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Thursday, June 11, 2015

This being the first Day of the First Session of the Twenty-Ninth Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, for the despatch of business pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour Colonel (Retired) the Honourable Donald S. Ethell, OC, OMM, AOE, MSC, CD, LLD, Lieutenant Governor, dated the 3rd day of June in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen;

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly read the Proclamation as follows:

[GREAT SEAL]

CANADA
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

COLONEL (RETIRED) DONALD S. ETHELL,
Lieutenant Governor.

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada,
and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth,
Defender of the Faith

PROCLAMATION

TO OUR FAITHFUL, the MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of
Our Province of Alberta and to each and every one of you

GREETING

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient for certain causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta for the First Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on Thursday, the 11th day of June, 2015, at the hour of 1:30 in the afternoon, at Our City of Edmonton, personally be and appear, for the despatch of business, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in the Legislature of Our Province of Alberta, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

Kim Armstrong, QC
Deputy Attorney General and
Associate Deputy Minister,
Justice and Solicitor General

HEREIN FAIL NOT

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of Alberta to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: COLONEL (RETIRED) THE HONOURABLE DONALD S. ETHELL, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of Alberta, in Our City of Edmonton in Our Province of Alberta, this 3rd day of June in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen and in the Sixty-fourth Year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND:

KATHLEEN GANLEY,
Provincial Secretary.

The Members, having previously been duly sworn in by Her Honour the Administrator and having subscribed to the Roll containing the Oath, took their seats.

Her Honour the Administrator entered the Assembly and took her seat on the Throne.

Statement by the Provincial Secretary

The Provincial Secretary, Hon. Ms Ganley, then said:

Honourable Members, I am commanded by Her Honour the Administrator to inform you that she does not see fit to declare the causes of her summoning of the present Legislature of this Province until the Speaker of the Assembly shall have been chosen according to law.

She therefore is pleased to retire from this Assembly, to return at a subsequent hour on the next sitting day, to declare the causes of her calling of this Legislature.

Her Honour the Administrator then retired from the Assembly.

Election of Speaker

The Clerk advised the House that nominations were open, and the following Members were nominated and allowed their names to stand for the position of Speaker:

Mr. Wanner, nominated by Mr. Hinkley;

Mr. Rodney, nominated by Dr. Starke.

The following Members were nominated but declined the nomination:

Ms Jansen, nominated by Mrs. Pitt;

Ms McLean, nominated by Mrs. Pitt;

Ms Renaud, nominated by Mrs. Aheer.

Receiving no additional nominations, the Clerk declared nominations closed.

Ballots were completed by the Members.

The Clerk, Table Officers, and Sergeant-at-Arms retired from the Chamber to count the ballots.

Election Results

The Clerk then announced the following:

The results of the first ballot for the election of the Speaker are as follows: the number of ballots cast, 86; the number of spoiled ballots, 1; the number of votes required to achieve the 50 percent plus one majority, 44; the Member having received the majority of votes cast, Mr. Wanner. Mr. Wanner is hereby declared Speaker of the Legislative Assembly for the 29th Legislature.

Speaker's Address to the Assembly

The Speaker donned his robe. The Speaker thanked the Assembly for the honour conferred upon him and thanked the Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose for putting his name forward.

A moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of Edmonton Police Service Constable Daniel Woodall, who was killed in the line of duty on June 8, 2015.

The Speaker took the Chair and the Sergeant-at-Arms placed the Mace on the Table.

The Speaker delivered the prayer.

Let us pray and let us reflect together on this day of a new beginning. We ask for guidance in the responsibility we have undertaken and help in fulfilling our duties. As Members of this Legislative Assembly may we faithfully serve all Albertans and, in serving them, serve you. Amen.

The Speaker then made the following speech:

This building has tradition, heritage, and history buried in the very oak and marble that surround us. It is important to remember that this Assembly started in a school, with wooden floors and wooden desks and chalkboards. The building that we are in now in all its splendour, however, is simply a symbol, a symbol of what well-intentioned people can do when they choose to decide to work together to make a better world.

Hard work, cooperation, persistence, and a dedication to a freedom of thought and life, a freedom that sees diversity as a strength and compassion and public good as the critical veins of our democracy: it is, my fellow Assembly Members, these values that give us all hope and confidence in our future, hope that our children will build upon what we may have made and, more importantly, that the long term will build investments for our grandchildren. It is hope and confidence that binds us all together.

Our belief in the Westminster model of parliamentary democracy is what brings us all together in this room as representatives of our citizens. It is not a perfect institution. It has had its failings. It has, however, a tradition that has passed the test of time. As an Assembly of representatives we must together find the balance between preserving that tradition while at the same time judiciously managing the change that is necessary. Change sometimes requires courage.

Our freedom of rights brings with it a humbling sense of responsibility, the responsibility to use our collective good judgment to make decisions, to respect this institution, the people we serve, and each other. People have died for our freedom. Our words and our actions and our engagement with each other must always represent our respect for those who have paid the ultimate price. That is the reason that we are here.

It is these essential interests and values that I believe all 86 of us share together. We must find new ways to set aside our positions and focus on our collective interests. I feel privileged beyond any words that I might be able to find to say that I feel truly honoured to be one of you. I would humbly ask for your patience, your support, and your advice as we move through the next four years together. We must find a way of working together and making this great province and its great people a better place than when we found it. Thank you.

Election of Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committees

The Speaker advised the House that nominations were open, and the following Members were nominated and allowed their names to stand for the position of Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committees:

Ms Jabbour, nominated by Mr. Shepherd;

Mr. Rodney, nominated by Dr. Starke.

Receiving no additional nominations, the Speaker declared nominations closed.

Ballots were completed by the Members.

The Clerk, Table Officers, and Sergeant-at-Arms retired from the Chamber to count the ballots.

Election Results

The Clerk then announced the following:

The results of the first ballot for the election of the Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committees are as follows: the number of ballots cast, 84; the number of spoiled ballots, 2; the number of votes required to achieve the 50 percent plus one majority, 43; the Member having received the majority of votes cast, Ms Jabbour. Ms Jabbour is hereby declared Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committees of the Legislative Assembly for the 29th Legislature.

Ms Jabbour thanked the Assembly for electing her Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committees.

Election of Deputy Chair of Committees

The Speaker advised the House that nominations were open, and the following Members were nominated and allowed their names to stand for the position of Deputy Chair of Committees:

Mr. Feehan, nominated by Ms Gray;

Mr. Rodney, nominated by Mr. McIver.

Receiving no additional nominations, the Speaker declared nominations closed.

Ballots were completed by the Members.

The Clerk, Table Officers, and Sergeant-at-Arms retired from the Chamber to count the ballots.

