



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 33

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

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Tuesday, April 20, 1999

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

### **Presenting Petitions**

Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, presented a petition from 19 constituents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mrs. Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, presented a petition from 230 Edmonton and area residents 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 112 Edmonton and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 61 Lethbridge, Cardston, Coaldale and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

## 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, April 21, 1999:

Written Questions:	WQ197, WQ198, WQ199, WQ204.
Motions for Returns:	MR142, MR143, MR145, MR146, MR147, MR148, MR149, MR150, MR157, MR158, MR163, MR165, MR168, MR169, MR180, MR181, MR182, MR184, MR185, MR186, MR194, MR195, MR200, MR201, MR202, MR203, MR205.

## Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Letter dated April 12, 1999, from Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, to Honourable Anne McLellan, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, expressing support for amendments to the Criminal Code with respect to breaking and entering of residential premises and the creation of a new offence for home invasion

Sessional Paper 555/99

Hon. Mr. Woloshyn, Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services, pursuant to the Architects Act, cA-44.1, s6(4):

Alberta Association of Architects, Annual Report 1998

Sessional Paper 556/99

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development:

Responses to questions raised on April 13, 1999, Department of Community Development, 1999-2000 Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 557/99

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

News release dated April 19, 1999, entitled "More Than Enough Teacher Reductions Already," produced by the Calgary Public Teachers, Local No. 38, Alberta Teachers Association (ATA)

Sessional Paper 558/99

Factsheet entitled "Calgary Board of Education: Summary of Official Enrolments for Provincial Grants, Last Ten Years (Unaudited)," depicting fiscal years 1989 to 1998, sources utilized: Financial Services Department Grant Claims and Financial Services Division, Alberta Education

Sessional Paper 559/99

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Arsenic in Groundwater in the Cold Lake Area: A Report Submitted to Stop and Tell Our Politicians (STOP), by Jerome O. Nriagu, Ph.D., Professor and Director, Environmental Health Sciences Program, Department of Environmental and Industrial Health, School of Public Health, University of Michigan, dated November 22, 1998

Sessional Paper 560/99

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

Spruce Grove Examiner advertisement entitled "Change in Community Physical Therapy Coverage for Out-of-Region Residents," published April 9, 1999, page 34, produced by Capital Health

Sessional Paper 561/99

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated April 12, 1999, from Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, to Equal=Alberta (Edmonton) in response to a March 23, 1999 letter regarding issues for same sex couples in Alberta, and declining an invitation for a meeting due to time constraints

Sessional Paper 562/99

Strathcona Place Senior Citizen Centre, Services and Recreation for Seniors, monthly newsletter entitled "Focus," dated April 1999

Sessional Paper 563/99

Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Family and Social Services:

Connecting Voices: Creating Choices, publication of the Prostitution Awareness and Action Foundation of Edmonton, issue number one, dated 1999

Sessional Paper 564/99

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

École Maurice-Lavallée: Livret d'information (information booklet), produced by the Conseil scolaire régional du Centre-Nord

Sessional Paper 565/99

La Griffe: Le journal étudiant EML (École Maurice-Lavallée), issue number 6, février (February) 1999, produced by the Conseil scolaire régional du Centre-Nord

Sessional Paper 566/99

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated April 8, 1999, from W.A. (Bill) Tymchuk to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, regarding his personal health care experience in requiring services relating to two Transient Ischemic Attacks (TIAs), with attached letter dated October 18, 1998, from W.A. (Bill) Tymchuk to Mrs. Seidel regarding a personal health care experience in requiring services relating to major surgery to remove an aneurism of the aorta

Sessional Paper 567/99

Letter dated April 13, 1999, from 34 teachers employed at St. Francis Xavier to Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, expressing opposition to the proposed amendments of Bill 20, School Amendment Act, 1999 which removes the statutory protection and appeal mechanism found in the School Act through the Board of Reference

Sessional Paper 568/99

## **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, made a statement recognizing the signing of the Alberta/Métis Nation of Alberta Association Framework Agreement on April 20, 1999, a joint partnership initiative between the Métis Nation Association of Alberta (MNAA) and the Government of Alberta.

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, commented on the statement.

## **Members' Statements**

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement on behalf of Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, recognizing the 7th Annual Beaverhill Lake Snow Goose Festival held in Tofield on April 24-25, 1999.

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, made a statement regarding the diminished focus on women's issues by the Government with the abolishment of the Alberta Advisory Council on Women's Issues, and budget funding cutbacks affecting women such as the possible closure of the Options for Women organization.

Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement recognizing National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week, April 18-25, 1999, and the need to increase public awareness of the gift of life through donation.

## **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 205 School (Early Childhood Services) Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Amery

A debate followed.

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

#### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

**508.** Moved by Ms Olsen:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a benchmark of one police officer for every 525 Albertans.

A debate followed.

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

**509.** Moved by Mr. Marz:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish effective accountability measures within the health care system through mechanisms at the point of health service access, involving both the consumer and provider.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(c), debate adjourned, Ms Leibovici speaking.

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 27 Regulated Forestry Profession Act — Mr. Strang

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:20 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1999 — 8:00 P.M.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 33 Appropriation Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Day

A debate followed.

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

### **Committee of the Whole**

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported with some amendments:

Bill 18 Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Klapstein

Bill 21 Irrigation Districts Act — Mr. Stevens

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 14 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Klapstein

Dr. Massey, Acting Chairman of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by the Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 18 (Hon. Member for Leduc) — Agreed to  
Sessional Paper 569/99

Amendment to Bill 21 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore) — Agreed to  
Sessional Paper 570/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 21 introduced by the Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore (Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 572/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 21 introduced by the Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore (Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 573/99

Amendment to Bill 14 (Hon. Member for Leduc) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 571/99

## **Second Reading**

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

Bill 20 School Amendment Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Mar

A debate followed.

During debate, Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, tabled the following:

78 letters from Albertans to Members of the Legislative Assembly requesting increased support for public education to levels which will cover increased costs

Sessional Paper 574/99

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

Bill 20 School Amendment Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Bill 33 Appropriation Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Day

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:00 p.m. until Wednesday, April 21, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, April 20, 1999