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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Wednesday, November 17, 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 Members: Mr. Butler, Hon. Member for Hanna-Oyen, 1975 to 1979, who passed away on November 4, 1999; and Mr. Laurence Decore, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, 1989 to 1997, and Leader of the Official Opposition, 1988 to 1994, who passed away on November 6, 1999.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 243 Albertans requesting the introduction of legislation banning the establishment of private for-profit hospitals.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 1,641 Albertans requesting an independent public inquiry of the Workers' Compensation Act including an examination of the operations of the WCB (Workers' Compensation Board), the Appeals Commission, and the criteria for appointments to the Board.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 226 Albertans requesting the introduction of legislation banning the establishment of private for-profit hospitals.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 70 Calgary residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, presented a petition from 62 Calgary 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 73 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, presented a petition from 67 Calgary residents requesting increased funding and support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, presented a petition from 73 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, presented a petition from 76 Calgary residents 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 72 Calgary 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 65 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 73 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, presented a petition from 68 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, presented a petition from 66 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, presented a petition from 317 Albertans requesting an independent public inquiry of the Workers' Compensation Act including an examination of the operations of the WCB (Workers' Compensation Board), the Appeals Commission, and the criteria for appointments to the Board.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, presented a petition from 74 Calgary residents requesting increased support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, presented a petition from 72 Calgary 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 80 Calgary residents requesting increased funding for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 64 Calgary 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 71 Calgary residents requesting increased funding and support for public and separate schools to levels which will cover increased costs.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, 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.

On request by Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, 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 Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, 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

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, gave oral notice of her intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent importance, namely to prevent the further privatization of health care in Alberta by placing a 180 day moratorium on any new or expanded private health care facilities in Alberta until the Government brings in legislation banning private, for-profit hospitals.

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly, in light of the refusal by Calgary Herald management to negotiate a fair first collective agreement with its unionized employees, urges the Government and the Liberal Opposition to cancel its subscriptions to the Calgary Herald for the duration of the current dispute, and directs the Legislative Assembly Office to do the same.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, gave oral notice of his intention to raise a question of privilege pursuant to Standing Order 15(5).

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

- Bill 40 Health Information Act — Hon. Mr. Jonson on behalf of Ms Graham
- Bill 41 Regulated Accounting Profession Act — Mr. Melchin
- Bill 42 Alberta Stock Exchange Restructuring Act — Mr. Hlady
- Bill 43 Fiscal Responsibility Amendment Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Day
- Bill 44 Insurance Statutes Amendment Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Day on behalf of Ms Graham

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

Bill 41 Regulated Accounting Profession Act — Mr. Melchin

Bill 42 Alberta Stock Exchange Restructuring Act — Mr. Hlady

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations:

Letter dated September 28, 1999, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, to Hon. Mr. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government of Canada, expressing concerns regarding the tragic human rights situation and suppression of democracy in Burma

Sessional Paper 971/99

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Watering Down the Milk: Women Coping on Alberta's Minimum Wage, A Report by the Calgary Status of Women Action Committee, dated February 1999

Sessional Paper 972/99

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

Article dated March 13, 1997, entitled "Costs of Care and Administration at For-profit and Other Hospitals in the United States," written by Steffie Woolhandler, M.D., M.P.H., and David U. Himmelstein, M.D.

Sessional Paper 973/99

Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Minister of Infrastructure:

Return to Order of the Assembly No. MR14 asked for by Mrs. Soetaert on March 24, 1999:

Copies of *summary* reports and comparisons of the costs and/or benefits of the *outsourcing of primary* highway maintenance completed since January 1, 1994.

