



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 7

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Wednesday, March 1, 2000

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Doerksen, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, presented a petition from 5,287 Albertans in support of the five basic principles upon which medicare was built.

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, presented a petition from 351 Stony Plain residents requesting a review of the decision to amalgamate the French Immersion Program at Parkland School Division No. 70.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 821 Albertans requesting that the promotion of private health care and the undermining of public health care be stopped.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, presented a petition from 395 Albertans requesting that the promotion of private health care and the undermining of public health care be stopped.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 242 Albertans requesting the introduction of a bill banning the establishment of private for-profit hospitals in Alberta to maintain the integrity of the public, universal health care system.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 1,003 Edmonton residents requesting that the promotion of private health care and the undermining of public health care be stopped.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

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

We, the undersigned citizens of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to stop promoting private health care and undermining public health care.

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

We, the undersigned citizens of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to stop promoting private health care and undermining public health care.

On request by Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned citizens of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to stop promoting private health care and undermining public health care.

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

We, the undersigned citizens of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to stop promoting private health care and undermining public health care.

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

We, the undersigned citizens of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to stop promoting private health care and undermining public health care.

On request by Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned citizens of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to stop promoting private health care and undermining public health care.

On request by Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of the Province of Alberta, hereby petition the Legislative Assembly to pass a bill banning private for-profit hospitals in Alberta so that the integrity of the public, universal health care system may be maintained.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 2 First Nations Sacred Ceremonial Objects Repatriation Act — Hon. Ms Calahasen

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 12 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2000 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Day

Bill 207 Provincial-Municipal Tax Sharing Calculation Act — Mrs. MacBeth

Bill 208 Gaming and Liquor Amendment Act, 2000 — Mrs. MacBeth

Bill 209 Employment Standards (Parental Leave) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Cao

Bill 210 Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2000 — Ms Forsyth

Bill 211 Alberta Taxpayer Bill of Rights — Mr. Sapers

Bill 212 Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Amendment Act, 2000 — Hon. Mr. Havelock on behalf of Mr. Yankowsky

Bill 213 Farm Implement Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Hlady on behalf of Mr. Marz

Bill 214 Police (Special Constable Safety) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mrs. Gordon

Bill 215 School (Early Childhood Education) Amendment Act, 2000 — Dr. Massey

Bill 216 Labour Statutes (Workers' Rights) Amendment Act, 2000 — Dr. Pannu

Bill 217 Public Highways Development Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Tannas

Bill 218 Insurance Statutes (Gender Premium Equity) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mrs. O'Neill

Bill 219 Blind Persons' Rights (Service Dogs) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Lougheed

Bill 220 Citizens' Initiative Act — Mr. Ducharme

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Children's Services:

Department of Children's Services records management program for child welfare records in response to a request from Mrs. Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, during Oral Question Period February 29, 2000

Sessional Paper 120/2000

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment:

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta Radiation Health Administrative Organization, Annual Report for the period April 1, 1998 - March 31, 1999

Sessional Paper 121/2000

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Dental Profession Act, cD-9.5, s6(4):

Alberta Dental Association 1998 Radiation Health and Safety Program Annual Report, January 1, 1998 - December 31, 1998

Sessional Paper 122/2000

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Chiropractic Profession Act, cC-9.1, s7(4):

College of Chiropractors of Alberta Radiation Health Administrative Organization Annual Report, Year End: March 31, 1999

Sessional Paper 123/2000

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Veterinary Profession Act, cV-3.1, s7(4):

Alberta Veterinary Medical Association 1999 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 124/2000

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

Calgary Multicultural Health Care Initiative, Final Report entitled "Building Bridges: Healthy Living For Calgary's Diverse Community" dated February 2000, prepared by the Calgary Immigrant Aid Society

Sessional Paper 125/2000

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

Pamphlet entitled "Auxiliary Nurses Are Worth It Because We Care" from AUPE (Alberta Union of Provincial Employees) requesting support for a better pay increase than is currently being offered by the Capital Health Authority

