

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 44

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, November 28, 2002

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness, made a statement regarding the Romanow Commission on Health Report.

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Masyk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, made a statement regarding the possible closure of the Sprucewood Library.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, made a statement regarding the public health care system in Alberta.

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement regarding Neil Hamilton, Royal Canadian Air Force pilot and author.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding the Romanow Commission on Health Report.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Rathgeber, Chair, Select Special Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Review Committee, presented the following report:

Select Special Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Review Committee, Final Report, November 2002

Sessional Paper 651/2002

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Renner, Hon. Member for Medicine Hat, on behalf of Mr. Dunford, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, presented a petition from 5 Lethbridge residents requesting the Government remove abortion from the list of insured health services.

Mr. Renner, Hon. Member for Medicine Hat, presented a petition from 180 Albertans urging the Government to introduce legislation to make the Children's Advocate an officer of the Legislative Assembly.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 200 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 diabetic 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 Monday, December 2, 2002:

Written Questions: None appearing on the Order Paper.

Motions for Returns: None appearing on the Order Paper.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent importance, namely the effect of the Romanow Report on Alberta's health care system, which needs to be discussed publicly before closed door meetings on the implementation of the recommendations begin.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s124(2):

Audited Financial Statements and Other Financial Information of the Alberta Law Foundation, Year Ended March 31, 2002

Sessional Paper 652/2002

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West:

Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2002

Sessional Paper 653/2002

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development:

Letter dated November 27, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, to Mark Gunderson, Chairman of the Board, Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, and Elaine Calder, Chief Executive Officer, Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, congratulating the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra on its Golden Jubilee Anniversary

Sessional Paper 654/2002

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

E-mail message dated October 20, 2002, from Amber Pikula of Edmonton to Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, expressing support for the Kyoto Protocol

Sessional Paper 655/2002

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Report dated August 8, 2002, entitled "Women and Public Policy" prepared by Dawna Haslam, B.Sc., B.Ed.

Sessional Paper 656/2002

United Nations web page, entitled "Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women"

Sessional Paper 657/2002

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

News release dated March 15, 1990, entitled "Province of Alberta Launches Clean Air Strategy Consultations" prepared by Alberta Sustainable Energy Development and Alberta Environment

Sessional Paper 658/2002

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

Letter dated August 19, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, responding to Mr. MacDonald's letters dated June 17 and 18, 2002, requesting clarification or information on matters relating to the Balancing Pool

Sessional Paper 659/2002

Letter dated September 4, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, responding to Mr. MacDonald's letter dated August 14, 2002, concerning the Government's business relationship with RTO West

Sessional Paper 660/2002

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

E-mail message dated November 4, 2002, from Helene Paquin of Medicine Hat to Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, expressing concern regarding the discontinuation of seniors plans provided by Alberta Blue Cross

Sessional Paper 661/2002

Letter dated July 3, 2002, from Rev. Dr. Don Mayne, Chair, Interfaith Coalition on Health Care Edmonton, to Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, submitting concerns and recommendations regarding Mr. Mazankowski's Report of the Premier's Advisory Council on Health

Sessional Paper 662/2002

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

Copy of an ATCO Electric residential electricity bill dated November 20, 2002 Sessional Paper 663/2002

Hon. Mr. Norris, Minister of Economic Development:

Letter dated November 26, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Norris, Minister of Economic Development, to Hon. Allan Rock, Minister of Industry, expressing concern regarding information obtained from the media on an Industry Canada report projecting the impact of the Kyoto Protocol on Alberta

Sessional Paper 664/2002

Alberta Economic Development, International Offices Annual Report, 2001-2002 Sessional Paper 665/2002

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. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of December 2 to December 5, 2002:

Monday, December 2 9:00 p.m. - Government Bills and Orders
Second Reading

Bill 38

Committee of	the	Whole
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Bill 31, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38

And as per the Order Paper

Tuesday, December 3 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 30-2, 31

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**

Committee of the Whole

Bill 33, 34, 35, 37

Third Reading

Bill 25, 30-2, 31, 33, 34, 35,

37, 38

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, December 4 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 25, 30-2, 31, 33, 34, 37

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**

Committee of the Whole

Bill 33, 34, 35, 37

Third Reading

Bill 30-2, 31, 33, 37

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, December 5 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 30-2, 31, 33, 37

And as per the Order Paper

Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the effect of the Romanow Report on Alberta's health care system, which needs to be discussed publicly before closed door meetings on implementation of the recommendations begin.

A debate followed on urgency.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was in order. Leave being granted, the question was put to the Assembly. When 6 Members rose in their places, with Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 9

BlakemanMacDonaldNicolBonnerMasonPannuCarlsonMasseyTaft

Against the motion: 38

Abbott Haley McFarland Broda Hancock Nelson Herard Cao Norris Cardinal Horner Pham Coutts Hutton Renner DeLong Jablonski Shariff Dunford Jonson Snelgrove Evans Klapstein Strang Forsyth Kryczka Tannas Friedel Lord Vandermeer Gordon Lougheed Woloshyn Goudreau Lukaszuk Zwozdesky Graham Lund

As less than 15 Members rose in support of the motion, debate did not proceed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 33 North Red Deer Water Authorization Act — Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, on behalf of Hon. Dr. Taylor

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

Bill 37 Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2002 — Rev. Abbott

A debate followed.

Ms Carlson moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:14 p.m. until Monday, December 2, 2002, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 28, 2002