Sessional Paper 974/99

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

Statement entitled "Expression of Regret" including a quote from a November 2, 1999 news conference

Sessional Paper 975/99

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

Report entitled “An Initiative Addressing the Needs and Rights of Alberta’s Nursing Home Residents,” produced by FAIRE (Families Allied to Influence Responsible Eldercare)

Sessional Paper 976/99

Draft Privacy Code entitled “National Physician Workshop: On the Privacy of Health Information,” produced by the Canadian Medical Association

Sessional Paper 977/99

Implication of Bill C-54 on Medical Information: An Analysis of the Submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Industry by the Ontario Ministry of Health Concerning Bill C-54 (Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act)

Sessional Paper 978/99

Letter dated February 17, 1998, from Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health and Wellness, regarding the National Conference on Health Information held in Edmonton, February 9-10, 1998, with attached response dated March 17, 1998, from Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health and Wellness, in reply to a request to hold public hearings on the rules and laws governing personal health information

Sessional Paper 979/99

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, Internet webpage summarizing survey results to a question regarding payment of legal fees incurred by Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, due to an allegation of defamation

Sessional Paper 980/99

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Policy Statement on the Delivery of Surgical Services, dated November 17, 1999

Sessional Paper 981/99

Final Report of the Long Term Care Review: Final Report of the Policy Advisory Committee entitled “Healthy Aging: New Directions for Care” and “Future Scenarios: Continuing Care Service Needs in Alberta,” dated November 1999

Sessional Paper 982/99

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

Fact sheet entitled “What do we want? Why do we want it? Support us in our struggle to save quality journalism and ensure a fair workplace for all. Don’t buy the Herald,” produced by the Graphic Communications International Union Local 34M, and Communications Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada Local 115A

Sessional Paper 983/99

Globe and Mail newspaper article dated November 10, 1999, entitled “Shame on Southam,” written by Gillian Steward

Sessional Paper 984/99

Future of Medicare: Recovering the Canada Health Act, produced by the Monique Bégin, Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Health Sciences and MHA Programme, Faculty of Administration, University of Ottawa, dated September 1999

Sessional Paper 985/99

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

Letter dated September 27, 1999, from Allan P. Jobson, to Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, regarding WCB (Workers' Compensation Board) concerns expressed by workers and employers with proposed solutions

Sessional Paper 986/99

Mr. Langevin, Chairman, Select Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Election Act, cE-2, s4(3):

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Senate Nominee Election, Monday, October 19, 1998

Sessional Paper 987/99

Mr. Langevin, Chairman, Select Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-49, s19(4):

Auditor General of Alberta, Annual Report 1998-99

Sessional Paper 988/99

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

Letter dated October 21, 1999, from George Rondeau to Dr. Graeme Dowling, Chief Medical Examiner, requesting a public fatality inquiry into his son Curtis' death on February 20, 1998, as a result of an oilfield construction accident

Sessional Paper 989/99

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

Letter dated August 20, 1999, from Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, to Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, requesting the establishment of an independent public inquiry relating to WCB (Workers' Compensation Board) issues

Sessional Paper 990/99

Letter dated September 8, 1999, from Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, to Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, in response to concerns expressed relating to the WCB (Workers' Compensation Board)

Sessional Paper 991/99

Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, pursuant to the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act, cA-42.3, s6(2):

Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board, Annual Report 1998-99, entitled "Building on the Vision"

Sessional Paper 992/99

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Photographs of the D. Booth homestead dated May 7, 1999 depicting the regional landfill

Sessional Paper 993/99

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-22-1, s44(2):

Office of the Ethics Commissioner, Annual Report 1998-99

Sessional Paper 994/99

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosures Act, cE-3, s3(2):

Chief Electoral Officer, Twenty-second Annual Report, the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act for the Calendar Year 1998

Sessional Paper 995/99

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-18.5, s61(2):

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner - Alberta, Annual Report 1998-99

Sessional Paper 996/99

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-22.1, s23(10), 26(1):

Report to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Investigation by the Ethics Commissioner into Allegations Involving Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer and Member for Red Deer-North, produced by the Office of the Ethics Commissioner, dated November 15, 1999

Sessional Paper 997/99

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, made a statement on behalf of the Government Caucus expressing condolences to the Decore family in recognition of the many contributions of the former Member Mr. Laurence Decore, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, 1989 to 1997, and Leader of the Official Opposition, 1988 to 1994, who passed away on November 6, 1999.

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, also expressed condolences and commented on Mr. Laurence Decore's political contributions.

