



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 10

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Wednesday, May 2, 2001

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

Presenting Petitions

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 28 Calgary residents requesting that no public funds be used to settle Stockwell Day's defamation litigation.

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, presented a petition from 25 Edmonton residents requesting that no public funds be used to settle Stockwell Day's defamation litigation.

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, presented a petition from 31 Calgary residents requesting that no public funds be used to settle Stockwell Day's defamation litigation.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly of Alberta to urge the Government of Alberta to introduce amendments to the Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Act to allow Alberta health professionals to opt out of those medical procedures that offend a tenet of their religion, or their belief that human life is sacred.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Ms Graham, Chair, Select Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following report:

Mr. Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order 94, the Standing Committee on Private Bills has reviewed the petitions that were presented Monday, April 30, 2001, and can advise the House that all but 2 of the petitions comply with Standing Orders 85 to 89.

The Committee has considered the remaining petitions and recommends to the Assembly that Standing Order 89(1)(b) be waived for the petition for Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer Amendment Act, 2001, subject to the petitioner completing the necessary advertising before the Committee hears the petitioner. The Committee also recommends that the petition for Western Union Insurance Company Amendment Act, 2001, be deemed to have satisfied the requirements for advertising under Standing Order 86(1)(b).

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development:

Information bulletin dated May 2, 2001, entitled "Inaugural Grant MacEwan Author Awards presented" prepared by Alberta Community Development
Sessional Paper 134/2001

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

The National Child Benefit Progress Report 2000, with attached news release dated May 1, 2001, entitled "Alberta families benefit from the National Child Benefit" prepared by the Alberta Government; news release dated April 30, 2001, entitled "Fewer children are living in poverty says National Child Benefit Progress Report 2000" prepared by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Social Services; and document entitled "National Child Benefit Progress Report 2000 Backgrounder"

Sessional Paper 135/2001

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Architects Act, cA-44.1, s6(4):

Alberta Association of Architects, Annual Report 2000

Sessional Paper 136/2001

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Forestry Profession Act, cF-15.5, s6(4):

Alberta Registered Professional Foresters Association (ARPFA), 1998-99 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 137/2001

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Certified General Accountants Act, cC-3.6, s9(2):

Certified General Accountants Association of Alberta, 2000 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 138/2001

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Land Surveyors Act, cL-4.1, s9(4):

Alberta Land Surveyors' Association, Report of Proceedings of the Ninety-first Annual General Meeting

Sessional Paper 139/2001

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

Report dated June 30, 2000, entitled "Certified Management Accountants of Alberta, Financial Statements"

Sessional Paper 140/2001

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy:

News release dated April 25, 2001, entitled "EUB (Alberta Energy and Utilities Board) plans for public safety and sour gas" prepared by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board

Sessional Paper 141/2001

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

Report dated January 1996, entitled "Integrity in Government in Alberta: Towards the Twenty First Century, Report of the Conflicts of Interest Act Review Panel" prepared by Patricia Newman, Francis M. Saville, Q.C., and Allan Tupper (Chair)
Sessional Paper 142/2001

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

Letter dated January 10, 1994, from the Pine Shake and Shingle Bureau, unaddressed, regarding the pine shakes certification program under review by the Minister of Labour, provided 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

Sessional Paper 143/2001

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

162 letters dated March 19, 2001, from Calgary residents to Jane Cawthorne, Public School Board Trustee, Wards 6 and 7, expressing opposition to the proposed closure of the Glenmeadows Elementary School

Sessional Paper 144/2001

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter dated February 26, 2001, from Anne Brown, Spokesperson, Heartland Citizen's Coalition, expressing opposition to by-laws being proposed by Sturgeon County, Lamont County, Strathcona County, and the City of Fort Saskatchewan, regarding the re-zoning of land for industrial development

Sessional Paper 145/2001

Lakeside Leader article dated January 19, 2000, entitled "Dutch story angers High Prairie man" regarding the Alberta Government allowing chemical waste to be imported to the Swan Hills Waste Treatment Centre from other countries, with attached copy of the same article produced in a Dutch newspaper

