



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 21

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Monday, April 3, 2000

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, presented a petition from 21 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 281 Albertans requesting that the promotion of private health care and the undermining of public health care be stopped.

Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, presented a petition from 221 Albertans requesting that the promotion of private health care and the undermining of public health care be stopped.

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, presented a petition from 227 Edmonton residents requesting that the promotion of private health care and the undermining of public health care be stopped.

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, presented a petition from 244 Edmonton and St. Albert residents requesting that the promotion of private health care and the undermining of public health care be stopped.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 17 Albertans requesting the introduction of a bill requiring a minimum of two people on shifts from dark to daylight.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 359 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.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Woloshyn, Minister of Community Development:

Information bulletin dated April 3, 2000, entitled "Information Rights Week to focus on integrity and reliability" prepared by Alberta Community Development
Sessional Paper 414/2000

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Gaming:

2 letters dated March 28, 2000, from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Gaming, to Les Pearson, Principal, and David Oakleaf, School Council Chair, William Alberhart High School, Calgary, expressing condolences on the deaths of 2 students and a parent volunteer during a class trip to California
Sessional Paper 415/2000

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

CUPE (Canadian Union of Public Employees) On the Front Line article dated March 2000, entitled "Shouldice Hospital Ltd.: An Anomaly in Health Care Delivery"
Sessional Paper 416/2000

E-mail message dated March 17, 2000, from Peter Justo, Calgary, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, e-mail message dated March 23, 2000, from Bill Jackson, Calgary, and a letter dated March 22, 2000, from Peter J. Smith, Edmonton, to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing opposition to Bill 11, Health Care Protection Act
Sessional Paper 417/2000

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

6 letters and 3 e-mail messages from Albertans to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health and Wellness, and Members of the Legislative Assembly, expressing their opposition to Bill 11, Health Care Protection Act
Sessional Paper 418/2000

Letter, undated, from George and Shirley Isaac, Sherwood Park, to Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, regarding the request for a debate with Mr. Lougheed, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, on Bill 11, Health Care Protection Act

Sessional Paper 419/2000

Letter dated March 28, 2000, from Abe Fehr, Edmonton, to all Members of the Legislative Assembly, expressing opposition to Bill 11, Health Care Protection Act

Sessional Paper 420/2000

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated March 22, 2000, from Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, to Elinor Caplan, Federal Minister of Immigration, expressing her support for Leticia Cables

Sessional Paper 421/2000

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter dated March 2, 2000, from Frances Jablonca, Calgary, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concerns about the proposed development in the Spray Valley area of Kananaskis Country

Sessional Paper 422/2000

Letter, undated, from July Lenek, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concerns about the future development plans in the Spray and Kananaskis valleys

Sessional Paper 423/2000

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

Edmonton-Riverview constituency Annual Report 1999/2000

Sessional Paper 424/2000

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

Letter, undated, from Ivan Whitson, Edmonton, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing opposition to Bill 11, Health Care Protection Act

Sessional Paper 425/2000

Letter dated March 22, 2000, from Phyllis M.E. LaFleur, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, with attached copy of her letter to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing opposition to Bill 11, Health Care Protection Act

Sessional Paper 426/2000

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder:

Letter, undated, from Louise Evangen, Calgary, to Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, expressing opposition to the proposed development in the Spray Valley area of Kananaskis Country

Sessional Paper 427/2000

Letter, undated, from Katherine Fisher and Gerry Stewart, to Gobi Singh, Chief Executive Officer, Genesis Land Development Corporation, expressing opposition to the proposed development of the Spray Lakes area in Kananaskis Country

Sessional Paper 428/2000

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Condominium Property Act/Condominium Property Amendment Act, 1996 Discussion Group Report dated March 1, 2000, prepared by the Condominium Advocate Association

Sessional Paper 429/2000

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

Letter dated March 21, 2000, 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, and offering solutions

Sessional Paper 430/2000

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Mrs. MacBeth, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, tabled the following:

Interim Report to Alberta Health and Wellness dated March 2000, entitled "The Public Purchase of Private Surgical Services: A Systematic Review of the Evidence on Efficiency and Equity", prepared by Cam Donaldson, Ph.D., and Gillian Currie, Ph.D., Fellows of the Institute of Health Economics, Edmonton

Sessional Paper 431/2000

Speaker's Statement - Anticipation

In light of certain Bills scheduled to be debated over the next few days, the Chair would like to remind all Honourable Members about Standing Order 23(e) which provides that "A member will be called to order by Mr. Speaker if that member...

