



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 23

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

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Thursday, March 25, 1999

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

**Presenting Petitions**

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 105 Albertans requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, presented a petition from 100 Edmonton and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, presented a petition from 99 Edmonton and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, presented a petition from 101 Edmonton and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

## **Notices of Motions**

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

That the Legislative Assembly recognize the service of Albertans in the present North Atlantic Treaty Organization action in the former Yugoslavia.

## **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 21 Irrigation Districts Act — Mr. Stevens

Bill 22 Health Professions Act — Mr. Renner

Bill 23 Pharmacy and Drug Act — Mrs. Tarchuk

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the following Bills were placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 21 Irrigation Districts Act — Mr. Stevens

Bill 22 Health Professions Act — Mr. Renner

Bill 23 Pharmacy and Drug Act — Mrs. Tarchuk

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection:

Comparison of Alberta's Environmental Standards to Those of Other North American Jurisdictions, produced by Alberta Environmental Protection, dated March 24, 1999

Sessional Paper 371/99

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Letter dated March 24, 1999, from Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, requesting a meeting with the Superintendent of Edmonton Public Schools, trustees, parent councils, and any interested citizens to discuss the state of public education in Alberta

Sessional Paper 372/99

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Mental Health Act, cM-13.1, s47:

Mental Health Patient Advocate Office, Annual Report 1998

Sessional Paper 373/99

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health:

Alberta Cancer Board, Annual Report 1997-98 entitled "Building Partnerships"  
Sessional Paper 374/99

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

Fact sheet entitled "Environmental Protection: Key Performance Measures,"  
highlighting the surface water quality index  
Sessional Paper 375/99

Fact sheet entitled "Environmental Protection: Ministry Manpower Authorization,  
Full-time Equivalent Employment," New Democrat Opposition Backgrounder,  
dated March 25, 1999  
Sessional Paper 376/99

Northern River Basins Study: Report to the Ministers 1996, excerpt pages 129,  
136, 153 and 154, highlighting key contaminant issues and summary of  
cumulative environmental effects  
Sessional Paper 377/99

The Law of Nature - In Response to Bill 15: The Natural Heritage Act, produced  
by Staff Counsel, Environmental Law Centre, dated March 22, 1999  
Sessional Paper 378/99

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

News release dated March 24, 1999, entitled "\$600M Education Spending  
Increase 1999-2002 - Lets Have a Look," produced by S.P.E.A.K. (Support  
Public Education Act for Kids)  
Sessional Paper 379/99

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Alberta Traditional Chinese Medical Science and Acupuncture Association, news  
releases, position statement and correspondence regarding the exclusion of  
Acupuncturists from the Health Summit '99  
Sessional Paper 380/99

Long Term Care Review Public Consultation Meeting: Results Report, produced  
by the Central Alberta Council on Aging, David Thompson Health Region, and  
facilitated by Terry Vaughan, held in Red Deer on January 11, 1999  
Sessional Paper 381/99

Health Care of the Elderly in Central Alberta, produced by the Central Alberta  
Council on Aging, dated January 1997  
Sessional Paper 382/99

The Status of Brain Injury in Alberta: Incidence, Support and Services, A  
Presentation to the Standing Policy Committee on Health Planning, February 2,  
1999, submitted by the Brain Injury Association of Alberta  
Sessional Paper 383/99

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter dated March 22, 1999, from Donna Tingley, Executive Director, Environmental Law Centre, to Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection, regarding a legal analysis of Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act, prepared by the Environmental Law Centre's legal staff

Sessional Paper 384/99

Letter dated March 5, 1999, from Sarah Morrison to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act

Sessional Paper 385/99

E-mail message dated March 23, 1999, from Serena Rose, resident of Wolfville Nova Scotia, to Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, and Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act

Sessional Paper 386/99

Letter dated March 24, 1999, from Jackie Powell to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing disagreement with the provisions of Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act, with attached newspaper articles entitled "Province's efforts receive miserable mark" and "Destructive policies must be stopped"

Sessional Paper 387/99

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

YMCA Edmonton, Annual Report 1998 entitled "Strong Kids, Strong Families, Strong Communities," with attached pamphlet entitled "Edmonton YMCA Foundation: Building Tomorrow Together" and YMCA Edmonton publication entitled "Development," Winter 1999 issue

Sessional Paper 388/99

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

Letter dated March 12, 1999, from Wm. F. Young to Mayor Bill Smith and Edmonton Councillors, expressing opposition regarding Edmonton's Transportation Plan utilization of 75th Street and 50th Street and suggesting public transportation alternatives

Sessional Paper 389/99

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

Letter dated February 3, 1999, from Mr. and Mrs. John J. de Groot to Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, regarding discrepancies within the health care system relating to insulin treatments

Sessional Paper 390/99

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

Letter dated March 24, 1999, from Joan Cunningham, Principal, St. Monica Catholic Primary School, to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, expressing concerns regarding a lack of salary increases for teachers and principals  
Sessional Paper 391/99

## **Members' Statements**

Ms Graham, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, read a letter to the Members to be sent to Brigadier General Don Ross from Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, expressing best wishes on behalf of the Government to members of the Canadian Armed Forces currently serving in the NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) peace effort in Yugoslavia.

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, made a statement regarding economic and community benefits experienced due to the expansion of Edmonton Garrison Griesbach Base (Canadian Forces Base Edmonton), and the social implications of their community efforts and contributions.

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement recognizing Project Russia, a humanitarian aid initiative organized by Dr. Wade Pike and supported by voluntary efforts from numerous agencies and businesses to assist Yakutsk region during a difficult economic period.

## **Projected Government Business**

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Dickson, 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. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of March 29 to April 1, 1999:

Monday, March 29	Aft.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b>
		<b>Second Reading</b>
		Bills 17, 20
		<b>Committee of the Whole</b>
		Bills 14, 18
		<b>Third Reading</b>
		And as per Order Paper

- Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**  
**Committee of Supply**  
Main Estimates Days 13 and 14  
**Subcommittees**  
(D) Science, Research and  
Information Technology  
(Assembly)  
(Day 13, Main Estimates)  
(C) Public Works, Supply and  
Services (Room 512,  
Legislature Building)  
(Day 14, Main Estimates)  
And as per Order Paper
- Tuesday, March 30 (4:30) - **Government Bills and Orders**  
**Committee of Supply**  
Main Estimates  
Reporting: Executive Council  
**Second Reading**  
Bills 17, 20  
And as per Order Paper
- Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**  
**Committee of Supply**  
Main Estimates Day 15  
Reporting: Intergovernmental and  
Aboriginal Affairs; Justice and  
Attorney General; Energy  
**Second Reading**  
And as per Order Paper
- Wednesday, March 31 Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**  
**Committee of Supply**  
Main Estimates Day 16  
Reporting: Treasury; Labour;  
Agriculture, Food and Rural  
Development; Economic  
Development

**Second Reading**

And as per Order Paper

Thursday, April 1

Aft. - **Government Bills and Orders**

**Committee of Supply**

Official Opposition Designation  
for Thursday (Day 17,  
Main Estimates)

And as per Order Paper

**Motions Under Standing Order 40**

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

That the Legislative Assembly recognize the service of Albertans in the present North Atlantic Treaty Organization action in the former Yugoslavia.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**Committee of Supply** (Day 12 — Main Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Clegg reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Justice and Attorney General, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

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

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:28 p.m. until Monday, March 29, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Thursday, March 25, 1999