

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 55

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Thursday, November 25, 1999

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

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of the birthday of Mr. Doerksen, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 150 Albertans requesting the freezing of tuition and institutional fees and an increase in post-secondary education support.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, presented a petition from 112 Albertans 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 107 Albertans 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 540 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.

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

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 229 Albertans requesting the introduction of legislation banning the establishment of private for-profit hospitals.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, urge the Legislative Assembly to freeze tuition and institutional fees and increase support in the foundation of post-secondary education.

On request by Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, 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.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Newsletter dated November 1999, entitled "Status Report, The Quarterly Newsletter on Disability Issues in Alberta," produced by the Premier's Council on the Status of Persons with Disabilities

Sessional Paper 1120/99

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

E-mail message dated November 25, 1999, from Jim Kuzyk to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding a resolution protesting the move to private for-profit hospitals in Alberta which was passed by the 39 Alberta Council on Aging Members on November 24, 1999

Sessional Paper 1121/99

3 letters dated November 22, 1999, from Lenden Zacharchenko, Kaitlen Pawluk, and T. Hedge expressing concerns regarding universal health care access in Alberta

Sessional Paper 1122/99

E-mail message dated November 25, 1999, from Michael M. Rachlis, MD to Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, outlining the business case against for-profit hospitals

Sessional Paper 1123/99

Mr. Magnus, Hon. Member for Calgary-North Hill:

Brochure entitled "Women Break the Silence About Abuse and Violence," recreated by Ms Paul, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs

Sessional Paper 1124/99

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

Pamphlet dated 1999 entitled "Research Works," prepared by the Office of the Vice-President (Research and External Affairs), University of Alberta Sessional Paper 1125/99

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

"Submission for the Provincial and Regional Persons With Developmental Disabilities Boards within Alberta," dated Fall 1999, presented by the Alberta Official Opposition, Mrs. Sloan, Alberta Liberal Critic for Family and Social Services

Sessional Paper 1126/99

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

Letter dated October 25, 1999, from Allan P. Jobson to Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, with attached documentation (evidence package 5) regarding a WCB (Workers' Compensation Board) claim Sessional Paper 1127/99

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, tabled the following:

E-mail message dated November 25, 1999 from George Blazek to Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, regarding health policy in Alberta Sessional Paper 1128/99

Members' Statements

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement recognizing Stanley Reynolds of Wetaskiwin, recipient of the 1999 Alberta Order of Excellence and his commitment to preserving Alberta's history.

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding handicap placards given to people with disabilities and the difficulty experienced by handicap persons when trying to park in public places.

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Carlson, Acting Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of November 29 to December 2, 1999:

Monday, November 29	Aft	Government Bills and Orders
		Messages from His Honour - Supplementary Supply
		Government Motions
		Government Motions 24 and 25
		Second Reading/
		Committee of the Whole
		Bills 38, 40, 43, 44
		And as per Order Paper
	Eve	Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading/
		Committee of the Whole
		Bills 38, 40, 43, 44
		And as per Order Paper
Tuesday, November 30	(4:30) _	Government Bills and Orders
		Government Motions
		Government Motion 23
		Second Reading/
		Committee of the Whole
		Bills 38, 40
		And as per Order Paper

	Eve	Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of Supply
		Supplementary Supply (Day 1 of 2)
		Committee of the Whole
		Bills 40, 38, 43, 44
		And as per Order Paper
Wednesday, December 1	Eve	Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 40
		Committee of Supply
		Supplementary Supply (Day 2 of 2)
		Introduction of Bills
		Bill 45
		And as per Order Paper
Thursday, December 2	Aft	Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bills 46, 45
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 40
		And as per Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 41 Regulated Accounting Profession Act - Mr. Melchin

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

Bill 7 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 1999 — Hon. Mr. Jonson

A debate followed.

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

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.

The question being put, with Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the motion was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 35

Amery	Fritz	McClellan
Broda	Graham	McFarland
Calahasen	Haley	Melchin
Cao	Hancock	O'Neill
Cardinal	Herard	Paszkowski
Day	Hlady	Severtson
Ducharme	Jacques	Stelmach
Dunford	Johnson	Stevens
Evans	Klapstein	Strang
Fischer	Kryczka	Thurber
Forsyth	Laing	Yankowsky
Friedel	Lougheed	

Against the motion: 6

Blakeman	MacDonald	White
Carlson	Sloan	Wickman

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

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

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

Bill 40 Health Information Act — Ms Graham

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), debate adjourned, Ms Carlson speaking.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until Monday, November 29, 1999, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 25, 1999