



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 28

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

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Monday, April 12, 1999

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

### **Presenting Petitions**

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, presented a petition from 32 Edmonton and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, presented a petition from 100 Albertans requesting public consultations involving existing clients prior to any changes affecting the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) Program.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 135 St. Albert and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, presented a petition from 880 Albertans expressing support for legislation to halt the harvesting of grizzly bears in Alberta.

Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, presented a petition from 81 St. Albert and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, presented a petition from 21 Edson and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development:

Letter dated April 8, 1999, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, to the Marlowe household in response to a letter dated March 6, 1999 and tabled March 16, 1999, from the Marlowe household to Members of the Legislative Assembly, expressing support for Bill 207, Seniors Benefit Statutes Amendment Act, 1999

Sessional Paper 463/99

Information bulletin dated April 12, 1999, entitled "Tolerance urged on Holocaust Remembrance Day," being commemorated on April 13, 1999

Sessional Paper 464/99

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

Letter dated April 7, 1999, from John E. Younie, Campbelltown School, to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, expressing concern regarding Bill 20, School Amendment Act, 1999, and in particular the provision abolishing the Board of Reference, with attached petition signed by 31 Albertans and a second petition signed by 23 staff members of Vegreville Composite High School

Sessional Paper 465/99

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated March 24, 1999, from Dr. Brock Dundas, President, Calgary Regional Medical Staff Association (CRMSA), to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing strong objections to Bill 7, Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 1999

Sessional Paper 466/99

Letter dated March 28, 1999, from Sandy J. Murray, Family Physician, to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, expressing strong objections to, and requesting the withdrawal of, Bill 7, Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 1999

Sessional Paper 467/99

Position paper dated March 23, 1999, entitled "Northern River Basin - Human Health Monitoring Program: A Management Committee Member's Views," prepared by Sally Ann Ulfsten

Sessional Paper 468/99

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

5 letters dated February 23, 1999 to March 8, 1999, from concerned parents: Sharon Holmes, Debbie and Rob Elliott, Bac and Anna Truong, Claude Boocock, and Kathy Manyk to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier; Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education; and Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing concern regarding the current level of education funding

Sessional Paper 469/99

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

Petition dated April 8, 1999, signed by 31 Albertans expressing concern regarding Bill 20, School Amendment Act, 1999, and in particular the provision abolishing the Board of Reference

Sessional Paper 470/99

Letter dated April 8, 1999, from William S. Fraser to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, expressing concern regarding Bill 20, School Amendment Act, 1999, and in particular the provision abolishing the Board of Reference and the wording of Section 3.2

Sessional Paper 471/99

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood:

5 letters dated February 24, 1999 to March 2, 1999, from concerned parents: Steve Walker, Jackie Ristesund, Gordon Nelson, Cindy Mather Van Camp, and Joan Fix to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, expressing concern regarding the current level of education funding

Sessional Paper 472/99

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

Fax dated February 26, 1999, from Dave Kent to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding the current level of education funding

Sessional Paper 473/99

Letter dated March 3, 1999, from Dale Karpluk to Mr. Severtson, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, and Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Education and Training, expressing concern regarding the current level of funding to public education

Sessional Paper 474/99

Letter dated March 8, 1999, from Barb Tarnowski, concerned parent, to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, expressing concern regarding the current level of funding to public education

Sessional Paper 475/99

Letter dated February 28, 1999, from Paula Nolan, concerned parent, to Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, expressing concern regarding the current level of education funding

Sessional Paper 476/99

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

Disabling AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped): A Critical Analysis and Contrasting Views on the Alberta Government's Review of the AISH and Assured Support Programs, produced by the Official Opposition  
Sessional Paper 477/99

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education:

News release dated April 6, 1999, entitled "And the finalists for the 1999 Excellence in Teaching Awards are...", with attached listing of the 125 finalists, produced by Alberta Education

Sessional Paper 478/99

Letter dated April 12, 1999, from Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, to students and teachers, Austin O'Brien High School, expressing appreciation on behalf of the Government for efforts to raise funds for the Kosovar refugees

