



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 5

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Tuesday, February 23, 1999

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

Reading and Receiving Petitions

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 funding of children in our public and separate schools to a level that covers increased costs due to contract settlements, curriculum changes, technology, and aging schools.

Notices of Motions

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Wednesday, February 24, 1999:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Letter dated February 16, 1999, from Lyle S.R. Kanee, Alberta Section, Canadian Association of Labour Lawyers (CALL), to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding appointments to the Alberta Labour Relations Board

Sessional Paper 37/99

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

Building Confidence in Our Health System for the Future: Report of the Health System Funding Review Committee, produced by Alberta Health, dated August 31, 1998

Sessional Paper 38/99

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated February 22, 1999, from Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, to Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, regarding MLA (Member of the Legislative Assembly) attendance at the Health Summit to be held in Calgary, February 25-27, 1999

Sessional Paper 39/99

1998 Survey About Health and the Health System in Alberta, conducted by the Population Research Laboratory, University of Alberta, report prepared by Herbert C. Northcott, Ph.D., Social Science Consulting, prepared for Alberta Health, dated June 1998

Sessional Paper 40/99

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Health System Sustainability - Workshops and Discussion Papers: Companion Document to the 1998 Annual Report Card to the Legislature, produced by the Provincial Health Council of Alberta, dated October 1998

Sessional Paper 41/99

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood:

Strengthening the Circle: What Aboriginal Albertans Say About Their Health, produced by Alberta Health, dated April 1995

Sessional Paper 42/99

Accountability - An Action on Health Initiative: Achieving Accountability in Alberta's Health System, produced by Alberta Health, dated November 1998

Sessional Paper 43/99

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

Turning Points: Recommendations Leading to True Economies and Effective Service in Alberta's New Health Care System, presented by the Health Care Unions of Alberta, dated March 1994

Sessional Paper 44/99

Letter dated July 23, 1997, from the Marketing Manager/Technical Services, Majestic Forest Products Corp., to Mr. Allen, Technical Services, Alberta Labour, expressing concern regarding the pine shake roofing system and standards

Sessional Paper 45/99

Mrs. Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Taking Stock: A Report on the Risks to Consumers (And Their Employers) from Current Health System Reform in Alberta, produced by the Consumers' Association of Canada (Alberta), Final Draft dated January 6, 1996

Sessional Paper 46/99

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

Letter dated February 22, 1999, from Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, to Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, expressing concern that only three Members of the Official Opposition will receive accreditation as observers at the Health Summit to be held in Calgary, February 25-27, 1999

Sessional Paper 47/99

Mental Health in Alberta: Issues and Recommendations, produced by the Provincial Health Council of Alberta, dated December 1998

Sessional Paper 48/99

Funding Regional Health Services in Alberta: A Report by the Health Services Funding Advisory Committee, dated May 28, 1996

Sessional Paper 49/99

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

Towards a Core Health Services Framework for Alberta: Consultants' Report, produced by C.A. MacDonald & Associates and Diane McAmmond & Associates, dated August 13, 1997

Sessional Paper 50/99

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Call for Input: MLA (Members of the Legislative Assembly) Committee on the Review of Health Region Boundaries, dated July 1997

Sessional Paper 51/99

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

Rural Health Care Issues Forums: Summary Report, produced by the Alberta Healthcare Association, dated August 1993

Sessional Paper 52/99

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

Letter dated February 9, 1999, from Marie-Jeanne (M-J) Anctil-Zandbeek to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, expressing concern regarding the limitations of regionalization and the need for more long term and palliative care beds, as experienced by her grandfather Raoul Bergevin

Sessional Paper 53/99

Letter dated February 3, 1999, from Mr. Broda, Chair, Long Term Care Review, Policy Advisory Committee, to Marie-Jeanne (M-J) Anctil-Zandbeek in response to concerns expressed regarding her grandfather Raoul Bergevin's care, with a copy of the consultation questionnaire and Long Term Care Review Fact Sheet

Sessional Paper 54/99

Long Term Care Issues Forum: Table Discussion Comments and Issues Forum Evaluation for Meetings held June 17, 1993 in Lacombe, Alberta, and February 12, 1993 in Edmonton, Alberta, produced by the Alberta Healthcare Association