Election Results

The Clerk then announced the following:

The results of the first ballot for the election of the Deputy Chair of Committees are as follows: the number of ballots cast, 84; the number of spoiled ballots, 1; the number of votes required to achieve the 50 percent plus one majority, 43; the Member having received the majority of votes cast, Mr. Feehan. Mr. Feehan is hereby declared Deputy Chair of Committees of the Legislative Assembly for the 29th Legislature.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested a point of clarification regarding a potential conflict of interest concerning Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, in his roles as Deputy Chair of Committees and chair of the New Democrat caucus.

The Speaker indicated the matter would be taken under advisement and he would comment at a later date.

Mr. Feehan thanked the Assembly for electing him Deputy Chair of Committees.

The Speaker made some closing remarks.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 3:42 p.m. until Monday, June 15, 2015, at 3:00 p.m.

Monday, June 15, 2015

The Speaker took the Chair at 3:00 p.m.

After delivering the opening day prayer the Speaker invited Mr. Robert Clark, accompanied by the Royal Canadian Artillery Band, to lead the Members of the Assembly and guests in singing Canada's National Anthem.

While awaiting the arrival of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the Royal Canadian Artillery Band played a brief musical interlude.

Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor entered the Assembly and took her seat on the Throne.

Speaker's Address to the Lieutenant Governor

The Speaker said:

May it please Your Honour, the Legislative Assembly has elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me. If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their Queen and Province, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to Your Honour's person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Honour the most favourable construction.

Statement by the Provincial Secretary

The Provincial Secretary, Hon. Ms Ganley, then said:

I am commanded by Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to declare to you that she freely confides in the duty and attachment of this Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and, not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper, and prudence, she grants and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, their constitutional privileges. I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to Her Honour upon all seasonable occasions and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from her the most favourable construction.

Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then read the following Speech from the Throne:

Speech From the Throne

Friends, Alberta is a province of indigenous peoples, whose roots in this land go back thousands of years and who will be stewards of this land for thousands of years to come. Together we are learning to respect that.

We are also a province built by wave after wave of pioneers and settlers, farmers and oil workers, researchers and students, job seekers and job creators. We are people from all around the world who share a dream of a better life and who have found it here in Alberta. We are an optimistic, hopeful, entrepreneurial, remarkably diverse, and community-minded people. We are people who dream no little dreams and live them. We are people who get things done.

In this province what we wish for ourselves we desire for all, like freedom from poverty and freedom from violence, and freedom from discrimination because of who you love. We believe in looking after our children and making sure they are safe, healthy, and have access to excellent education. We believe in looking after our seniors and making sure they are safe, healthy, and have a dignified place to live. We believe in respecting women, including our sisters who have disappeared or who have been murdered, and whose families are looking for answers and for justice.

Albertans are working together to build a prosperous, entrepreneurial, diversified economy full of opportunity for us all; we are working together to build a lifelong learning system that brings out the potential in us all; and we are working together to build a health system that is there when it is needed, for us all.

We haven't always got it right. As I speak, we face another oil price challenge that is having a more profound effect on our families and on our public finances than it might have, because we have not always made the right choices in this Legislature. But as has been proven, this Legislature can change.

There are 70 new MLAs in this House as a result of the recent election. The people of Alberta decided it was time for a change, and they didn't get there through half measures. And so we can begin again.

We can work together. We can disagree without being disagreeable. We can talk about what unites us as well as what divides us. We can listen to each other and build on each other's best ideas, just as Albertans have been doing with their neighbours since the foundation of this province.

It is in this spirit that this Government begins its new mandate and takes up the tasks given to it by the people of Alberta. The Government begins its work mindful that it is building on the achievements of governments who have come before.

Alberta's first Government was led by the Liberal Party. As is remembered in a small but important memorial just outside of this building, that was when democracy and responsible government were brought to Alberta.

Today our political and party system cries out for renewal, and so we will take a first important step towards renewing our democracy as the first piece of business our new Government puts before you.

Alberta's next Government was led by the United Farmers of Alberta. The UFA was an alliance of farmers and workers determined to put the interests of Alberta families at the heart of the work of this House.

Alberta's new Government will reintroduce a fair and progressive tax system and restore stable support for health and education in order to do exactly that. We will put the interests of Alberta families at the heart of the work of this Legislature.

Elected in the depths of the Depression, our province's next Government was led by Social Credit. The Socreds were men and women who believed that Alberta could overcome adversity and return to prosperity by working together in the common interest. The Social Credit Government was a strong supporter of job creators and entrepreneurs. It also equipped our province with important tools to build prosperity, such as Alberta Treasury Branches, which is still contributing to prosperity in Albertan communities large and small today.

Alberta's new Government will also be a good partner with job creators, with entrepreneurs, with small business, with credit unions and co-ops, and with the great enterprises we have built together.

Finally, the Progressive Conservative Government elected in 1971 fought a ferocious battle with Ottawa to ensure, beyond debate, that our energy resources were owned and controlled by the people of Alberta. The PCs then set out a plan for a successful and sustainable energy industry, managed in both our people's short- and long-term interests. Their plan recognized that our resources are a trust. Those are principles to which Alberta's new Government will now return to.

And so, to the work of this session. As its first act our new Government will introduce Bill 1, An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta. At long last this act, if passed, will ban corporate and union donations to political parties in this province.

There is much more that needs to be done to renew our democracy. Alberta's new Government will work closely with all Members in this House and will take careful account of your views and those of all Albertans before taking the necessary additional steps.

As its second act our new Government will introduce Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue. This Bill will ask those who have benefited the most from the boom times in Alberta to now contribute a little more so that our schools and health care can be spared from chaos and reckless cutbacks. Corporate taxes on the largest and most profitable corporations in Alberta will be increased from 10 per cent to 12 per cent, small business taxes will remain at the current rate, three per cent, and progressive income taxes will be reintroduced in Alberta for those earning more than \$125,000 a year. When these changes are implemented, each and every citizen of Alberta will still be contributing by far the lowest provincial taxes in Canada.

As its third act Alberta's new Government will propose Bill 3, an act to restore stability to Alberta's education, health care, and human services. This is an interim supply Bill which will maintain stability in essential public services while Alberta's new Government reviews our province's economic situation, its finances, and its budget priorities.

We will invest in stable and predictable funding for our schools and post-secondary institutions because our children are worth it, because our communities are worth it, and because investing in skills and education is the single best investment our province can make to ensure our future prosperity; we will invest in stable and predictable funding for our health system because universal, accessible, high-quality health care must be there when Alberta families need it and because the time has come to meet our society's growing need for community services like long-term care and home care; and we will invest in stable and predictable funding for human services because the people who have suffered the most in the recent economic downturn should not be the first in line to be cut.

