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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Thursday, November 16, 2000

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 26 Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act — Mr. Stevens

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

Bill 26 Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act — Mr. Stevens

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Response to question raised by Mrs. Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, during Oral Question Period on November 15, 2000, asking how many statements of claim have been filed citing that the Department of Child Welfare and the Government have failed to act on allegations of child abuse Sessional Paper 1103/2000

Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Resource Development:

Report dated October 2000, entitled "Albertans' Views on Provincial Energy Deregulation" stating results of, and comments on, a recent poll conducted by Ipsos Reid

Sessional Paper 1104/2000

Report, undated, entitled "Canadian Natural Gas Prices" comparing natural gas prices throughout 7 Canadian cities for the months of October and November 2000, prepared by Canadian Gas Price Reporter

Sessional Paper 1105/2000

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Environment:

Response to Written Question WQ7 asked for by Ms Carlson on April 5, 2000:

What was the *approximate* total number of contaminated sites recorded by Alberta Environment on December 31, 1999; how many of these were underground petroleum storage sites; and how many had been visited and reviewed between January 1, 1998 and December 31, 1999?

Sessional Paper 1106/2000

Return to Order of the Assembly MR14 asked for by Ms Carlson on April 5, 2000:

A monthly summary of all monitoring results, and any individual values that exceed permitted limits, from April 1, 1997 to February 28, 2000, collected by Chem-Security (Alberta) Ltd. and Bovar Inc., as required by the approval to operate the Alberta Special Waste Treatment Centre at Swan Hills.

Sessional Paper 1107/2000

Return to Order of the Assembly MR15 asked for by Mr. White on April 5, 2000:

A list of all contracts issued by the Alberta Forest Service in the calendar year 1999, indicating the purpose of each contract, the name of the company to which it was awarded and whether the contract was awarded as a result of a public tendering process.

Sessional Paper 1108/2000

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

Alberta Environment, Environmental Protection Security Fund Annual Report, April 1, 1999 to March 31, 2000

Sessional Paper 1109/2000

Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-49, s19(4):

Auditor General of Alberta, Annual Report 1999-2000

Sessional Paper 1110/2000

Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-18.5, s61(2):

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, Alberta, 1999-2000 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 1111/2000

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

3 audit documents entitled "Human Resources and Employment - Labour Development Agreement, Statement of Operations for the year ended March 31, 2000" dated June 16, 2000, "Advanced Education and Career Development -Labour Market Development Agreement, Statement of Operations for the year ended March 31, 2000" dated May 20, 1999, both prepared by the Auditor General of Alberta, and "Contract Review Report" dated March 10, 2000, prepared by Accounting and Advisory Services, Alberta Learning

Sessional Paper 1112/2000

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

Letter dated June 24, 1998, to Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour, in response to a request made by Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, expressing concerns regarding a Calgary home with an untreated pine shake roof

Sessional Paper 1113/2000

Letter dated June 10, 1998, to Mr. Lougheed, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, in response to a request made by Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, expressing concerns regarding rotting pine shakes on their Fort Saskatchewan home

Sessional Paper 1114/2000

E-mail message dated June 15, 1998, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, in response to a request made by Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, expressing concerns regarding rotting, untreated pine shakes on their Sherwood Park home

Sessional Paper 1115/2000

E-mail message dated June 14, 1998, from the Terwillegar Hill Estates Homeowners' Association to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, in response to a request made by Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, expressing concerns regarding replacing roofs on approximately 150 households in south-west Edmonton

Sessional Paper 1116/2000

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

Report dated October 1999, entitled "Caught in the Middle: Graduate Students and Rising Tuition Levels In Alberta" prepared by Arthur Arruda, Department of Educational Policy Studies, University of Alberta

Sessional Paper 1117/2000

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

E-mail message dated November 15, 2000, from Brian Callinan, Edmonton, to the New Democrats' office, stating he feels the Government's electricity rebate is unfair to, and discriminates against, renters

Sessional Paper 1118/2000

E-mail message dated November 14, 2000, from Carol Rauf, Edmonton, to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness, lodging a complaint regarding a 25-minute wait for telephone assistance at Alberta Health Care

Sessional Paper 1119/2000

Letter dated November 9, 2000, from Darlene Zloklikovits, Vice President, Alberta Injured Workers' Society, to Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, expressing concerns regarding a statement made by Mr. Dunford in an Alberta Venture November 2000 article

Sessional Paper 1120/2000

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

Document entitled "Bill 201, Bill 11 Repeal Act, 2000" prepared by the New Democrats