Sessional Paper 479/99

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

Feed the Children: A Report on Child Hunger in Calgary, produced by Feeding Calgary's Children A Committee of Social Service, Education, Health and Volunteer Agencies, dated Spring 1999

Sessional Paper 480/99

Letter dated March 10, 1999, from Colleen Connelly, President, Calgary Council of Home and School Associations, to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, regarding textbook funding and the fundraising efforts by member schools

Sessional Paper 481/99

Fax dated March 9, 1999, from Eva-Lynn Probert, to Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing concerns of John Ware Junior High School parents regarding the funding allocation to Calgary public schools and the need for fundraising efforts

Sessional Paper 482/99

3 letters dated February 3, 1999 to March 9, 1999, from concerned parents: Barbara Bell, Mr. and Mrs. A. McCully, and Evan Johnson to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, expressing concern regarding the funding allocation to Calgary public schools and Alberta's public school system

Sessional Paper 483/99

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

Letter dated April 6, 1999, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour, regarding the review process for the Power Engineers' Regulation

Sessional Paper 484/99

Discussion paper entitled "A Discussion of Issues: Power Engineers' Regulation Under the Safety Codes Act," produced by Bruce Allen, Technical and Safety Services, Alberta Labour

Sessional Paper 485/99

## **Recognitions**

Mr. Coutts, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod: Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister, and the Historical Resources Division of the Department of Community Development, in coordination with the Provincial Archives for the Legislature Pedway display depicting 125 years of R.C.M.P. (Royal Canadian Mounted Police) service.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: Murray Billet, constituent and the resigning spokesperson for GALA (Gay and Lesbian Alliance) for many years of community activism and advocacy for human rights.

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort: A.V. Roe Canada Heritage Museum opening as celebrated at an April 11, 1999 function, exhibiting the history of the aerospace industry in Canada with volunteer efforts for initiating the Arrow 2000 Project.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods: Sultana Qureshi, Garfield Weston Scholarship recipient for her high academic achievements and community service.

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek: Inter-Professional Health Sciences Education Program, University of Alberta, initiative launched April 12, 1999, to educate health professionals in team approaches for an integrated health system as guided by the University of Alberta's Coordinating Council of Health Sciences.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo: passing away of Wilbur Fee Bowker on March 30, 1999, husband of Marjorie Bowker, retired Family Court Judge, the former Dean of the Faculty of Law, University of Alberta, and the former Director of the Alberta Law Reform Institute.

## **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 21 Irrigation Districts Act — Mr. Stevens

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

Bill 24 Traffic Safety Act — Hon. Mr. Paszkowski

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, it was agreed at 5:29 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply, and the Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 1999 — 8:00 P.M.

## **Committee of Supply** (Day 18 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2000, for the Department and purposes indicated:

### **Advanced Education and Career Development**

\$1,374,742,000	Operating Expense and Capital Investment
\$66,000,000	Non-Budgetary Disbursements

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions (reported from the Designated Supply Subcommittees), reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2000, for the Departments and purposes indicated:

### **Education**

\$1,966,815,000	Operating Expense and Capital Investment
\$8,000,000	Non-budgetary Disbursements

### **Family and Social Services**

\$1,469,359,000	Operating Expense and Capital Investment
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## **Health**

\$4,828,870,000    Operating Expense and Capital Investment

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to table copies of an amendment proposed by Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, during Committee of Supply consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Health:

Amendment to the Estimates of the Department of Health (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 486/99

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to table copies of an amendment proposed by Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, during Committee of Supply consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Education:

Amendment to the Estimates of the Department of Education (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 487/99

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to table copies of an amendment proposed by Mrs. Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, during Committee of Supply consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Family and Social Services:

Amendment to the Estimates of the Department of Family and Social Services (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 488/99

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

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 24 Traffic Safety Act — Hon. Mr. Paszkowski

A debate followed.

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

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:21 p.m. until Tuesday, April 13, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Monday, April 12, 1999