With this agreed, our new Government will then work on a new budget and a new legislative program, and will present those to you in the fall.

Alberta's new Government knows well that these are only a few first steps. There is a great deal that needs to be done. This province needs to work with steady determination to create the conditions for a sustainable, diversified, and prosperous economy, an economy that will provide Albertans with good jobs. Alberta needs a stable, long-term plan for our health care and education. This province needs to demonstrate real leadership on the environment and on climate change.

Concurrently, we must forge a much stronger partnership with our fellow provinces and with the federal government in order to build a Canadian energy strategy that ensures a sustainable, responsible Canadian energy industry can reach markets all around the world. We need to review how the people of Alberta, including our grandchildren and our great-grandchildren many years from now, will be rewarded for the development of their own energy resources.

We need to return to a respectful relationship with this land's indigenous peoples.

We need to make sure all Albertans are paid fairly at work, including those on the minimum wage.

We need to ensure this province's rural and resource communities have the tools they need to keep contributing to the prosperity of Alberta.

There are parks to tend, public transit and roads to build, hospitals to build and renovate, schools to plan and open, people living on our streets to help. It won't all happen at once, but we will start. We will start today with these first steps, and we will do more in the fall, when my new Government presents its first budget and its first full legislative program.

Thank you friends. God bless Alberta. God bless Canada. God save the Queen.

The Speaker then invited Mr. Robert Clark, accompanied by the Royal Canadian Artillery Band, to lead the Members and guests in the singing of God Save the Queen.

Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Assembly.

Tabling Documents

The Speaker informed the Assembly he had obtained a copy of the Speech of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid on the Table.

Sessional Paper 1/2015

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Ordered, that the Honourable Ms Ganley have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta." Hon. Ms Ganley accordingly presented the Bill and the same was received and read a First time.

Announcement by the Clerk of the Assembly of Members Elected

Mr. Speaker, I have received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta, pursuant to the Election Act, a report containing the results of the General Election conducted on the 5th of May 2015. The report states that an election was conducted in the following electoral divisions, and the said report further shows that the following Members were duly elected:

Dunvegan-Central Peace-Notley	Margaret McCuaig-Boyd
Lesser Slave Lake	Danielle Larivee
Calgary-Acadia	Brandy Payne
Calgary-Bow	Deborah Drever
Calgary-Buffalo	Kathleen Ganley
Calgary-Cross	Ricardo Miranda
Calgary-Currie	Brian Malkinson
Calgary-East	Robyn Luff
Calgary-Elbow	Greg Clark
Calgary-Fish Creek	Richard Gotfried
Calgary-Foothills	Jim Prentice *Disclaimed
Calgary-Fort	Joe Ceci
Calgary-Glenmore	Anam Kazim
Calgary-Greenway	Manmeet Bhullar
Calgary-Hawkwood	Michael Connolly
Calgary-Hays	Ric McIver
Calgary-Klein	Craig Coolahan
Calgary-Lougheed	Dave Rodney
Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill	Karen McPherson
Calgary-McCall	Irfan Sabir
Calgary-Mountain View	David Swann
Calgary-North West	Sandra Jansen
Calgary-Northern Hills	Jamie Kleinsteuber
Calgary-Shaw	Graham D. Sucha
Calgary-South East	Rick Fraser
Calgary-Varsity	Stephanie McLean
Calgary-West	Mike Ellis
Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview	Deron Bilous
Edmonton-Calder	David Eggen

Edmonton-Castle Downs	Nicole Goehring
Edmonton-Centre	David Shepherd
Edmonton-Decore	Chris Nielsen
Edmonton-Ellerslie	Rod Loyola
Edmonton-Glenora	Sarah Hoffman
Edmonton-Gold Bar	Marlin Schmidt
Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood	Brian Mason
Edmonton-Manning	Heather Sweet
Edmonton-McClung	Lorne Dach
Edmonton-Meadowlark	Jon Carson
Edmonton-Mill Creek	Denise Woollard
Edmonton-Mill Woods	Christina Gray
Edmonton-Riverview	Lori Sigurdson
Edmonton-Rutherford	Richard Feehan
Edmonton-South West	Thomas Dang
Edmonton-Strathcona	Rachel Notley
Edmonton-Whitemud	Bob Turner
Airdrie	Angela Pitt
Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater	Colin Piquette
Banff-Cochrane	Cameron Westhead
Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock	Glenn van Dijken
Battle River-Wainwright	Wes Taylor
Bonnyville-Cold Lake	Scott Cyr
Cardston-Taber-Warner	Grant Hunter
Chestermere-Rocky View	Leela Sharon Aheer
Cypress-Medicine Hat	Drew Barnes
Drayton Valley-Devon	Mark Smith
Drumheller-Stettler	Rick Strankman
Fort McMurray-Conklin	Brian Michael Jean
Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo	Tany Yao
Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville	Jessica Littlewood
Grande Prairie-Smoky	Todd Loewen
Grande Prairie-Wapiti	Wayne Drysdale
Highwood	Wayne Anderson

Innisfail-Sylvan Lake	Don MacIntyre
Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills	David B. Hanson
Lacombe-Ponoka	Ron J.N. Orr
Leduc-Beaumont	Shaye Anderson
Lethbridge-East	Maria Fitzpatrick
Lethbridge-West	Shannon Phillips
Little Bow	David A. Schneider
Livingstone-Macleod	Pat Stier
Medicine Hat	Robert Wanner
Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills	Nathan M. Cooper
Peace River	Debbie Jabbour
Red Deer-North	Kim Schreiner
Red Deer-South	Barb Miller
Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre	Jason Nixon
Sherwood Park	Annie McKittrick
Spruce Grove-St. Albert	Trevor Horne
St. Albert	Marie Renaud
Stony Plain	Erin Babcock
Strathcona-Sherwood Park	Estefania Cortes-Vargas
Strathmore-Brooks	Derek Gerhard Fildebrandt
Vermilion-Lloydminster	Richard Starke
West Yellowhead	Eric Rosendahl
Wetaskiwin-Camrose	Bruce Hinkley
Whitecourt-Ste. Anne	Oneil Carlier

Government Motions

1. Moved by Hon. Ms Notley:

Be it resolved that the Speech of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to this Assembly be taken into consideration on June 16, 2015.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:44 p.m. until Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 16, 2015

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

The Speaker offered a prayer, and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Members Mr. John Gogo, Member for Lethbridge-West, 1975 to 1993, who passed away on April 4, 2015; Mr. Frank Appleby, Member for Athabasca, 1971 to 1986, who passed away on May 18, 2015; and Mr. Norman Weiss, Member for Lac La Biche-McMurray, 1979 to 1992, who passed away on June 2, 2015.