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, to comment on the statement.

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, made a statement on behalf of the Government Caucus expressing condolences to the Butler family in recognition of the many contributions of the former Member Mr. Butler, Hon. Member for Hanna-Oyen, 1975 to 1979, who passed away on November 4, 1999.

Recognitions

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: Steering Committee members of the International Year of Older Persons and the ACT (Association of Commercial Travellers) Celebration Garden.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: Family Violence Month, November 1999, and supporting agencies, community groups, organizations, staff and volunteers.

Mr. Renner, Hon. Member for Medicine Hat: Medicine Hat Rattlers Women's Soccer Team, National Championship silver medal recipients.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo: FAIRE (Families Allied to Influence Responsible Eldercare) supporting members.

Mr. Fischer, Hon. Member for Wainwright: Farm Family Award winners at Farm Fair International, November 13, 1999.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona: Calgary General Hospital's many years of public service to Albertans.

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills: eleventh Alberta Seniors Games held in the communities of Olds and Didsbury, July 25-28, 1999.

Privilege

Oral notice having been given under Notices of Motions, Wednesday, November 17, 1999, and pursuant to Standing Order 15(5), Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, raised a purported question of privilege regarding a Calgary Herald private security guard's entry into the Legislative Building earlier that day. He felt that the guard's presence in the building without explicit permission being granted constituted a serious breach of the Assembly's privileges.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, commented on the public security issue which he stated had been addressed earlier.

The Speaker advised the Assembly he would consult with Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, and may advise the Assembly at a later date if required.

Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely to prevent the further privatization of health care in Alberta by placing a 180 day moratorium on any new or expanded private health care facilities in Alberta until the Government brings in legislation banning private, for-profit hospitals.

A debate followed on urgency. The Speaker heard from: Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition; Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, and Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was not in order.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, requested and the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly, in light of the refusal by Calgary Herald management to negotiate a fair first collective agreement with its unionized employees, urges the Government and the Liberal Opposition to cancel its subscriptions to the Calgary Herald for the duration of the current dispute, and directs the Legislative Assembly Office to do the same.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

Speaker's Statement

Last Saturday, November 13 in this Assembly, the 418, that is the City of Edmonton squadron standard, was laid up in the Legislature rotunda. The background that I give you is that when you walk out of these doors later in the day you will see something to the left of you, and I want to provide what this was all about. This squadron, that is, the City of Edmonton 418, had a distinguished record of service in war and in peace. It was formed in England in November of 1941. The 418 was involved in air operation until the war's end. Their wartime exploits were absolutely remarkable. On 3,492 sorties, squadron 418 destroyed 178 Nazi aircraft. Sixteen of its pilots were aces with five or more enemy aircraft to their credit. This squadron accounted for more Nazi aircraft than any other unit in the Royal Canadian Air Force. They also paid a heavy price. One hundred twenty-five squadron members were killed in action and a further 27 were declared missing in action and presumed dead. In March of 1944, 418 was adopted by the city of Edmonton as many of the ground and air crew were from Edmonton and the surrounding area. The 418 squadron standard is unique. Central to it is the figure of an Inuit hunter. Beneath the Inuit is the motto "Piyautailili" which translates "defend even until death."

The standard is a consecrated symbol of the unit's achievements in war, an expression of the Sovereign's and the nation's gratitude and of the sanctity of the sacrifices given to the cause of freedom. The 418 squadron is laid up at the balustrade to the left as you exit the Chamber, and I'd encourage all hon. Members to take pause and to briefly reflect on its significance as they leave the House later this afternoon. One of the aces of this squadron is a former minister of the Social Credit government who sat on the front benches in this House for a great number of years, Mr. Fred Colborne.

I'm also pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Ed Richard and Mr. Bill Semple as assistant Sergeants-at-Arms with the Alberta Legislative Assembly. These sessional appointments were made necessary after the retirement of Allen Gowler in May of this year. Mr. Gowler had served as associate Sergeant-at-Arms for over 18 years, and I know that all of you in the next number of days will be able to welcome Bill and Ed to their new responsibilities and wish them well.

