



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 45

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Tuesday, May 11, 1999

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

Presenting Petitions

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, presented a petition from 125 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 116 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, presented a petition from 101 Albertans 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 147 Lethbridge, Coaldale, Taber 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 122 Calgary 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 22 Lethbridge and area residents expressing opposition to Bill 16, Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act, 1999.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, 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.

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, May 12, 1999:

Written Questions: WQ217.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Trynchy, Hon. Member for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne:

Memorandum dated May 11, 1999, from Mr. Trynchy, Hon. Member for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Government Members of the Legislative Assembly, regarding clarification of newspaper reports relating to effective representation

Sessional Paper 794/99

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

E-mail message dated May 4, 1999, from Webb Dussome to Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, expressing opposition to Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act

Sessional Paper 795/99

E-mail message dated April 27, 1999, from Rob Story to Members of the Liberal Opposition, expressing strong opposition to Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act

Sessional Paper 796/99

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry:

E-mail message dated April 28, 1999, from Dr. Tracey Henderson to Members of the Liberal Opposition, expressing concerns regarding Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act

Sessional Paper 797/99

E-mail message dated April 28, 1999, from Judi Vandenbrink to Members of the Liberal Opposition, expressing concerns regarding Bill 15, Natural Heritage Act

Sessional Paper 798/99

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

Petition signed by 98 physicians and registered nurses requesting amendments to Bill 24, Traffic Safety Act, to legislate the compulsory wearing of bicycle helmets for all Albertans

Sessional Paper 799/99

Letter undated from Nigel Mullan, Owner/Broker, Spruceland Insurance and Financial Services, to Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, expressing concerns regarding Bill 25, Insurance Act

Sessional Paper 800/99

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

Letter dated March 26, 1999, from Chris Hrynkiw, Chairperson, Grimshaw Berwyn High School Parent Advisory Council, expressing concerns regarding the lack of funding allocated to public education, and in particular the difficulty of rural schools to provide similar quality core programs as provided by urban schools

Sessional Paper 801/99

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

Petition signed by 35 physicians and registered nurses requesting amendments to Bill 24, Traffic Safety Act, to legislate the compulsory wearing of bicycle helmets for all Albertans

Sessional Paper 802/99

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Alberta Fire Chiefs Association (AFCA), Region 2, resolution expressing concerns regarding Bill 22, Health Professions Act, and requesting an amendment to exclude the certification requirement of Fire Medical Responders (FMRs) and providers of the Public Access AED (Automatic External Defibrillation) Program

Sessional Paper 803/99

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

Petition signed by 38 physicians and registered nurses requesting amendments to Bill 24, Traffic Safety Act, to legislate the compulsory wearing of bicycle helmets for all Albertans

Sessional Paper 804/99

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

E-mail message dated May 10, 1999, from Jay Merchant, Coronation High School student, to Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, expressing concerns regarding the lack of funding allocation to public education, as discussed with Mr. Preston Manning, Leader of the Reform Party of Canada, at the Forum for Young Canadians held in Ottawa

Sessional Paper 805/99

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Responses to questions raised on March 29, 1999, Department of Municipal Affairs, 1999-2000 Designated Supply Subcommittee debate

Sessional Paper 806/99

Mr. Tannas, Hon. Member for Highwood:

Map detailing the Special Places 2000 - Whaleback Protected Area (70,770 acres)

Sessional Paper 807/99

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

9 proposed amendments dated May 11, 1999, to Bill 37, Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 1999

Sessional Paper 808/99

Petition signed by 61 physicians and registered nurses requesting amendments to Bill 24, Traffic Safety Act, to legislate the compulsory wearing of bicycle helmets for all Albertans

Sessional Paper 809/99

Members' Statements

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement recognizing the 70th anniversary of the Junior League of Edmonton, an organization of women committed to developing its members as effective volunteers to strengthen the community.

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding Elm trees, the devastating impact of Dutch Elm disease, and the constant monitoring and strong combative efforts required to prevent the importation of beetles which transmit the virus through fire wood currently being charged for in campgrounds by Alberta Environmental Protection.

Mrs. Burgener, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding site-based management decision-making in the education system with policy and funding support for the Children’s Initiative, and recognizing the fund raising initiatives and parent volunteering efforts in public schools, such as Alex Ferguson School, to enhance their local school community.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 208 Prevention of Youth Tobacco Use Act — Mr. Johnson

At 3:27 p.m. Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to proceed to Motions Other Than Government Motions.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

511. Moved by Mr. Fischer (amended):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate ways to improve *traffic safety at rural intersections by improving the visibility of “Important Intersections Ahead” signs or by adding additional signage informing drivers of upcoming intersections.*

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

512. Moved by Mr. Dickson on behalf of Mrs. Sloan:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to compile an assessment report which shall include indicators of vulnerabilities in Alberta children and the status of provincial programs for such children, to be tabled annually in the Legislative Assembly.

A debate followed.

The question being put, with Mrs. Gordon in the Chair, the motion was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 13

Blakeman	Leibovici	Olsen
Bonner	MacBeth	Pannu
Carlson	Massey	Sloan
Dickson	Nicol	Soetaert
Gibbons		

Against the motion: 42

Burgener	Herard	O'Neill
Calahasen	Hierath	Paszkowski
Cao	Jacques	Pham
Clegg	Johnson	Renner
Doerksen	Jonson	Severtson
Ducharme	Klapstein	Stelmach
Dunford	Kryczka	Strang
Evans	Laing	Tannas
Forsyth	Langevin	Tarchuk
Friedel	Lougheed	Taylor
Fritz	Magnus	Thurber
Graham	McClellan	Trynchy
Haley	McFarland	Yankowsky
Hancock	Nelson	Zwozdesky

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 31 Agricultural Dispositions Statutes Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Thurber

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), debate adjourned.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1999 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

- Bill 31 Agricultural Dispositions Statutes Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Thurber
Bill 32 Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Amendment Act, 1999 —
Hon. Dr. Oberg
Bill 35 Government Fees and Charges Review Act — Hon. Mr. Day

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, and pursuant to Standing Order 60, at 11:58 p.m., the Committee of the Whole adjourned to rise and report, and the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

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

Mr. Tannas, 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 37 (Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake on behalf
of the Hon. Member for Peace River) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 810/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 811/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 812/99

The Acting Speaker recessed the Assembly at 11:59 p.m. until 12:01 a.m.

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

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

Mr. Tannas, 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 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 813/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 814/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 815/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 816/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 817/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 818/99

Amendment to Bill 37 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 819/99

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:23 a.m. Wednesday, May 12, 1999, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, May 11, 1999