Speaker's Statement – Oral Question Period and Members' Statements Rotations

Honourable Members, before we proceed to our first Oral Question Period, I want to outline the rotation that will apply for Oral Question Period and Members' Statements. As noted in the procedural memo that I sent out to all Members yesterday, the Speaker's Office received a document on June 15, 2015, signed by the three House Leaders confirming their agreement on the rotation of oral questions and of Members' Statements. Copies of the Oral Question Period rotation are on Members' desks along with the Projected Sitting Days Calendar that outlines the Members' Statements rotation. With respect to Oral Question Period the agreement is based on 20 questions each day and follows an eight-day rotation.

I want to say at the outset that I take to heart the very first section of Beauchesne's, 6th Edition, which lists as the first principle of parliamentary law "to protect a minority and restrain the improvidence or tyranny of a majority." I have reviewed the agreement amongst House Leaders of the three largest caucuses and find that the allotment of questions to the single-Member parties and the independent Member is reasonable.

By having three questions every eight days, the single-Member party Leaders have more questions than was the case when this situation arose before, such as on February 8, 2012, in the Fifth Session of the 27th Legislature. If there are concerns, I would encourage House Leaders to meet and see if further refinements are necessary or possible.

With respect to the agreement reached by the House Leaders, I want to articulate the sequence so that it is clear in the record of the proceedings and to let people who are following the proceedings know what to expect. Flowing from the agreement, the Official Opposition is entitled to the first three main questions each day, and the PC caucus is entitled to the fourth question each day. Question five is allocated to the Liberal caucus on days one, three, and six; to the Alberta Party caucus on days two, five, and seven; and to the independent Member on days four and eight. Private Members of the Government caucus are entitled to the sixth question each day. In addition to the first three questions each day, the Official Opposition is entitled to ask the seventh, ninth, 10th, 13th, 16th, 18th, and 20th questions. In addition to the fourth question each day, the PC caucus is allocated the eighth, 11th, 14th, and 17th questions. Apart from question six each day, private Members of the Government caucus may ask the 12th, 15th, and 19th questions.

I want to remind Members that questions and responses should be 35 seconds in length and that preambles to supplementary questions are only allowed for the first five rounds of questions each day.

With respect to Members' Statements, the House Leaders' Agreement is based on a three-week rotation. According to Standing Order 7(4), each day up to six private Members may make a statement of no more than two minutes in duration.

Private Members of the Government caucus are entitled to three statements on Monday and Tuesday each week and on Wednesday of weeks one and two, and four statements on Thursday each week and on Wednesday of week three. The Official Opposition is entitled to two statements on Monday and Tuesday each week and on Wednesday of weeks one and two, and one statement on Thursday each week and on Wednesday of week three. The PC caucus is allocated one statement on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday each week.

Under the House Leaders' Agreement the Liberal, Alberta Party, and independent Members will each have an opportunity to make a Member's Statement once in the three-week rotation. The Leader of the Liberal caucus is allocated a statement on Thursday of week one, the Leader of the Alberta caucus on the Thursday of week two, and the independent Member on the Thursday of week three.

Thank you, Honourable Members. I will table a copy of the House Leaders' Agreement at the appropriate time in the Daily Routine today.

Members' Statements

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement recognizing Edmonton Police Service Constable Daniel Woodall, who was killed in the line of duty on June 8, 2015, Edmonton Police Service Sergeant Harley, who was injured during the same incident, and regarding an unrelated shooting on the property of Our Saviour Lutheran Church a week earlier, and the community prayer walk organized by Pastor Philip Penrod.

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, made a statement recognizing Jaydon Sommerfeld of Chestermere, who died in a traffic accident at the intersection of Highways 1 and 791, and regarding the need for an overpass at that intersection.

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement offering condolences to the family of Edmonton Police Service Constable Daniel Woodall, who was killed in the line of duty on June 8, 2015, and regarding the threat of the unknown faced by police officers.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding her work to create inclusive communities for people with disabilities, commitments in the Speech from the Throne for an inclusive future, and the leadership of Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Mr. Coolahan, Hon. Member for Calgary-Klein, made a statement recognizing Maryam Rashidi of Calgary, who was killed while attempting to stop a robbery at the gas station where she worked, and regarding workplace safety.

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding the second anniversary of the floods in High River and southern Alberta in June 2013, and the recovery efforts still to be done in collaboration with Hon. Mr. Bilous, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Minister of Service Alberta.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

House Leaders' Agreement for the First Session of the 29th Legislature, effective June 15, 2015, regarding Oral Question Period Rotation and Members' Statements Rotation

Sessional Paper 2/2015

Speaker's Statement – Point of Clarification

Honourable Members, there is one outstanding item of business carried over from the election of Presiding Officers on June 11, 2015. The Official Opposition House Leader raised what he termed a point of clarification concerning the Deputy Chair of Committees and whether that Member could continue in a caucus position. His intervention and that of the Government House Leader is found at pages 5 and 6 of Alberta Hansard for June 11, 2015.

Let me address a few preliminary matters. First, it is inappropriate for the Speaker to address any points of order or questions of privilege on the day the Presiding Officers are elected as the causes for summoning the Assembly have not yet been given. That is the purpose of the Speech from the Throne.

Secondly, there is no item known as a point of clarification, but I appreciate that the expression, that has been used in connection with a request under Standing Order 13(2), to explain a Speaker's decision. Having said that, I undertook to address this matter.

As Members know, on June 11 they elected the Member for Edmonton-Rutherford as Deputy Chair of Committees for the 29th Legislature. He was duly nominated and elected, and he is not a member of the Executive Council. There is no impediment to his nomination or subsequent election. It is my view that the Speaker has no jurisdiction over this matter. There is nothing in the Legislative Assembly Act or the Standing Orders that addresses this matter, and the authorities are silent on this specific point. Accordingly, the Member for Edmonton-Rutherford is the Assembly's choice for Deputy Chair of Committees, and there is no reason for the Speaker to intervene with respect to that decision.

