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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Monday, December 7, 1998

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 1,284 Albertans requesting an historic designation for the Grand Theatre/Lougheed Building in Calgary.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 352 Calgary residents requesting an historic designation for the St. Martin de Porres School (commonly known as the Old St. Mary's Girls School) in Calgary.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 41 Albertans expressing opposition to Bill 37, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1998.

Mrs. Tarchuk, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, presented a petition from 26 constituents expressing opposition to the hunting of bears in the spring.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion to be moved Tuesday, December 8, 1998:

Be it resolved that debate on Third Reading of Bill 2, Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998, shall not be further adjourned.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly ask the Government of Canada to strongly urge the Government of Myanmar to release, immediately and unconditionally, all detained political leaders and political prisoners, and ensure their physical security and civil freedom to fully exercise their democratic rights and determine their future.

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to refer the membership, terms of reference, and method of consultation to be employed by the Premier's Blue Ribbon Panel on Health Care to a Select Special Committee of this Assembly.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Letter dated December 7, 1998, from Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, to Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government of Canada, expressing concern regarding the political situation in Burma (Myanmar)

Sessional Paper 1009/98

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education:

Letter dated December 3, 1998, from Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, in response to a question raised on December 2, 1998, regarding support of the Iqaluit Declaration by Alberta schools

Sessional Paper 1010/98

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education:

Response to Written Question No. WQ97 asked for by Dr. Massey on November 25, 1998:

Of the 12,000 written submissions, e-mails and records of telephone calls to the Private School Funding Task Force established in 1997, what was the breakdown of the numbers of those who made submissions in favour of increasing funding, those opposed to increasing funding, and those who were neutral on the issue?

Sessional Paper 1011/98

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

Letter dated November 30, 1998, from Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding recommendations for membership appointments to the Blue Ribbon Panel: Heather Smith, President, United Nurses of Alberta; Wendy Armstrong, Coordinator, Alberta Chapter of the Consumers Association of Canada; and Carol Kraychy, public member, Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons

Sessional Paper 1012/98

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Transportation and Utilities, made a statement regarding the establishment of a Joint Workforce Development Initiative, a strategic alliance between Alberta Transportation and Utilities and the highway construction industry to forecast the educational and workforce needs of the industry.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, commented on the statement.

Recognitions

Mr. Fischer, Hon. Member for Wainwright: heroic efforts of bravery by Sonja Bonhol to save three children in her care during a trailer home fire.

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark: St. Francis Xavier Catholic High School and Belmead Elementary School, West Edmonton Mall's Be True to Your School Campaign winners.

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West: Garrett Everson, 1998 J.P. Metras Trophy recipient for excellence in football performance.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar: Imperial Oil's Strathcona Refinery, 50 year anniversary and the charitable contribution of Imperial Oil Charitable Foundation.

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort: local and international charitable efforts by individual volunteers and volunteer organizations during the festive season.

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands: National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women, December 6, 1998, Citadel Theatre event in recognition of the day of mourning.

Ms O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: spirit of giving during the Christmas and Hanukkah season by charitable organizations and community members.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly ask the Government of Canada to strongly urge the Government of Myanmar to release, immediately and unconditionally, all detained political leaders and political prisoners, and ensure their physical security and civil freedom to fully exercise their democratic rights and determine their future.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to refer the membership, terms of reference, and method of consultation to be employed by the Premier's Blue Ribbon Panel on Health Care to a Select Special Committee of this Assembly.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 48 Election Amendment Act, 1998 — Mr. McFarland

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all words after the word "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 48, Election Amendment Act, 1998, be not now read a Third time, but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

Debate continued on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The question for Third reading of Bill 48, Election Amendment Act, 1998, being immediately put, the motion was agreed to.

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 48 Election Amendment Act, 1998 — Mr. McFarland

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

Bill 38 Public Health Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Jonson

A debate followed.

Ms Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all words after the word “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 38, Public Health Amendment Act, 1998, be not now read a Third time, but be recommitted to Committee of the Whole for the purposes of reconsidering the proposed section 22.02(1).

Debate continued on the amendment.

