

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

April 25, 2000

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Trustee T. Sulyma

SUBJECT: Motion Regarding Bill 11

RECOMMENDATION

That the chairman of the board write a letter to the Premier, the Minister of Health, the Associate Minister of Health and Wellness, and the Minister of Learning indicating our concern over Bill 11.

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Notice of the above motion was served at the April 17, 2000 board meeting.

Rationale

- Government health care costs are increasing and with higher premiums our costs for staff will increase and consequently these additional costs would take dollars from the classrooms.
- There tends to be a trend of off-loading more publicly insured services to the private domain such as ASEBP where premiums are increasing.
- The decision to ignore research and other evidence regarding public policy that is consistent with good governance will have great implications for health services and have direct and indirect effects on the classrooms.

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