Speaker's Statement – Member's Anniversary

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of the 15th anniversary of Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, who was elected to the Legislative Assembly in a by-election on June 12, 2000. The Speaker then presented Hon. Mr. Mason with a 15-year Mace pin.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

2. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that

A. Select Standing Committees for the present Legislature be appointed for the following purposes:

- (1) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing,
- (2) Public Accounts,
- (3) Private Bills,
- (4) Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, and
- (5) Legislative Offices

and, in addition thereto, there be appointed for the present Legislature a Special Standing Committee on Members' Services;

B. Legislative Policy Committees for the present Legislature be appointed for the following purposes:

- (1) Standing Committee on Families and Communities,
- (2) Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, and
- (3) Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

3. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

A. Be it resolved that the following Members be appointed to the Assembly's five Select Standing Committees and one Special Standing Committee:

Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund
(9 Members)

Miller (Chair)	Ellis	Piquette
Nielsen (Deputy Chair)	Malkinson	Renaud
Cyr	Miranda	Taylor

Standing Committee on Legislative Offices (11 Members)

Woollard (Chair)	Cooper	Shepherd
Dach (Deputy Chair)	Cortes-Vargas	Sweet
Bhullar	Kleinstauber	van Dijken
Connolly	Nixon	

Standing Committee on Private Bills (15 Members)

McPherson (Chair)	Dang	Littlewood
Kleinstauber (Deputy Chair)	Drever	McKitrick
Anderson (Highwood)	Drysdale	Rosendahl
Babcock	Fraser	Stier
Connolly	Hinkley	Strankman

Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing (15 Members)

Turner (Chair)	Ellis	McPherson
Fitzpatrick (Deputy Chair)	Hanson	Schneider
Carson	Kazim	Starke
Coolahan	Larivee	van Dijken
Cooper	Loyola	Woollard

Standing Committee on Public Accounts (15 Members)

Fildebrandt (Chair)	Dach	Miller
Gray (Deputy Chair)	Gotfried	Payne
Barnes	Hunter	Renaud
Bhullar	Loyola	Turner
Cyr	Malkinson	Westhead

Special Standing Committee on Members' Services (11 Members)

Wanner (Chair)	Goehring	Nielsen
Schmidt (Deputy Chair)	Luff	Nixon
Cooper	McIver	Piquette
Fildebrandt	McLean	

- B. Be it resolved that the following Members be appointed to the Assembly's three Legislative Policy Committees:

Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future (15 Members)

Coolahan (Chair)	Gotfried	Larivee
Schneider (Deputy Chair)	Hanson	McKittrick
Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Schreiner
Carson	Hunter	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	Jansen	Taylor

Standing Committee on Families and Communities (15 Members)

Sweet (Chair)	Littlewood	Rodney
Smith (Deputy Chair)	Luff	Shepherd
Goehring	Orr	Swann
Hinkley	Payne	Westhead
Jansen	Pitt	Yao

Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship (15 Members)

Kazim (Chair)	Clark	Rosendahl
Loewen (Deputy Chair)	Drysdale	Schreiner
Aheer	Horne	Stier
Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Kleinsteuber	Sucha
Babcock	MacIntyre	Woollard

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

4. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve into Committee of the Whole, when called, to consider certain Bills on the Order Paper.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

5. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve itself into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

6. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), commencing Tuesday, June 16, 2015, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business for the duration of the First Session of the 29th Legislature 2015 Spring Sitting unless, on motion by the Government House Leader made before 6:00 p.m., which may be made orally and without notice, the Assembly is adjourned to the following sitting day.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Message From Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following document:

2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates No. 2, General Revenue Fund, Lottery Fund,
Offices of the Legislative Assembly, Government

Sessional Paper 3/2015

Government Motions

7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates No. 2, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

8. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 61(2), the Committee of Supply shall be called to consider the 2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates No. 2 for three hours on Wednesday, June 17, 2015.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

Moved by Mr. Connolly and seconded by Ms Kazim:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Mason moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 1 An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta — Hon. Ms Ganley

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:37 p.m. until Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 17, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding the high quality of service provided by the Medicine Hat Diagnostic Laboratory and the decision by Alberta Health Services to move diagnostic services from the lab to the Medicine Hat Regional Hospital.

Mr. Horne, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-St. Albert, made a statement recognizing June 21, 2015, as National Aboriginal Day, and May 21 to 24, 2015, as Aboriginal Awareness Week.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, made a statement regarding the outpouring of support shown at the Regimental Funeral for Edmonton Police Service Constable Daniel Woodall held in Edmonton on June 17, 2015, and thanked Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, for attending the funeral.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Ministerial Statements.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, made a statement and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of Edmonton Police Service Constable Daniel Woodall, who was killed in the line of duty on June 8, 2015.

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(1.1) in order to complete Ministerial Statements, and to allow additional Members to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, and Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, then commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Ms Payne, Hon. Member for Calgary-Acadia, made a statement recognizing the 10th anniversary of the Calgary Dream Centre, a faith-based recovery centre for men.

Ms McKittrick, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement congratulating the County Clothes-Line Foundation on receiving the Mayor's Award at the 2015 Pride of Strathcona Awards held on June 15, 2015.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, made a statement regarding the beliefs and values of the constituents of Olds-Didsbury-Three-Hills that must be pursued in the Legislature in order to make Alberta the best place to work, live, and raise a family.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition:

Canadian Oil Drillers website article dated June 15, 2015, entitled "Canadian Oil Drillers Revise Forecast Amid Sustained Economic Pressure," relating to comments made by Mr. McIver during Oral Question Period on June 17, 2015
Sessional Paper 4/2015

Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers website article dated May 14, 2015, entitled "CAPP to strike industry group to work with Alberta government on priorities to protect and grow oil and gas industry jobs," relating to comments made during Oral Question Period on June 17, 2015
Sessional Paper 5/2015

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow:

Letter dated May 11, 2015, from Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, to Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, expressing interest in being assigned to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts or the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, relating to comments made by Mr. Clark during debate on Government Motion 3 on June 16, 2016
Sessional Paper 6/2015

Email message dated June 10, 2015, from Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, to Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, and Blake Evans, Director of House Business Office, expressing his interest in being assigned to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, relating to comments made by Mr. Clark during debate on Government Motion 3 on June 16, 2016
Sessional Paper 7/2015

Email message dated June 12, 2015, from Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, to Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, and Blake Evans, Director of House Business Office, requesting that a Government Motion appearing on the Order Paper be amended to appoint him to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Sessional Paper 8/2015

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed:

Program from the Regimental Funeral for Edmonton Police Service Constable Daniel Woodall held in Edmonton on June 17, 2015

Sessional Paper 9/2015

Speaker's Statement – Point of Order Concerning Anticipation

Honourable Members, the Official Opposition House Leader raised a point of order yesterday concerning anticipation. The exchange between that Member and the Government House Leader can be found at page 22 of Alberta Hansard for June 16, 2015. I indicated that I would take it under advisement, which I have, and I am prepared to rule on it today.

First, I would like to make a point about practice when points of order are raised. Members should indicate in the Assembly by rising and catching my attention that they wish to raise a point of order. This procedure ensures that notice is provided to the Members, to me, and to the people who assist on these matters, such as the Table Officers and Hansard staff.

With respect to the point of order, it related to a question by the Member for Calgary-Cross to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General about donations to political parties, which is the subject of Bill 1, which can be found at page 19 of Alberta Hansard for yesterday, June 16.

