



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, April 11, 2002

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

Point of Privilege

During Oral Question Period, Ms Carlson, Official Opposition House Leader, gave notice of a purported point of privilege.

Members' Statements

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the Edson Atoms hockey team on winning a silver medal in the Sturgeon-Pembina Atom B2 league playoffs in Sangudo, the Edson Credit Union Canadians hockey team on winning a gold medal in the Sturgeon-Pembina Atom B league playoffs, and the Edson Legion Sabres hockey team on winning the provincial Midget A tournament, all in March 2002.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, made a statement regarding the fiscal management policies of the Progressive Conservative Government.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding National Wildlife Week, April 7-13, 2002.

Rev. Abbott, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar, made a statement regarding the Drayton Valley Thunder junior hockey team on winning the Alberta Junior A hockey championships held in Grande Prairie on April 10, 2002, and the Drayton Valley Council on being the first Canadian city to join the International Association of Character Cities.

Presenting Petitions

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 535 Albertans requesting the Government's support to establish the Chinchaga wilderness as a protected area.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 115 Albertans requesting the Government not delist services, raise health care premiums, introduce user fees or further privatize health care.

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 Monday, April 15, 2002:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Pastoral letter, undated, from XF. B. Henry, Bishop of Calgary, commenting on and expressing concerns regarding Bill 12, Education Services Settlement Act
Sessional Paper 210/2002

2 letters dated April 10, 2002, from Harry Urwin and Georgina Lawrence-Donald, both of Calgary, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concerns regarding the Chinook Health Region's funding difficulties and the potential closure or reduction in service at the hospital in Fort Macleod
Sessional Paper 211/2002

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

Letter dated April 9, 2002, from J. Lawrence Tymko, Chair, ECLB (Edmonton Community Lottery Board) #71 Society, to Hon. Mr. Stevens, Minister of Gaming, requesting that three applications for funding originally made in the 2001-2002 fiscal year be approved
Sessional Paper 212/2002

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

Notice to Workers' Compensation Board employees regarding an information evening held on April 10, 2002, on how to join the Canadian Union of Public Employees, prepared by the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Alberta Regional Office

Sessional Paper 213/2002

Letter, undated, unaddressed from Johnson Onysty Automotive Ltd. of Edmonton, expressing support for Bill 207, Alberta Personal Income Tax (Tools Deduction) Amendment Act, 2001, and requesting that the Act be proclaimed into force

Sessional Paper 214/2002

Petition signed by 10 Albertans expressing concerns regarding, and opposition to, the Government's public emergency declaration forcing teachers back to work

Sessional Paper 215/2002

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

2 letters dated March 1, 2002 and March 12, 2002, from Joanne Cuthbertson of Calgary to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concerns about the Government's handling of the teachers' labour dispute

Sessional Paper 216/2002

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie on behalf of Dr. Nicol, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Copy of a petition signed by 60 Albertans urging the Legislative Assembly to alleviate funding constraints that impede support for persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 217/2002

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated April 3, 2002, from John C. Reid of Calgary to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concerns regarding the dissolution of the community lottery boards, requesting that the program be restored and that funding be increased for the Alberta Foundation for the Arts

Sessional Paper 218/2002

Letter dated April 2, 2002, from Shauna Kennedy of Calgary to Mr. Cenaiko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, expressing concerns regarding the closure of the Calgary Community Lottery Board and requesting the funding be restored

Sessional Paper 219/2002

Letter dated April 3, 2002, from Edwin and Chris Callaghan of Edmonton to the Alberta Council on Aging expressing concerns regarding the recent decrease in seniors' health benefits

Sessional Paper 220/2002

Pamphlet entitled "People Helping People Make a Difference" prepared by the CANDORA (CAN DO in Rundle and Abbottsfield) Society of Edmonton
Sessional Paper 221/2002

News release dated April 9, 2002, prepared by the Edmonton Community Lottery Board, announcing its dissolution effective May 31, 2002
Sessional Paper 222/2002

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

Letter dated April 10, 2002, from Con Duemler, Taxpro, to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and an associated attachment, concerning a letter from Mr. Kowalski regarding Bill 207, Alberta Personal Income Tax (Tools Deduction) Amendment Act, 2001
Sessional Paper 223/2002

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Letter dated April 8, 2002, from Joan Trettler, Chair for Board of Trustees, St. Albert Protestant Schools, to Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, expressing opposition to Bill 12, Education Services Settlement Act
Sessional Paper 224/2002

Hon. Mr. Norris, Minister of Economic Development:

Copy of a speech delivered by Ed Kilroy, Chief Executive Officer and General Manager, IBM Canada Ltd. at the IBM Centre for e-Business Innovation grand opening in Edmonton on April 10, 2002
Sessional Paper 225/2002

Mr. McFarland, Hon. Member for Little Bow:

Letter dated April 3, 2002, from Angie Stober of Hays to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, expressing support for the Government's position on the arbitration process relating to the teachers' labour dispute
Sessional Paper 226/2002

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Carlson, 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 April 15 to April 18, 2002:

Monday, April 15	9:00 p.m.	<p>- Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Government Motions</p> <p>Government Motion 23, Appointment of Auditor General</p> <p>Second Reading</p> <p>Bill 16, 20, 22</p> <p>Committee of the Whole</p> <p>Bill 11</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
Tuesday, April 16	Aft.	<p>- Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Committee of Supply</p> <p>Main Estimates (Day 9 of 24)</p> <p>Sustainable Resource Development (Designated)</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
	Eve.	<p>- Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Committee of Supply</p> <p>Main Estimates (Day 10 of 24)</p> <p>Infrastructure</p> <p>Second Reading</p> <p>Bill 16, 20, 23</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
Wednesday, April 17	Aft.	<p>- Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Committee of Supply</p> <p>Main Estimates (Day 11 of 24)</p> <p>Energy (Designated)</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>

	Eve.	-	Government Bills and Orders Committee of Supply Main Estimates (Day 12 of 24) Agriculture, Food and Rural Development Second Reading Bill 21, 23, 24, 25 And as per the Order Paper
Thursday, April 18	Aft.	-	Government Bills and Orders Committee of Supply Main Estimates (Day 13 of 24) Environment (Designated) And as per the Order Paper

Point of Privilege - Contempt

Ms Carlson, Official Opposition House Leader, raised a question of privilege - contempt of the Assembly regarding the Government's involvement with the Swan Hills Treatment Centre and an alleged breach of the Financial Administration Act.

The Speaker heard briefly from Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader who indicated that he would provide detailed comments on Monday, April 15, 2002.

The Speaker indicated that the point of privilege would be dealt with on Monday, April 15, 2002.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Unanimous Consent - Standing Order 58(4)

Hon. Mr. Zwodzesky, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 58(4) to allow the afternoon's consideration of the estimates for the Department of Human Resources and Employment to go beyond two hours, with the vote on those estimates to take place no later than 5:15 p.m., or sooner if no one wished to speak.

Committee of Supply (Day 8 — Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, and pursuant to the unanimous consent of the Assembly agreed to prior to calling Committee of Supply, at 5:15 p.m., the Committee of Supply adjourned to rise and report, 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, 2003, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Human Resources and Employment

\$1,061,451,000 Operating Expense and Capital Investment

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:19 p.m. until Monday, April 15, 2002, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, April 11, 2002