



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 20

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Tuesday, May 22, 2001

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

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 23, 2001:

Written Questions: WQ4, WQ6.

Motions for Returns: MR11, MR12, MR13.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to stop making decisions that: could provoke province-wide job action by Alberta's teachers; interfere in free collective bargaining; and have already raised serious concerns on the part of school boards.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy:

Power Pool of Alberta, Annual Report 2000

Sessional Paper 241/2001

Balancing Pool for Alberta's Electricity Consumers, Annual Report 2000
Sessional Paper 242/2001

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

Letter dated May 17, 2001, from Dr. Morag Pansegrau, Chair, Board of Trustees, St. Albert Protestant Schools, to Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, expressing concern regarding, and opposition to, the provisions of Bill 16, School Amendment Act, 2001, relating to the expansion of Catholic education in Alberta
Sessional Paper 243/2001

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

Alberta Teachers' Association annual representative assembly resolution dated May 20, 2001, regarding school board funding
Sessional Paper 244/2001

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

E-mail message dated April 30, 2001, from Will Lusena of Calgary to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development, Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, and Mr. Hlady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, expressing concern regarding a proposed forest management agreement (FMA) in the Kananaskis area that may be finalized in spite of the fact that it is not part of a comprehensive land use plan for that area
Sessional Paper 245/2001

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

Energy Prices and Taxes-Quarterly Statistics (Third Quarter 2000) table, entitled "Natural Gas Prices for Electricity Generation-U.S. Dollars per 10⁷ Kilocalories (Gross Calorific Value)" prepared by Paris: International Energy Agency, 2001, setting out natural gas prices for the years 1994-1999 in a variety of countries
Sessional Paper 246/2001

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

Letter dated March 27, 2001, from Mary J. Cameron, President and CEO (Chief Executive Officer), Workers' Compensation Board, to Ralph Canham of Calgary regarding concerns expressed by Mr. Canham surrounding his Workers' Compensation Board claim and the cost of a replacement wheel chair
Sessional Paper 247/2001

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Children's Services, made a statement declaring May 20-26, 2001 Missing Children's Week, commenting on the recent death of Jessica Koopmans, and noting that Child Find Alberta raises child safety awareness in Alberta.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Lord, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding crosswalk safety and National Road Safety Week, May 18-24, 2001.

Mrs. Gordon, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Stettler, made a statement regarding a proposal by Meridian Industries Inc. to build 7 agrifood processing plants and 3 manufacturing plants in Lacombe, Alberta.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the history and current issues of the Alberta Teachers' Association.

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement regarding Debbie Muir, Olympic synchro swimming coach, and Alberta Sports Hall of Fame inductee.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to stop making decisions that: could provoke province-wide job action by Alberta's teachers; interfere in free collective bargaining; and have already raised serious concerns on the part of school boards.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

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

A debate followed.

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

Motions Other Than Government Motions

506. Moved by Ms Kryczka:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to identify palliative care as a core service in each Regional Health Authority to ensure the availability of a coordinated continuum of care and support services for end-of-life care with access to palliative community services (palliative home and hospice care), acute care, consultation services for physicians, staff and patients, and tertiary care.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(4), the question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Herard, Hon. Member for Calgary-Egmont, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to move Motion Other Than Government Motion 505 at this time.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

507. Moved by Mr. Cao:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped recipients transferring to a non-exempt income, such as the Canadian Pension Plan Disability program, retain medical benefits until similar income limits are reached that disqualify medical benefits to Partially Exempt Income Earners under the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped program.

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

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

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

Bill 15 Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2001 — Mr. Graydon

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 Supply and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2001 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 13 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting 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:

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development

\$20,210,000 Operating Expense

Innovation and Science

\$204,458,000 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. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:33 p.m. until Wednesday, May 23, 2001, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, May 22, 2001