For the benefit of all Members, I will read Standing Order 23(e), which states that:

A Member will be called to order by the Speaker if, in the Speaker's opinion, that Member

- (e) anticipates, contrary to good parliamentary practice, any matter already on the Order Paper or on notice for consideration on that day.

Basically, the rule is what it says, that a part of the proceedings should not be on the same subject as something that is scheduled for later in the day. My investigation into the matter demonstrates that it is not necessarily strictly observed in relation to Oral Question Period. Speaker Kowalski stated on March 3, 1998, at page 649 of Alberta Hansard, that questions that were framed so as to ask if something was a matter of Government policy “took it out of the realm of debate on a particular Bill.” I note that in a May 8, 2013, ruling on the same issue at page 2194 of Alberta Hansard for that day, Speaker Zwozdesky reaffirmed Speaker Kowalski’s ruling on the rule against anticipation not being violated by a question about Government policy in relation to a Bill which was up for consideration that day.

Members may be interested to know that the Canadian House of Commons no longer applies the rule against anticipation during question period, as is discussed on page 561 of House of Commons Procedure and Practice, Second Edition.

In this instance, the question asked what the Government was doing about campaign financing which is, of course, the subject of Bill 1. I think the Official Opposition House Leader had a valid point and a legitimate point of order although it could have maybe been brought forward to the Assembly’s attention at the appropriate time.

As we move forward together during this session, I am sure that we will now all be more aware of the rule against anticipation.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Interim Supply Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(4), the Committee recessed at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Interim Supply Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

Pursuant to Government Motion 8, agreed to on June 16, 2015, the question was put on the Estimates for Support to the Legislative Assembly, which was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 51

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Babcock	Hinkley	Nielsen
Bilous	Hoffman	Payne
Carlier	Horne	Phillips
Carson	Kazim	Piquette
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Clark	Larivee	Rosendahl
Connolly	Littlewood	Sabir
Coolahan	Loyola	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Schreiner
Dach	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Dang	Mason	Sucha
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Swann
Feehan	McKitrick	Sweet
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Turner
Ganley	McPherson	Westhead
Goehring	Miller	Woollard

Against the motion: 25

Aheer	Hanson	Schneider
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Smith
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	Stier
Drysdale	McIver	Strankman
Ellis	Nixon	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Orr	van Dijken
Fraser	Pitt	Yao
Gotfried		

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

Pursuant to Government Motion 8, agreed to on June 16, 2015, the question was put on the Estimates for the Department of Treasury Board and Finance, which was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 51

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Babcock	Hinkley	Nielsen
Bilous	Hoffman	Payne
Carlier	Horne	Phillips
Carson	Kazim	Piquette
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Clark	Larivee	Rosendahl
Connolly	Littlewood	Sabir
Coolahan	Loyola	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Schreiner
Dach	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Dang	Mason	Sucha
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Swann
Feehan	McKitrick	Sweet
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Turner
Ganley	McPherson	Westhead
Goehring	Miller	Woollard

Against the motion: 23

Aheer	Gotfried	Schneider
Anderson (Highwood)	Hanson	Starke
Cooper	Hunter	Stier
Cyr	Loewen	Strankman
Drysdale	MacIntyre	Taylor
Ellis	Nixon	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Orr	Yao
Fraser	Pitt	

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Ms Gray reported as follows:

Madam Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the 2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates No. 2, General Revenue Fund, Lottery Fund, Offices of the Legislative Assembly, Government, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again.

Support to the Legislative Assembly	\$33,000,000
Office of the Auditor General	\$11,000,000
Office of the Ombudsman	\$1,400,000
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	\$1,000,000
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	\$425,000

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	\$2,852,000
Office of the Child and Youth Advocate	\$5,632,000
Office of the Public Interest Commissioner	\$525,000
Aboriginal Relations	
Expense	\$84,800,000
Capital Investment	\$10,000
Financial Transactions	\$32,115,000
Agriculture and Forestry	
Expense	\$336,121,000
Capital Investment	\$9,804,000
Financial Transactions	\$982,000
Culture and Tourism	
Expense	\$174,910,000
Capital Investment	\$2,092,000
Financial Transactions	\$3,610,000
Education	
Expense	\$1,988,400,000
Capital Investment	\$671,100,000
Financial Transactions	\$7,687,000
Energy	
Expense	\$160,000,000
Capital Investment	\$2,500,000
Environment and Parks	
Expense	\$256,378,000
Capital Investment	\$111,046,000
Financial Transactions	\$41,000
Executive Council	
Expense	\$9,475,000
Health	
Expense	\$7,746,317,000
Capital Investment	\$32,494,000
Financial Transactions	\$27,700,000

Human Services

Expense	\$1,803,518,000
Capital Investment	\$2,279,000
Financial Transactions	\$305,000

Infrastructure

Expense	\$228,500,000
Capital Investment	\$440,000,000
Financial Transactions	\$28,100,000

Innovation and Advanced Education

Expense	\$1,203,669,000
Capital Investment	\$21,440,000
Financial Transactions	\$437,000,000

International and Intergovernmental Relations

Expense	\$14,680,000
Capital Investment	\$10,000

Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour

Expense	\$74,469,000
Capital Investment	\$500,000

Justice and Solicitor General

Expense	\$473,905,000
Capital Investment	\$25,960,000

Municipal Affairs

Expense	\$105,402,000
Capital Investment	\$4,246,000
Financial Transactions	\$173,704,000

Seniors

Expense	\$263,096,000
Financial Transactions	\$10,211,000

Service Alberta

Expense	\$116,916,000
Capital Investment	\$12,268,000
Financial Transactions	\$6,379,000

Transportation

Expense	\$339,712,000
Capital Investment	\$641,462,000
Financial Transactions	\$32,552,000

Treasury Board and Finance

Expense	\$62,840,000
Capital Investment	\$1,135,000
Financial Transactions	\$4,197,000
Transfer from the Lottery Fund	\$386,929,000

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

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

Bill 3 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

(Day 1)

Moved by Mr. Connolly and seconded by Ms Kazim:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Bilous moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders**Committee of the Whole**

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 1 An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta — Hon. Ms Ganley

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, moved that the Bill be amended by striking out section 20 and substituting the following:

20 This Act comes into force on July 6, 2015.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 21

Aheer	Hanson	Schneider
Cyr	Hunter	Smith
Drysdale	Loewen	Stier
Ellis	MacIntyre	Strankman
Fildebrandt	Nixon	Swann
Fraser	Orr	van Dijken
Gotfried	Pitt	Yao

Against the amendment: 50

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Babcock	Hinkley	Nielsen
Bilous	Hoffman	Payne
Carlier	Horne	Phillips
Carson	Kazim	Piquette
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Clark	Larivee	Rosendahl
Connolly	Littlewood	Sabir
Coolahan	Loyola	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Schreiner
Dach	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Dang	Mason	Sucha
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Ganley	McPherson	Woollard
Goehring	Miller	

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 1 An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta — Hon. Ms Ganley

Mr. Kleinsteuber, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 1 (A1) Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake) —
Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 10/2015

Amendment to Bill 1 (A2) (Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 11/2015

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:03 p.m. until Thursday, June 18, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 18, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement regarding the floods that occurred in the Banff-Cochrane constituency in June 2013, the assistance provided by many Albertans, and the work that still must be done to recover from the floods and to protect Alberta communities from future potential flooding.