Sessional Paper 146/2001

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Copy of the BPSCG (Battersea Power Station Community Group) web site home page

Sessional Paper 147/2001

The Sunday Times article dated April 8, 2001, entitled "Battersea's new pulling power" regarding the conversion of the Battersea power station in London, England into a tourist attraction and business centre

Sessional Paper 148/2001

Copy of information from the Steam Plant Square web site, regarding the conversion of the Spokane, Washington steam plant into office and retail space
Sessional Paper 149/2001

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

4 articles from the Lancet medical journal, the first dated November 1999, entitled "How the World Trade Organisation is shaping domestic policies in health care," the second, undated, entitled "Sleep less in Seattle," the third dated April 1997 entitled "The self-interest case for US global health cooperation," and the fourth dated February 1998, entitled "World health: Globalisation of International Health"

Sessional Paper 150/2001

Report dated September 2000, entitled "Concerns With Conflict of Interest and the Calgary Regional Health Authority" prepared by the United Nurses of Alberta Health Sciences Association of Alberta

Sessional Paper 151/2001

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

Letter dated April 8, 2001, from Margaret Coutts, President, Red Deer River Naturalists, requesting that the public be allowed input into a forest management agreement between the Alberta Government and Spray Lakes Sawmills

Sessional Paper 152/2001

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, tabled the following:

Letter dated May 2, 2001, from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy, to Lorne Olsvik, President, Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA), responding to Mr. Olsvik's letter dated May 1, 2001, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding a lack of competition among major power corporations in Alberta

Sessional Paper 153/2001

Recognitions

Mr. Masyk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood: 1999 Great Kids Awards recipient Coral Chovjka of Edmonton, and Kenman Gan, who will receive an honourable mention award on May 4, 2001

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West: Nellie Laboucan, who passed away on March 14, 2001, at the age of 114

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: International Day of the Midwife, May 5, 2001

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs: Teachers Tracy Lynne Poulin and Warren Griffin Letchford, finalists in the Excellence in Teaching awards program for the Edmonton Catholic and Public School Boards

Mr. McClelland, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford: Teachers Carla-Joan Fahlman and Barbara Lynn Forbes, finalists in the Excellence in Teaching awards program for the Edmonton Catholic and Public School Boards

Mr. Jacobs, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner: Teacher Wilco Timensen of Taber, finalist in the Excellence in Teaching awards program

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona: Audrey Cormak, President of the Alberta Federation of Labour, and her decision not to seek a fourth term in this position

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ1, WQ2, WQ3.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR1, MR2, MR3, MR4, MR5, MR6, MR7, MR8, MR9, MR10, MR11, MR12, MR13.

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 Medicare Protection Act — Mr. Mason

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 7

Blakeman	Mason	Pannu
Bonner	Massey	Taft
Carlson		

Against the motion: 44

Abbott	Horner	Ouellette
Ady	Jacobs	Rathgeber
Broda	Jonson	Renner
Cao	Lord	Shariff
Cardinal	Lougheed	Snelgrove
Cenaiko	Lukaszuk	Stelmach
Danyluk	Lund	Stevens
DeLong	Marz	Strang
Friedel	Masyk	Tannas
Fritz	McClellan	Tarchuk
Gordon	McClelland	Taylor
Graham	McFarland	VanderBurg
Haley	Melchin	Vandermeer
Herard	Norris	Zwozdesky
Hlady	O'Neill	

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

Bill 205 Municipal Government (Farming Practices Protection) Amendment Act,
2001 — Mrs. Gordon

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:23 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply and the Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2001 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 3 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Lougheed reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002, for the Departments and purposes indicated:

Health and Wellness

\$6,241,417,000 Operating Expense and Capital Investment

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 1 Natural Gas Price Protection Act — Hon. Mr. Klein

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:21 p.m. until Thursday, May 3, 2001, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 2, 2001