Sessional Paper 126/2000

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

Document entitled "The Capital Health Region (Royal Alexandra - Glenrose Sites) Information Sheet on Licenced Practical Nurses" setting out information about the current offer made to the AUPE (Alberta Union of Provincial Employees) by the Capital Health Authority for Licenced Practical Nurses (LPNs)
Sessional Paper 127/2000

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

Document setting out the locations of information pickets held March 1, 2000, prepared by AUPE (Alberta Union of Provincial Employees)
Sessional Paper 128/2000

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

Chinook Health Region Restructuring Update dated February 2000
Sessional Paper 129/2000

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

Letter dated February 29, 2000 from Robert Lawrence to Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, regarding privatization of Alberta's Health Care System
Sessional Paper 130/2000

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

Letter dated February 17, 2000 from Terry Darbyson to Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, regarding private for-profit hospitals
Sessional Paper 131/2000

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Environment, pursuant to the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, cE-13.3, s32(2):

Environmental Protection Security Fund Annual Report, April 1, 1998 - March 31, 1999
Sessional Paper 132/2000

Recognitions

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead: Kevin Reid, snowshoer from Edson, winner of 3 medals at the recent Canadian Special Olympics Winter Games in Ottawa

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark: Albertans who have contacted and petitioned the provincial government expressing opposition to its plan to allow for private, for-profit hospitals

Mr. Lougheed, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan: the 3,500 volunteers whose time and energy contributed to the success of the 13th Alberta Winter Games held in Strathcona County February 17-20, 2000

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry: Ukrainian Bilingual Program and the celebration of its 25th anniversary

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose: Sharon Dermott of Ohaton, recipient of a National Rescue award at the annual Lifesaving Investiture ceremony held on February 28, 2000

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona: Roy Hassan Jamha who passed away February 20, 2000, for his tireless contributions for the betterment of the poor and disadvantaged and his political involvement in the New Democrat party

Mrs. Laing, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow: St David's Day, March 1, 2000, patron Saint of Wales

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ1, WQ2, WQ3, WQ4, WQ5, WQ6.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR1, MR2, MR3, MR4, MR5, MR6, MR7, MR8, MR9, MR10.

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 204 Agricultural and Recreational Land Ownership Amendment Act, 2000 —
Mr. McFarland

A debate followed.

Hon. Mrs. Nelson, Minister of Government Services, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after the word “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 204, Agricultural and Recreational Land Ownership Amendment Act, 2000, be not now read a Second time, but that it be read a Second time this day six months hence.

Debate continued on the amendment.

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

For the motion: 38

Broda	Gordon	Nelson
Burgener	Graham	Paszkowski
Cao	Hancock	Pham
Cardinal	Havelock	Renner
Clegg	Hierath	Severtson
Coutts	Hlady	Strang
Doerksen	Jacques	Tannas
Ducharme	Johnson	Tarchuk
Dunford	Jonson	Taylor
Fischer	Klapstein	Thurber
Forsyth	Laing	Woloshyn
Friedel	Langevin	Zwozdesky
Fritz	McFarland	

Against the motion: 5

Carlson	Leibovici	Wickman
Dickson	Sloan	

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 202 Marriage Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Doerksen

Mr. Herard, Acting Chairman of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by the Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 202 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Debate adjourned on amendment.

Sessional Paper 133/2000

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:27 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply, and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2000— 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Days 3 and 4 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mrs. Gordon reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Government Services for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001 (Subcommittee C), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Economic Development for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001 (Subcommittee D), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech (Day 5)

Moved by Ms Haley and seconded by Mr. Lougheed:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Mrs. Lois E. Hole, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Ms Leibovici moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

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 Bill was reported:

Bill 9 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2000 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Day

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:05 p.m. until Thursday, March 2, 2000, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 1, 2000