



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 36

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Monday, April 26, 1999

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member, Mr. Roy Davidson, Hon. Member for Three Hills, 1964 to 1967, who passed away on April 25, 1999.

Presenting Petitions

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

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, presented a petition from 102 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, presented a petition from 113 Edmonton and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 40 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 11 constituents regarding the disadvantaged position of renters in the current Calgary apartment market, and requesting affordable accommodation available to all Albertans.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 76 Albertans expressing opposition to Bill 37, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 (24th Legislature, 2nd Session).

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, presented a petition from 115 Edmonton and area residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, the following petition was read and received:

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

On request by Mrs. Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to hold widespread public hearings involving as many existing clients as want to be heard before making any changes to the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Program.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 35 Government Fees and Charges Review Act — Hon. Mr. Day

Bill 36 Gaming and Liquor Amendment Act, 1999 — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Bill 37 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Friedel

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

Bill 37 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Friedel

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Response to Written Question No. WQ62 asked for by Ms Olsen on March 24, 1999:

What *aggregate* expenditures were made to, *and on behalf of, the members of* the Judicial Compensation Commission in the period January 1, 1998 to February 16, 1999?

Sessional Paper 593/99

Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, pursuant to the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, cM-5.1, s14(2):

Alberta Agricultural Products Marketing Council, Annual Report 1997-98

Sessional Paper 594/99

Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development:

Office of the Farmers' Advocate of Alberta, Annual Report 1998

Sessional Paper 595/99

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

Fact sheet detailing salary figures for a Calgary Public School teacher with four years of training and eleven or more years of teaching experience for the years 1992 to 1998

Sessional Paper 596/99

Alberta Hansard dated December 2, 1998, excerpt pages 2281 to 2290, regarding Bill 219, Education Employment Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1998

Sessional Paper 597/99

Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection:

Response to Written Question No. WQ30 asked for by Mr. White on March 3, 1999:

How many forest officers, *with the working title or classification of Forest Officer, Forester, Agrologist, and Manager in Land and Forest Service*, were employed by Alberta Environmental Protection on April 1, of each year, from 1992 to 1998?

Sessional Paper 598/99

Response to Written Question No. WQ32 asked for by Mr. White on March 3, 1999:

Of the money collected under the U.S. lumber countervail agreement since 1995, how much has the Federal Government returned to the Province each year, how was the money utilized by the Province and how much was used specifically for the development of forest product markets outside the United States?

Sessional Paper 599/99

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead:

Responses to questions raised on April 20, 1999, regarding Bill 27, Regulated Forestry Profession Act, Second reading debate

Sessional Paper 600/99

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Insurance Act, cI-5, s344(2):

Alberta Automobile Insurance Board, Annual Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1998

Sessional Paper 601/99

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter undated from Thea Paap to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing strong opposition to private for-profit hospitals

Sessional Paper 602/99

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

Letter dated April 13, 1999, from Mr. Brian Staples, Acting Chair, SALT (Seniors' Action and Liaison Team), to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding the deterioration of the Alberta medical care system, and in particular the Blue Ribbon Panel Report regarding Bill 37, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1998 (24th Legislature, 2nd Session)

Sessional Paper 603/99

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

Report detailing fees, licenses, premiums and other charges entitled "Taxes, Taxes, Taxes, and Klein, Klein, Klein," covering the years 1992-93 to 1999-2000

Sessional Paper 604/99

News release dated April 23, 1999, entitled "User Fees - A Tax By Any Other Name!" with attached fact sheet entitled "Official Opposition Recommendations on User Fees and Charges," produced by the Alberta Liberal Caucus, Official Opposition

Sessional Paper 605/99

Recognitions

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek: Sikh community celebrating the 300 year anniversary of Khalsa.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: Danielle Aubry, Top 40 Under 40 Award recipient, national awards sponsored by the Caldwell Partnership to be celebrated in Toronto on April 29, 1999.

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: four recipients of the Leaders of Tomorrow Award and the four finalists of the Volunteer Citizen of the Year Award, as recognized in St. Albert on April 24, 1999.

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford: Aaron Moser and the Aaron Moser Foundation volunteers for fundraising efforts.

Mr. Hlady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View: 65th anniversary of the Ukrainian Genocidal Famine of 1932-33, as recognized with a memorial marker unveiled in Calgary on April 25, 1999.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo: Immigrants of Distinction Award recipients, awards sponsored by the Calgary Immigrant Aid Society as celebrated on April 23, 1999.

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose: creation of the Autumn Haggerty Library at the Gardner Bible College in Camrose, coinciding with the 65th anniversary of the institution.

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 26 Family Law Statutes Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Doerksen

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

Bill 30 Employment Pension Plans Amendment Act, 1999 — Mrs. Tarchuk

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, it was agreed at 5:23 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of the Whole, and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, APRIL 26, 1999 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 29 Securities Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Hlady

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 27 Regulated Forestry Profession Act — Mr. Strang

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 15 Natural Heritage Act — Hon. Mr. Lund

Mr. Shariff, 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 27 (Hon. Member for West Yellowhead) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 606/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section A) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 607/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section B) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 608/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 15 introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999 (Section B) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 609/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section C) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 610/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 15 introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999 (Section C) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 611/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section D) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 612/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section E) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 613/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section F) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 614/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 15 introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999 (Section F) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 615/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section G) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 616/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 15 introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999 (Section G) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 617/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section H) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 618/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section I) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 619/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section J) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 620/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section K) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 621/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section L) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 622/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 15 introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999 (Section L) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 623/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section M) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 624/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section N) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 625/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section O) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 626/99

Amendment to Bill 15 (Section P) (Introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 627/99

Subamendment to the Amendment to Bill 15 introduced by the Minister of Environmental Protection on April 21, 1999 (Section P) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 628/99

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:22 p.m. until Tuesday, April 27, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Monday, April 26, 1999