

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 22

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, May 24, 2001

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

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Report, undated, entitled "Unified Family Court Task Force Report and Recommendations" prepared by the Government of Alberta

Sessional Paper 261/2001

Mr. McFarland, Hon. Member for Little Bow:

Letter dated May 14, 2001, from Marlene McCann, Chairperson, Board of Trustees, Palliser Regional Schools, to Mr. McFarland, Hon. Member for Little Bow, expressing opposition to the provisions of Bill 16, School Amendment Act, 2001, relating to the establishment of a new process for facilitating the expansion of separate school education, and the provisions relating to the governance of separate and Francophone education

Sessional Paper 262/2001

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead:

Letter dated May 14, 2001, from Diana Zier-Vogel, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Grande Yellowhead Regional Division No. 35, to Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, expressing opposition to the provisions of Bill 16, School Amendment Act, 2001, relating to the establishment of a new process for facilitating the expansion of separate school education, and the provisions relating to the governance of separate and Francophone education

Sessional Paper 263/2001

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter, undated, from Gordon McIntosh of Edmonton to the Editor, Edmonton Journal, expressing concerns regarding drive-by shootings in the Millwoods area, and requesting that all levels of Government work together in finding a solution to gun issues relating to young people

Sessional Paper 264/2001

Letter dated April 2, 2001, from Tila Pelletier, Vice President, Policy, Alberta Young Liberals, and Howard Yeung, Vice President, Communications, University of Alberta Student Liberal Association, to Dr. Nicol, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, and Ms Carlson, Official Opposition House Leader, expressing concerns regarding the lack of a properly functioning parliamentary democracy in Alberta, and suggesting several items to be addressed by the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing

Sessional Paper 265/2001

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

Memorandum dated July 24, 1995, from Rod Kaminski, Contaminated Sites and Decommissioning Branch, Environmental Protection, to Rob Kemp, Industrial Wastes Branch, Environmental Protection, listing concerns regarding Hub Oil's application for a Renewal Licence to Operate

Sessional Paper 266/2001

Memorandum to Hub Oil File dated December 7, 1993, from Jack Scissons, City and Community Planning Division #8108, City of Calgary, regarding recommendations by Gurdon Peck, Alberta Environmental Protection, for environmental changes at Hub Oil

Sessional Paper 267/2001

Letter dated February 6, 1996, from A. Shimbashi, P. Eng., General Manager, Hub Oil Company Ltd., to Rob Kemp, Alberta Environmental Protection, listing comments regarding Hub Oil's application for a Renewal Licence to Operate

Sessional Paper 268/2001

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated May 15, 2001, from Greg B. Schmidt, Executive Director, Family Ties, to Dr. Nicol, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, expressing concerns regarding funding cuts to the Sun Country Child and Family Services Board

Sessional Paper 269/2001

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

Membership form from the Alberta Society for Pension Reform

Sessional Paper 270/2001

Pension formula and impact of salary rollback/wage freeze summary dated May 16, 2001, prepared by the Alberta Society for Pension Reform for the Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund, the Public Service Pension Plan, and the Local Authorities Pension Plan

Sessional Paper 271/2001

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

Letter dated March 20, 2001, from Keith Brown of High River to Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, expressing opposition to the Government granting licences for logging and oil development in the Bighorn wildland park Sessional Paper 272/2001

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

Report dated May 18, 2001, entitled "Action Alert - Help Stop Meridian Dam - Billion \$ Project Will Destroy National Wildlife Area" prepared by the Alberta Wilderness Association

Sessional Paper 273/2001

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, tabled the following:

Document, undated, entitled "Average Teachers Salaries for the Provinces" listing the minimums and maximums for teachers' salaries in all the provinces for teachers with 4, 5, and 6 years of education

Sessional Paper 274/2001

Members' Statements

Ms Graham, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement regarding the Unified Family Court Task Force.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the independence of the judiciary.

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the opening of the Hinton Government Centre on May 15, 2001.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding bird habitat, and support for endangered species and endangered habitat legislation.

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 May 28 to May 31, 2001:

Monday, May 28

Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

Committee of the Whole or
Third Reading

As per progress
And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders
Second Reading

As per afternoon progress

Committee of the Whole

Bill 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

Second Reading

Bill 20

Tuesday, May 29 (4:30) - Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 1, 2, 7

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**

Second Reading

Private Bills per Tuesday's Report

Committee of the Whole

Private Bills per Tuesday's Report

Bill 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

Third Reading

As per progress

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, May 30 Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Private Bills

Committee of the Whole

As per progress Tuesday evening

Third Reading

Bill 20

And as per progress Tuesday

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, May 31 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Royal Assent

Bill 3, 4, 5, 6, 20

And as per progress Wednesday

Private Bills

And as per the Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Day 15 — Main Estimates)

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

(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 Department and purposes indicated:

Environment

\$117,225,000 Operating Expense and Capital Investment

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Hon Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Introduction of Bills.

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 20 Appropriation Act, 2001 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 19 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2001 — Hon. Mr. Hancock

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

Bill 17 Insurance Amendment Act, 2001 — Ms Graham

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Dr. Taft speaking.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until Monday, May 28, 2001, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 24, 2001