chair, the amendment was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 6

MacDonald Olsen Sapers Nicol Paul Sloan

Against the amendment: 29

Boutilier Graham McClellan Broda Haley McFarland Burgener Hancock O'Neill Calahasen Havelock Paszkowski Cao Hlady Renner Coutts Jacques Shariff Jonson Stevens Day **Evans** Laing Strang Langevin Forsyth Yankowsky Friedel Mar

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 21 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Jonson

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 2 Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Havelock

Mrs. Laing, Acting Chairman of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by the Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 21, Part A (Introduced by the Hon. Minister of Health on November 19, 1998) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 949/98

Amendment to Bill 21, Part B through Part E (Introduced by the Hon. Minister of Health on November 19, 1998) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 950/98

Amendment to Bill 2 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 951/98

Amendment to Bill 2 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood) — Defeated Sessional Paper 952/98

Amendment to Bill 2 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood) — Defeated Sessional Paper 953/98

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:14~p.m. until Tuesday, December 1, 1998, at 1:30~p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Monday, November 30, 1998