Sessional Paper 1121/2000

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated May 24, 2000, from Karen Rodway, Edmonton, to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health and Wellness, requesting payment for an MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) obtained at a private clinic

Sessional Paper 1122/2000

Letter dated November 15, 2000, from Carole D. Parent, Sherwood Park, to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing concerns regarding MRIs (magnetic resonance imaging) and requesting an apology and reimbursement for the service obtained at a private clinic

Sessional Paper 1123/2000

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

Report dated November 2000, entitled "Edmonton Community Plan on Homelessness 2000-2003, Executive Summary" prepared by the Edmonton Joint Planning Committee on Housing

Sessional Paper 1124/2000

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, pursuant to the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Act, cA-38, s12:

AADAC (Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission), Annual Report for 1999-2000

Sessional Paper 1125/2000

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

Globe and Mail article dated November 16, 2000, entitled "Critics slam Chrétien's special treatment"

Sessional Paper 1126/2000

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Memorandum dated November 15, 2000, from Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting that Bill 209, Employment Standards (Parental Leave) Amendment Act, 2000, be brought to Committee of the Whole for consideration on Tuesday, November 21, 2000

Sessional Paper 1127/2000

Revert to Tablings

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Environment:

Newspaper article, undated, entitled "Notice of Decision of the Director, Environmental Assessment & Compliance Division. A Proposal by Inland Cement" proposing to allow Inland Cement to use any combination of coal, petroleum coke or natural gas fuel

Sessional Paper 1128/2000

Members' Statements

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement acknowledging the commemoration of Métis week in Alberta, noting several events held this week, and the Government's commitment to a partnership with the Métis people.

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding the Provincial Treasurer.

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Dickson, 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 20 to November 23, 2000:

Monday, November 20	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 20, 22
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 20, 22
		And as per Order Paper
	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of Supply
		Supplementary Supply Estimates - Day 2 of 2
		Revert to Introduction of Bills
		Bill 28
		And as per Order Paper
Tuesday, November 21	(4:30)	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 22
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 3
		And as per Order Paper
	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of the Whole
		Committee of the Whole Bill 3, 20, 22
		Bill 3, 20, 22
		Bill 3, 20, 22 Second Reading

Wednesday, November 22	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 29
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 3, 20, 22, 28
		Third Reading
		based on progress Tuesday in consultation with Opposition
		And as per Order Paper
Thursday, November 23	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Government Motions
		Motion 15
		Second Reading
		Bill 29
		Third Reading
		Bill 3, 20, 22, 28
		And as per Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 73(1) allowing for the Second Reading consideration of Bill 26, Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act.

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

Bill 26 Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act — Hon. Mr. Klein on behalf of Mr. Stevens

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 Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 26 Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act - Mr. Stevens

Third Reading

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 73(1) allowing for the Third Reading consideration of Bill 26, Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act.

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 26 Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act - Mr. Stevens

Speaker's Statement

The Speaker read the text of Bill 26, Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act, into the record.

Bill 26 Holocaust Memorial Day and Genocide Remembrance Act

WHEREAS the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewish men, women and children by the Nazis and their collaborators between 1933 and 1945, and this horrific event is part of our common history as citizens on this earth;

WHEREAS the Nazis and their collaborators murdered 6 million Jewish people, including more than a million children, during that time of persecution and death;

WHEREAS the Nazis and their collaborators also persecuted and murdered millions of other people because of their race, religion, level of physical or mental ability or sexual orientation;

WHEREAS, during World War II, Albertans bravely served as members of the Canadian Armed Forces, and many Albertans paid the ultimate price, their lives, to protect and preserve freedom and democracy;

WHEREAS "Shoah" is the Hebrew term for "Holocaust";

WHEREAS it is fitting and right to observe Yom ha-Shoah, the Day of the Holocaust, as a day to remember the victims and survivors of the Holocaust and to honour those who fought to defeat tyranny and genocide;

WHEREAS this day provides Albertans with the opportunity:

- to look within themselves, reflect on the enduring lessons of the Holocaust and educate their children, their colleagues and their fellow citizens on the perils of hatred,
- to consider other times and incidents of systematic violence, genocide, persecution, racism and hatred that call out to us from the past or continue today, and
- to reaffirm their commitment to uphold the human rights of all and to value diversity and the multicultural richness of Alberta society;

WHEREAS on Yom ha-Shoah we will remember, for we must never forget;

THEREFORE HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1 Yom ha-Shoah, the Day of the Holocaust as determined in each year by the Jewish lunar calendar, is proclaimed as Holocaust Memorial Day - Yom ha-Shoah.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 4:03 p.m., until Monday, November 20, 2000, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 16, 2000