(e) anticipates, contrary to good parliamentary practice, any matter already on the Order Paper or on notice for consideration on that day..."

The Chair has commented numerous times that questions concerning the content of a Bill will be out of order if the Bill is scheduled to be debated that day. As the Chair indicated in its March 3, 1998 ruling on this subject, found at page 649 of Hansard for that day, this Speaker will give the greatest degree of flexibility to Private Members when they choose to rise in this Assembly. Of course, this latitude is tempered by the rules which Members themselves have chosen to be governed by. Accordingly, the Chair simply wants to remind Members about Standing Order 23(e) so that no one is caught off-guard in the next few days.

Recognitions

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills: Provincial Midget B Hockey Championship March 24-26, 2000, held at the Three Hills and Trochu arenas, and the Three Hills Chiefs, tournament gold medal winners

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East: 13th Annual Management Scholarship fund-raising dinner, University of Lethbridge, Faculty of Management, March 17, 2000, honouring Val and Flora Matteotti

Mr. Klapstein, Hon. Member for Leduc: Amy Fox, grade 12 student from Hay Lakes school, for winning the Canadian Merit Scholarship and the Morehead Scholarship

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry: University of Alberta Golden Bears hockey team for winning the CIAU (Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union) hockey championship during the weekend of April 1-2, 2000

Mr. Melchin, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West: the deaths of two students, Brodie McDonald and David Elton and parent volunteer Barbara Clement, all of Calgary, during a class trip to California, and expressing sympathy to the families of the victims and the community

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert: Dominion Seniors Legion Curling Bonspiel held March 27-31, 2000 in Spruce Grove

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 16 Condominium Property Amendment Act, 2000 — Hon. Mrs. Nelson on behalf of Mrs. Laing

A debate followed.

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

Bill 18 Alberta Personal Income Tax Act (\$) — Hon. Dr. West on behalf of Hon. Mr. Day

A debate followed.

Hon. Mrs. McClellan moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Bill 19 Alberta Income Tax Amendment Act, 2000 — Hon. Dr. West on behalf of Hon. Mr. Day

Hon. Dr. West moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:16 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of the Whole, and the Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2000 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bills were reported:

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

Bill 4 Surveys Amendment Act, 2000 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Bill 5 Land Titles Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Jacques

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 10 Securities Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Hlady

Mr. Shariff 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 2 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 432/2000

Amendment to Bill 2 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 433/2000

Amendment to Bill 10 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) —
Agreed to
Sessional Paper 436/2000

Mr. Shariff also tabled copies of the document tabled by Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Municipal Affairs, during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 4

Responses to questions raised on March 13, 2000, during Second reading
debate on Bill 4, Surveys Amendment Act

Sessional Paper 434/2000

Mr. Shariff also tabled copies of the document tabled by Mr. Jacques, Hon.
Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, during Committee of the Whole consideration
of Bill 5

Letter dated March 14, 2000, from E. Mirth, Q.C., Chairman, Canadian Bar
Association/Alberta Law Society Legislative Review Committee, to Tim
Grusie, Registrar, Alberta Land Titles Registration Office, responding to a
question about consultation with the Canadian Bar Association and the
Alberta Law Society regarding Bill 5, Land Titles Amendment Act, 2000

Sessional Paper 435/2000

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly
adjourned at 10:02 p.m. until Tuesday, April 4, 2000, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Monday, April 3, 2000