

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 30

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Tuesday, November 20, 2001

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

Presenting Petitions

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 500 Albertans requesting that the Government of Alberta provide health care coverage for medical supplies for diabetic children and financial assistance to parents for costs associated with the special dietary requirements of their children.

Notices of Motions

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Wednesday, November 21, 2001:

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Written Question: WQ5.

Motions for Returns: MR14, MR15, MR16, MR17.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 214 Alberta Wheat and Barley Test Market Act - Mr. Hlady

Bill 215 Health Insurance Premiums Act Repeal Act — Mr. Vandermeer

Bill 218 School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001 - Dr. Massey

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier:

Memorandum dated November 20, 2001, from Fay Orr, Managing Director, Public Affairs Bureau, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, in response to a question raised in the Legislative Assembly on November 19, 2001, regarding staffing levels at the Public Affairs Bureau

Sessional Paper 425/2001

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

Responses to questions raised on May 9, 2001, Department of Human Resources and Employment, 2001-02 Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 426/2001

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 2000-2001

Sessional Paper 427/2001

Mr. Knight, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky:

13 letters dated May 8, 2001, from Grande Prairie-Smoky constituents to Hon. Mrs. Nelson, Minister of Finance, supporting Bill 207, Alberta Personal Income Tax (Tools Deduction) Amendment Act, 2001

Sessional Paper 428/2001

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

Document, undated, advertising Homelessness Action Day on November 22, 2001, prepared by the Edmonton Coalition on Homelessness

Sessional Paper 429/2001

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

26 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 430/2001

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

"Sustainable Calgary State of Our City Report, 2001" prepared by the Sustainable Calgary State of Our City Project

Sessional Paper 431/2001

11 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 432/2001

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

26 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 433/2001

Chart, undated, entitled "Alberta's Reserves 2000 and Supply/Demand Outlook/Crude Oil" setting out the remaining established reserves of crude oil for 1976 to 2000 and the total conventional crude oil reserves additions and reassessments for 1986 to 2000, prepared by the EUB (Energy and Utilities Board)

Sessional Paper 434/2001

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

26 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 435/2001

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

15 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 436/2001

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

26 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 437/2001

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated October 20, 2001, from Carmela Travak of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, requesting that the Government review financial assistance levels for dependent adults

Sessional Paper 438/2001

26 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 439/2001

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Ombudsman Act, cO-7, s27:

Office of the Ombudsman, 34th Annual Report for the period April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001

Sessional Paper 440/2001

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

Office of the Ombudsman, Financial Statements as at March 31, 2001 Sessional Paper 441/2001

Oral Question Period

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

News release dated November 20, 2001, entitled "Region lowers spending by \$30M; no reductions in frontline services" prepared by the Calgary Health Region Sessional Paper 442/2001

Members' Statements

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, made a statement regarding George Ho Lem Sr., businessman, former Calgary Alderman and Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Horner, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, made a statement regarding Jack O'Neill, on being nominated as a member of the Order of Canada.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the Sustainable Calgary State of Our City Project and the 2001 State of Our City Report.

Mr. Ouellette, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, made a statement regarding the multi-facility Fox Run school in Sylvan Lake on winning the Council of Educational Facility Planners International Design Award.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

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 Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 207 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Tools Deduction) Amendment Act, 2001 — Mr. Lougheed

Mr. Johnson, Acting Chair 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 207 (Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster) — Debate adjourned

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Motions Other Than Government Motions

508. Moved by Mrs. Gordon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prioritize restructuring of the parameters for delivering province-wide services such as Renal Dialysis and Multiple Sclerosis Special Therapy programs to focus more on patient need and outcome with emphasis given to service delivery closer to the patient's principal residence.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(4), the question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 53

| Ady | Graydon | McClelland |
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| Amery | Haley | Nelson |
| Blakeman | Hancock | Nicol |
| Bonner | Hlady | Oberg |
| Boutilier | Horner | O'Neill |
| Broda | Jablonski | Ouellette |
| Calahasen | Jacobs | Rathgeber |
| Cao | Klapstein | Renner |
| Carlson | Knight | Shariff |
| Cenaiko | Lord | Strang |
| Danyluk | Lougheed | Taft |
| DeLong | Lund | Tannas |
| Doerksen | Magnus | Taylor |
| Dunford | Marz | Vanderburg |
| Forsyth | Maskell | Vandermeer |
| Fritz | Massey | Yankowsky |
| Gordon | Masyk | Zwozdesky |
| Goudreau | McClellan | - |

Against the motion: 0

509. Moved by Dr. Taft:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require Regional Health Authorities to collect and publicly release information on private health care providers whom they contract with, including details regarding services provided, public funding received and charges to individuals.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(c), debate adjourned, Dr. Taft speaking.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 29 Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – Mr. Magnus

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

Bill 28 Agricultural Operation Practices Amendment Act, 2001 — Mr. Klapstein

A debate followed.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after the word "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 28, Agricultural Operation Practices Amendment Act, 2001, be not now read a Second time, but that it be read a Second time this day six months hence.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The question for Second Reading of Bill 28 being immediately put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2001 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 27 Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2001 - Hon. Mr. Hancock

Bill 29 Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – Mr. Magnus

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 28 Agricultural Operation Practices Amendment Act, 2001 - Mr. Klapstein

Mr. VanderBurg, Acting Chair 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 28 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands) — Defeated

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Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:58 p.m. until Wednesday, November 21, 2001, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, November 20, 2001

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