In the next number of days, the next number of nights, hon. Members will also notice some new faces at the Table directly in front of me. Jo-An Christiansen, Micheline Gravel, Corinne Dacyshyn, and Diane Shumyla will be spending some time in the Chamber learning the duties of Table Officers. Although new to the Table, they nevertheless have between them a total of 25.95 years of service to the Legislative Assembly Office in various capacities including: Journals and Bills Clerk, Committee Clerk, Procedural Clerk, and Library Technician. It is not to say that any of the current Table Officers are leaving; I just believe that we should have bonafide qualified backup for all of us, and, in the unlikely event that one of the Table Officers is unable to be here with us, we will have dutifully qualified other people. I'm sure hon. Members will also welcome them.

And the last item: hon. Members will note a few changes to today's Order Paper pursuant to recent appointments to Executive Council. Parliamentary authorities provide that a Minister cannot be the sponsor of private Member's business. Thus, following the written request by the hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek and new Associate Minister of Health and Wellness, Motions Other Than Government Motions 573 and 585 which had appeared on the Order Paper under his name have been withdrawn. This leaves Bill Pr. 2, Shaw Communications Inc. Amendment Act, 1999, still showing on the Order Paper, also under the new Associate Minister's name. Pursuant to Beauchesne's 1061(1) which states that "it is a recognized principle in Parliament that Ministers should not initiate or promote private bill legislation," and also in keeping with the parliamentary traditions of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, unanimous consent of the Assembly is required to effect a change in the sponsorship of this bill. However, I understand that the Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Bills has some information on the bill which she would like to share with hon. Members.

Mrs. Burgener, Deputy Chair, Select Standing Committee on Private Bills, indicated the Committee had received correspondence from the counsel to the petitioners for Bill Pr2, Shaw Communications Inc. Amendment Act, 1999, advising that the petitioners wished to withdraw the Bill from the Assembly's business. She then tabled the letter in question:

Letter dated October 22, 1999, from Colleen M. Cebuliuk, from the law firm Fraser Milner, to Ms Shannon Dean, Parliamentary Counsel, Legislative Assembly, requesting that the Bill Pr2, Shaw Communications Inc. Amendment Act, 1999, be withdrawn as the requested changes were no longer required

Sessional Paper 998/99

Mrs. Burgener requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to withdraw Bill Pr2, Shaw Communications Inc. Amendment Act, 1999, from the Order Paper.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ218, WQ219, WQ220, WQ226, WQ227, WQ231, WQ232, WQ237.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR221, MR222, MR223, MR224, MR225, MR228, MR229, MR230, MR233, MR234, MR235, MR236, MR238, MR239, MR240, MR241.

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 211 Workers' Compensation (Competitive Marketplace Review Committee)
Amendment Act, 1999 — Mr. Pham

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:23 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1999 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Motions

22. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the following changes to the following Committees be approved by the Assembly:

on the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, that Hon. Mr. Woloshyn replace Mr. Renner, that Mr. Clegg replace Mr. Doerksen, and that Ms Haley be appointed Deputy Chair;

on the Select Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, that Mr. Trynchy replace Mr. Pham as Chair;

on the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills, that Mr. Jacques replace Hon. Mr. Cardinal, and that Mr. Renner replace Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky;

on the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, that Mr. Cao replace Mr. Ducharme, that Ms Graham replace Mr. Hierath, that Mr. Herard replace Mr. Hlady, that Ms Kryczka replace Mr. Stevens and that Ms Forsyth replace Mr. Melchin;

on the Select Standing Committee on Public Affairs, that Mr. Fischer replace Hon. Mr. Cardinal as Deputy Chair.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 38 Constitutional Referendum Amendment Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Havelock

A debate followed.

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

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 73(1) in order to proceed with Second Reading consideration of Bill 42, Alberta Stock Exchange Restructuring Act.

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

Bill 42 Alberta Stock Exchange Restructuring Act — Mr. Hlady

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:40 p.m. until Thursday, November 18, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, November 17, 1999