Sessional Paper 55/99

Ms Paul, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs:

Report on the Adequacy of Measures and Standards for Health Reform - Findings and Recommendations: Companion Document to the 1998 Annual Report Card to the Legislature, produced by the Provincial Health Council of Alberta, dated October 1998

Sessional Paper 56/99

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods:

You Told Us Where it Hurts - What Albertans Said About Their Health Care System: A Summary of Comments Received During the Alberta Medical Association's 1995 Public Awareness Campaign, produced by the Alberta Medical Association, dated February 14, 1996

Sessional Paper 57/99

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

Quality of Care: Forming Partnerships for Healthier Albertans, prepared by the Alberta Partnership for Health, dated June 27, 1996

Sessional Paper 58/99

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

Starting Points: Recommendations for Creating A More Accountable and Affordable Health System, produced by the Alberta Health Planning Secretariat, dated December 1993

Sessional Paper 59/99

Members' Statements

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, made a statement regarding Lunar New Year traditions and celebrations, and recognizing 1999 as the Chinese Year of the Rabbit and the Vietnamese Year of the Cat.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding Alberta Department of Labour's shift from delivery of services to issues and public policy management, and the failure of voluntary compliance measures to induce Buffet World Inc. to adhere to employment standards.

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement congratulating KidsOp (Children's Opera Society of Alberta) for their international partnering success in undertaking productions, and for receiving second place for innovative Internet projects at the 1999 Cable and Wireless Childnet International Awards ceremony held in Sydney, Australia, February 18, 1999.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 201 Tenancies Statutes Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Strang

On the amendment introduced by Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning on February 17, 1999, that the motion be amended to read:

That Bill 201, Tenancies Statutes Amendment Act, 1999, be not now read a Second time because the Legislative Assembly believes that a comprehensive review of landlord and tenant legislation is required, involving extensive consultation with concerned stakeholders, before proceeding with this Bill.

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

For the amendment: 13

Barrett	MacBeth	Olsen
Carlson	MacDonald	Pannu
Dickson	Massey	Soetaert
Gibbons	Nicol	White
Leibovici		

Against the amendment: 49

Amery	Graham	Melchin
Boutilier	Haley	Nelson
Broda	Hancock	O'Neill
Burgener	Havelock	Oberg
Calahasen	Herard	Pham
Cao	Hierath	Renner
Cardinal	Hlady	Severtson
Coutts	Johnson	Smith
Day	Jonson	Stevens
Doerksen	Klapstein	Strang
Ducharme	Kryczka	Tannas
Evans	Laing	Tarchuk
Fischer	Langevin	Thurber
Forsyth	Lougheed	West
Friedel	Marz	Woloshyn
Fritz	McFarland	Yankowsky
Gordon		

Debate continued.

The question being put, the motion for Second reading of Bill 201, Tenancies Statutes Amendment Act, 1999, was defeated.

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

Bill 202 Farming Practices Protection Statutes Amendment Act, 1999 —
Mr. Thurber

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(b), debate adjourned, Dr. Nicol speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Mr. Coutts:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake a review of all legislation concerning mental health patients in Alberta to determine if legislating community treatment orders would benefit mental health patients, and especially those with psychotic illnesses who respond well to medication, but who have a pattern of non-compliance following discharge.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(4), the question being put, the motion was agreed to.

At 4:26 p.m. Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(2) to proceed to Government Motions.

Government Motions

7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns to recess the current sitting of the Third Session of the 24th Legislature, it shall stand adjourned until a time and date, as determined by the Speaker after consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

6. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns on Thursday, April 1, 1999, at the regular hour of 5:30 p.m., it shall stand adjourned for three sitting days until Monday, April 12, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:25 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1999 — 8:00 P.M.

Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech (Day 3)

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.

During debate, Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, tabled the following:

E-mail message dated February 18, 1999, from Jeremy Neufeld to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing support for the Special Places 2000 policy initiative

Sessional Paper 60/99

Debate continued.

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

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 1 Fiscal Responsibility Act — Hon. Mr. Klein

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

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A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:45 p.m. until Wednesday, February 24, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, February 23, 1999