



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 13

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Tuesday, May 8, 2001

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, presented a petition from 153 Albertans requesting that the Government introduce amendments to the Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Act to allow health professionals to opt out of certain medical procedures.

Mrs. Ady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, presented a petition from 700 Calgary residents requesting that the Government support legislation to protect health professionals from participating in certain medical procedures without fear of discrimination or penalty.

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, May 9, 2001:

Written Questions: WQ1, WQ2.

Motions for Returns: MR1, MR2, MR3, MR4, MR5, MR6, MR7, MR8, MR9, MR10.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 11 Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2001 — Hon. Mr. Dunford

Bill 208 Alberta Official Song Act — Mr. Cao

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. Forsyth, Solicitor General:

Victims Programs Status Report 1999/2000, prepared by Alberta Justice
Sessional Paper 175/2001

Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development:

Responses to questions asked by Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, on April 30, 2001, during Second Reading consideration of Bill 3, Fisheries (Alberta) Amendment Act, 2001
Sessional Paper 176/2001

Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning:

The School Administrator magazine, dated May 2001, featuring a variety of articles regarding the Edmonton public school system
Sessional Paper 177/2001

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

Report of the Minister's Committee on Employment Leave for Parents, dated January 2001
Sessional Paper 178/2001

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West:

336 letters dated April 25-30, 2001, from Calgary residents to Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, expressing support for the construction of a core elementary school on the Battalion Park mini school site
Sessional Paper 179/2001

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose:

Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (AADAC) Corporate Business Plan (2001/2002-2003/2004)
Sessional Paper 180/2001

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

48 letters dated March 19, 2001, from Calgary residents to Jane Cawthorne, Public School Board Trustee, Wards 6 and 7, opposing a recommendation made by the Centre West Path Finding Team to close the Glenmeadows Elementary School, effectively eliminating the Glenmeadows' before-and-after-school and summer programs

Sessional Paper 181/2001

Petition dated March 19, 2001, signed by 75 Calgary residents to the Board of Trustees, Calgary Board of Education, opposing a recommendation made by the Centre West Path Finding Team to close the Glenmeadows Elementary School, effectively eliminating the Glenmeadows' before-and-after-school and summer programs

Sessional Paper 182/2001

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

Letter dated May 1, 2001, from Renee Seitz of Medicine Hat to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, expressing concern regarding education budget cuts resulting in three grades being taught in one class by one teacher at the Manyberries School for the 2001-2002 school year

Sessional Paper 183/2001

Members' Statements

Mrs. Ady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, made a statement regarding funding and volunteer support for victims programs.

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (AADAC) and its 50th anniversary on September 27, 2001.

Mr. Shariff, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding the Dr. Taj Jadavji and Dr. Vettivelu Nallainayagam, recipients of the Calgary Immigrant Aid Society's 5th Annual Immigrants of Distinction Awards.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, made a statement regarding inner-city school closures by the Edmonton public and separate school boards.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(b), debate adjourned, Hon. Mr. Lund speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

502. Moved by Mr. Fischer:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the possibility of increasing investment dollars in agriculture and the agricultural industry through the use of a tax vehicle in the form of flow through shares.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

503. Moved by Dr. Nicol:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prepare annually a detailed cost-benefit analysis of the impact of electricity deregulation on the utility bills on all classes of customers in Alberta which must be released to the public.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(c), debate adjourned, Mr. MacDonald speaking.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 12 Farm Implement Amendment Act, 2001 — Mr. Horner

Bill 13 Farm Implement Dealerships Act — Mr. Goudreau

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

Bill 16 School Amendment Act, 2001 — Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon.
Dr. Oberg

Dr. Massey moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:24 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.

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2001 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 6 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Johnson 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:

International and Intergovernmental Relations

\$6,104,000 Operating Expense

Economic Development

\$51,455,000 Operating Expense

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, the Assembly adjourned at 10:33 p.m. until Wednesday, May 9, 2001, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, May 8, 2001