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement regarding the need for road repair to Highway 28 between Cold Lake and Edmonton, and asking the Government to publicize its list of public infrastructure priorities.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement requesting that the Government make flood and drought mitigation in southern Alberta a priority.

Ms Kazim, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement recognizing the holy month of Ramadan.

Mr. Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement recognizing June 20, 2015, as World Refugee Day, and regarding his own family's experience fleeing Chile to come to Canada.

Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement recognizing the 60th anniversary of Freson Market Ltd., a successful family-owned grocery business now known as Freson Bros.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Bill 201 Assuring Alberta's Fiscal Future Act — Mr. Fraser

Bill 202 Alberta Local Food Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

(Day 2)

Moved by Mr. Connolly and seconded by Ms Kazim:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Mr. Clark moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 3 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 64(3), at 4:15 p.m. the Speaker interrupted the proceedings and immediately put the question on the Appropriation Bill standing on the Order Paper for Second Reading.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 52

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miller
Babcock	Hinkley	Miranda
Bilous	Hoffman	Nielsen
Carlier	Horne	Payne
Carson	Jabbour	Piquette
Ceci	Kazim	Renaud
Clark	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Connolly	Larivee	Sabir
Coolahan	Littlewood	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schreiner
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Drever	Mason	Sucha
Eggen	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Ganley	McPherson	Woollard
Goehring		

Against the motion: 20

Aheer	Jansen	Smith
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	Strankman
Drysdale	McIver	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Nixon	van Dijken
Gotfried	Orr	Yao
Hanson	Schneider	

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

Bill 3 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, June 22, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, June 22, 2015

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

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(1.1) in order to complete Ministerial Statements, and to allow the Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, the Member for Calgary-Bow, the Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and the Member for Calgary-Elbow to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, made a statement announcing the Government's commitment to acts of reconciliation following an event of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada on June 2, 2015, and on behalf of the Government expressed deep regret and apologized for not taking a stand to stop First Nation, Metis and Inuit children from being taken from their homes as part of the federal residential school system, joined the call for a national inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women, and committed to continue to work with Aboriginal communities and organizations to ensure safe and fulfilling futures for Aboriginal women.

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, and Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, then commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Members' Statements

Mrs. Schreiner, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement regarding the Red Deer Walking With Our Sisters commemorative art installation honouring missing and murdered Aboriginal women from across Canada.

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, made a statement regarding the need for the long-promised dialysis centre in Lac La Biche.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, made a statement regarding the need for sexual health programs in Alberta's education system.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding the 50th anniversary of the Slovenian Canadian Association of Edmonton.

Ms McPherson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill, made a statement recognizing June 20, 2015, as Neighbour Day in Calgary, and the opening of the Little Free Library in the community of Beddington Heights.

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding the concerns of constituent and restaurant owner Dan Brown with respect to the proposed increase in Alberta's minimum wage and the impact of increased wages on youth employment and labour costs.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Property Rights Advocate Act, cP-26.5, s5(3):

Alberta Property Rights Advocate Office, 2014 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 12/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations, pursuant to the Metis Settlements Act, cM-14, s211(2):

Metis Settlements Appeal Tribunal, Annual Report 2014
Sessional Paper 13/2015

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 201 Assuring Alberta's Fiscal Future Act — Mr. Fraser

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Ms Babcock speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Mr. Hinkley:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a review of existing legislation related to surface rights and work to ensure landowners' rights to fair compensation and due process are respected.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:40 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 1 An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta — Hon. Ms Ganley

Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations, moved that amendment A3 to the Bill be further amended:

- (a) in part A by striking out clauses (a), (b) and (c);
- (b) by striking out part B.

The question being put, the subamendment was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the subamendment: 63

Aheer	Hunter	Piquette
Bilous	Jansen	Pitt
Ceci	Kazim	Renaud
Clark	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Cooper	Larivee	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Schmidt
Cyr	Loewen	Schneider
Dach	Loyola	Schreiner
Dang	Luff	Shepherd
Drever	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Ellis	Mason	Smith
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	Starke
Fildebrandt	McIver	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	McKitrick	Swann
Ganley	McLean	Sweet
Goehring	McPherson	Taylor
Gray	Miller	Turner
Hanson	Miranda	van Dijken
Hinkley	Nielsen	Westhead
Hoffman	Nixon	Woollard
Horne	Orr	Yao

Against the subamendment: 0

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Committee to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the balance of the evening.

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 1 An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta — Hon. Ms Ganley

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 3 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Mr. Feehan, Deputy Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Subamendment to Bill 1 (A3-SA1) (Hon. Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations) — Agreed to on division
Sessional Paper 14/2015

Amendment to Bill 1 (A3) (Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 15/2015

Amendment to Bill 1 (A4) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 16/2015

Third Reading

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

Bill 1 An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta — Hon. Ms Ganley

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 64

Aheer	Hunter	Notley
Bhullar	Jansen	Orr
Bilous	Jean	Piquette
Ceci	Kazim	Pitt
Clark	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Cooper	Larivee	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Sabir
Cyr	Loewen	Schmidt
Dach	Loyola	Schreiner
Dang	Luff	Shepherd
Drever	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Ellis	Mason	Smith
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	Starke
Fildebrandt	McIver	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	McKitrick	Sweet
Ganley	McLean	Taylor
Goehring	McPherson	Turner
Gray	Miller	van Dijken
Hanson	Miranda	Westhead
Hinkley	Nielsen	Woollard
Hoffman	Nixon	Yao
Horne		

Against the motion: 0

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 1 An Act to Renew Democracy in Alberta — Hon. Ms Ganley

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, pursuant to Standing Order 64(4), at 10:15 p.m. the Chair interrupted the proceedings and immediately put the question on the Appropriation Bill standing on the Order Paper referred to Committee of the Whole.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 44

Bilous	Kazim	Notley
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Piquette
Clark	Larivee	Renaud
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Dach	Loyola	Sabir
Dang	Luff	Schmidt
Drever	Malkinson	Schreiner
Feehan	Mason	Shepherd
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Sigurdson
Ganley	McKitrick	Sucha
Goehring	McLean	Sweet
Gray	McPherson	Turner
Hinkley	Miller	Westhead
Hoffman	Miranda	Woollard
Horne	Nielsen	

Against the motion: 19

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Bhullar	Jansen	Smith
Cooper	Jean	Starke
Cyr	Loewen	Taylor
Ellis	McIver	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Nixon	Yao
Hanson		

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 3 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Second Reading

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

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Hon. Mr. Ceci moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:29 p.m. until Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 23, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, made a statement recognizing June 2015 as Bike Month.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, made a statement regarding the need to improve rural health care by redirecting funding to hiring front-line staff and doctors.