Mr. Dickson moved adjournment of the debate (on amendment), which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:28 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1998 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

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

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, requested that the question be now put pursuant to Standing Order 47(1).

Debate continued.

Mr. Renner moved adjournment of the debate. The question being put, with Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the motion was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 43

Amery	Haley	Nelson
Boutilier	Hancock	O'Neill
Calahasen	Havelock	Oberg
Cao	Hierath	Pham
Cardinal	Hlady	Renner
Clegg	Jacques	Severtson
Coutts	Johnson	Smith
Day	Jonson	Stevens
Doerksen	Klein	Strang
Dunford	Laing	Tannas
Evans	Lougheed	Trynchy
Fischer	Lund	West
Forsyth	Marz	Woloshyn
Friedel	McFarland	Zwozdesky
Fritz		

Against the motion: 12

Bonner	MacBeth	Paul
Dickson	MacDonald	Sapers
Gibbons	Nicol	Sloan
Leibovici	Olsen	Soetaert

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

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

39. Oral notice having been given Thursday, December 3, 1998, Hon. Mr. Havelock moved the following motion:

Be it resolved that further consideration of any or all of the resolutions, clauses, sections or titles of Bill 2, Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998, shall, when called, be the first business of the Committee and shall not be further postponed.

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

For the motion: 42

Amery	Fritz	McFarland
Boutilier	Haley	Nelson
Calahasen	Hancock	O'Neill
Cao	Havelock	Oberg
Cardinal	Hierath	Pham
Clegg	Hlady	Renner
Coutts	Jacques	Severtson
Day	Johnson	Smith
Doerksen	Jonson	Stevens
Dunford	Klein	Strang
Evans	Laing	Trynchy
Fischer	Lougheed	West
Forsyth	Lund	Woloshyn
Friedel	Marz	Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 12

Bonner	MacBeth	Paul
Dickson	MacDonald	Sapers
Gibbons	Nicol	Sloan
Leibovici	Olsen	Soetaert

Debate continued (on amendment introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood on December 1, 1998) that the Bill be amended as follows:

- A. Section 11 is amended by adding “, STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIRS” before “and”.
- B. Section 12 is amended by adding the following after proposed section 21.1:
21.2(1) Sections 19, 20 and 21(2) apply, with the necessary modifications, to the Chairs of Standing Policy Committees.
(2) For the purposes of sections 19(1) and 20(1) as they apply to the Chairs of Standing Policy Committees,
 - (a) with respect to a person who becomes a Chair of a Standing Policy Committee after this section comes into force, the period is 60 days after becoming the Chair of a Standing Policy Committee
 - (b) with respect to a person who is the Chair of a Standing Policy Committee on the coming into force of this section, the period is 60 days after the coming into force of this section,or such longer period as may be prescribed by the Ethics Commissioner.

Pursuant to Government Motion 39 and Standing Order 21(2), at 12:01 a.m., the question was immediately put on the amendment to Bill 2, Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998, which was defeated, with Mr. Tannas in the Chair. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 12

Bonner	MacBeth	Paul
Dickson	MacDonald	Sapers
Gibbons	Nicol	Sloan
Leibovici	Olsen	Soetaert

Against the amendment: 41

Amery	Fritz	Nelson
Boutilier	Haley	O'Neill
Calahasen	Hancock	Oberg
Cao	Havelock	Pham
Cardinal	Hierath	Renner
Clegg	Hlady	Severtson
Coutts	Jacques	Smith
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Evans	Lougheed	West
Fischer	Lund	Woloshyn
Forsyth	Marz	Zwozdesky
Friedel	McFarland	

Pursuant to Government Motion 39 and Standing Order 21(2), at 12:14 a.m., the question was immediately put on the remaining clauses of Bill 2, Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 39 and Standing Order 21(2), at 12:15 a.m., the question was immediately put on the title and preamble to Bill 2, Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 39 and Standing Order 21(2), at 12:16 a.m., the question was immediately put that Bill 2, Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998, be reported, which was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

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

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

Amendment to Bill 2 (Introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood on December 1, 1998) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 1013/98

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:18 a.m. Tuesday, December 8, 1998, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Monday, December 7, 1998