

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 4

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Monday, February 22, 1999

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

Presenting Petitions

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, presented a petition from 64 Albertans requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government that the section of Highway 13 from Camrose to Daysland be widened with work to commence in 1999 and completion in the year 2000.

On request by Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to consider increasing the funding of children in public and separate schools to a level that covers increased costs due to contract settlements, curriculum changes, technology, and aging schools.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

- Bill 9 Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 1999 Hon. Mr. Day
- Bill 203 Privatization Accountability Act Mrs. MacBeth
- Bill 204 Medicare Protection Act Ms Barrett
- Bill 205 School (Early Childhood Services) Amendment Act, 1999 Mr. Amery
- Bill 206 School (Grade One Entry Age) Amendment Act, 1999 Mr. Fischer
- Bill 207 Seniors Benefit Statutes Amendment Act, 1999 —Mrs. MacBeth
- Bill 208 Prevention of Youth Tobacco Use Act Mr. Johnson
- Bill 209 Alberta Wheat and Barley Board Act Mr. Hlady
- Bill 210 Charitable Donation of Food Act Mrs. Laing
- Bill 211 Workers' Compensation (Competitive Marketplace Review Committee)
 Amendment Act, 1999 Mr. Pham
- Bill 212 Gaming and Liquor Amendment Act, 1999 Mr. McFarland
- Bill 213 Alberta Advisory Council on Women's Health Act Mrs. Fritz
- Bill 214 Independent Advocate for Children Act Mrs. Sloan
- Bill 215 Employment Standards (Parental Leave) Amendment Act, 1999 Mr. Cao
- Bill 216 Endangered Species and Habitats Protection Act Dr. Pannu
- Bill 217 School (Students' Code of Conduct) Amendment Act, 1999 Mr. Coutts
- Bill 218 Chronic Disease Prescription Drug Act Mr. Dickson
- Bill 219 Insurance (Gender Premium Equity) Amendment Act, 1999 Mrs. O'Neill
- Bill 220 Motor Vehicle Administration Amendment Act, 1999 Mrs. Forsyth

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated February 22, 1999, from Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding only three Members of the Official Opposition being offered Official Observer status at the Health Summit to be held February 25-27, 1999 in Calgary, with attached list of all Liberal Opposition Members

Sessional Paper 33/99

Letter dated February 17, 1999, from Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, regarding only three Members of the Official Opposition being offered Official Observer status at the Health Summit to be held February 25-27, 1999 in Calgary, with attached list of all Liberal Opposition Members

Sessional Paper 34/99

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

3 e-mail messages dated February 15, 1999, from Lindsey Baceda and Tracie Baceda, expressing support for legislation prohibiting impaired driving, as personally experienced through the loss of a family member in a vehicle accident which occurred October 3, 1998

Sessional Paper 35/99

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

Letter dated February 18, 1999, from Fred D. Holtslag, President, Alberta Pine Shakes Homeowners Association, to the St. Albert Gazette regarding information presented in a published letter from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour, published in the February 17, 1999 issue

Sessional Paper 36/99

Recognitions

Mr. Herard, Hon. Member for Calgary-Egmont: 100th graduate of the Alberta Adolescent Recovery Centre (AARC) substance abuse program.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: Black History Month, February 1999, and efforts by the National Black Coalition of Canada (NBCC).

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek: Hindi Language Resource Centre opening, February 20, 1999, and the Annual India Day, February 21, 1999.

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark: Aurora School and efforts by the library committee.

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: Random Acts of Kindness, February 8-14, 1999, efforts by Colleen Ring and Debbie Riopel for its creation, and the first World Kindness Day, November 13, 2000.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo: Calgary school council members and their strong advocacy for excellence in public education.

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 2 Dairy Industry Act — Mr. Klapstein

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

Bill 1 Fiscal Responsibility Act — Hon. Mr. Klein

A debate followed.

Ms Barrett moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 3 Agriculture Financial Services Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Severtson

A debate followed.

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

Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech (Day 2)

Moved by Mrs. Fritz and seconded by Mr. Strang:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To His Honour Mr. H. A. "Bud" Olson, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Hon. Ms Evans moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:17 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

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Bill 4 Surface Rights Amendment Act, 1999 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Stelmach

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A debate followed.

Mrs. Sloan moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:52 p.m. until Tuesday, February 23, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Monday, February 22, 1999