Mr. Fraser, Hon. Member for Calgary-South East, made a statement regarding the Government's proposals to review oil and gas royalty rates and to increase corporate tax rates and the effects of these proposals on businesses and jobs in Alberta.

Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the annual Dragonfly Festival held in the Village of Wabamun from June 19 to 21, 2015.

Ms McLean, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement recognizing Sheldon Kennedy for his work as a child advocate for victims of child abuse and regarding the Sheldon Kennedy Child Advocacy Centre in Calgary.

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement regarding the history and heritage of the Strathmore-Brooks constituency and highlighting several events taking place this summer in the constituency.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

The Canadian Press website article dated June 20, 2012, entitled “Punt patronage: Alberta NDP wants end to ‘pork-barrel politics’ ”

Sessional Paper 17/2015

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek:

Calgary Herald website article dated June 23, 2015, entitled “Pipeline builder TransCanada Corp. has confirmed it laid off 185 people from its major projects department on Tuesday morning”

Sessional Paper 18/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY**Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor’s Speech**

(Day 4)

Moved by Mr. Connolly and seconded by Ms Kazim:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

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

Government Bills and Orders**Third Reading**

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

Bill 3 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Mason moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Second Reading

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

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Dr. Starke speaking.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

(Day 4)

Moved by Mr. Connolly and seconded by Ms Kazim:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Mr. Jean moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Strankman speaking.

Third Reading

Pursuant to Standing Order 64(5), at 10:15 p.m. the Speaker interrupted the proceedings and immediately put the question on the Appropriation Bill standing on the Order Paper for Third Reading.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 47

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Goehring	Payne
Babcock	Gray	Piquette
Bilous	Hinkley	Renaud
Carlier	Jabbour	Rosendahl
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Ceci	Littlewood	Schmidt
Connolly	Loyola	Schreiner
Coolahan	Luff	Shepherd
Cortes-Vargas	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Dach	Mason	Sucha
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Swann
Drever	McKitrick	Sweet
Eggen	McLean	Turner
Feehan	Miller	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Miranda	Woollard
Ganley	Nielsen	

Against the motion: 25

Aheer	Gotfried	Pitt
Anderson (Highwood)	Hanson	Schneider
Bhullar	Hunter	Smith
Cooper	Jean	Starke
Cyr	Loewen	Strankman
Drysdale	MacIntyre	Taylor
Ellis	Nixon	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Orr	Yao
Fraser		

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 3 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Second Reading

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

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Alberta’s Economic Future in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

A debate followed on the amendment.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The question for Second Reading of Bill 2 being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 46

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Goehring	Nielsen
Babcock	Gray	Payne
Bilous	Hinkley	Piquette
Carlier	Jabbour	Renaud
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Ceci	Littlewood	Sabir
Connolly	Loyola	Schmidt
Coolahan	Luff	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Malkinson	Shepherd
Dach	Mason	Sigurdson
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Sucha
Drever	McKitrick	Sweet
Eggen	McLean	Turner
Feehan	Miller	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Miranda	Woollard
Ganley		

Against the motion: 24

Aheer	Gotfried	Pitt
Bhullar	Hanson	Schneider
Cooper	Hunter	Smith
Cyr	Jean	Starke
Drysdale	Loewen	Strankman
Ellis	MacIntyre	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Nixon	van Dijken
Fraser	Orr	Yao

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

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 1:05 a.m. Wednesday, June 24, 2015, until 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, made a statement regarding the book entitled "An Action a Day Keeps Global Capitalism Away," the alternative energy industry, and the need for science-based environmental action.

Mr. Piquette, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater, made a statement recognizing June 24, 2015, as Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day and regarding Franco-Albertans' contributions to the province's economic, educational, and cultural development (some remarks made in French).

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to recognize rural Albertans' contributions to the province's economy.

Ms Fitzpatrick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding 5th on 5th Youth Services, a youth support program in Lethbridge.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South West, made a statement regarding the efforts of Edmonton-South West constituents to convert a former church into the South Pointe Community Centre.

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement regarding the Nathan O'Brien Children's Foundation, which raises funds for children in need.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Jabbour, Hon. Member for Peace River, presented a petition from approximately 2,000 Albertans urging the Government to introduce legislation that will provide universal, accessible, affordable, quality, and public child care for children in Alberta.

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, presented a petition from several thousand Albertans urging the Government to cease and reverse the implementation of the Inspiring Education policy framework to prevent harm to the academic ability and potential of our children and the children of Alberta; to acknowledge the central importance of content and knowledge in academic curricula; to create and promote curricula that ensures all students obtain the basic, foundational skills and knowledge to enable their full participation in society; to promote a grading system built on clear, objective, quantifiable, and consistent measures so that Albertans may receive a true picture of their education system and their children's educational progress; and to cease the devotion of scarce public funds to the implementation of experimental pedagogical theory and technology unless and until such theory and technology is demonstrated by scientifically rigorous research to be effective.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that:

1. A Select Special Ethics and Accountability Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed to review the Election Act, the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, the Conflicts of Interest Act, and the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, consisting of the following Members, namely,

Gray (Chair)	Jansen	Nixon
Payne (Deputy Chair)	Loyola	Renaud
Anderson (Highwood)	McLean	Starke
Clark	Miller	Swann
Cortes-Vargas	Miranda	van Dijken
Cyr	Nielsen	
2. In carrying out its duties, the Committee may travel throughout Alberta and undertake a process of consultation with all interested Albertans;

3. The Committee shall be deemed to be the special committee of the Assembly for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review of the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, as provided for in section 37 of that Act;
4. In carrying out its duties, the Committee may solicit written submissions from experts in the field;
5. The Committee is deemed to continue beyond prorogation and may meet during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
6. Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for advertising, staff assistance, equipment and supplies, rent, travel, and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chair;
7. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of the public service employed in that department or the staff employed by the Legislative Assembly Office and the Officers of the Legislature;
8. The Committee must submit its report, including any proposed amendments to the Acts, within one year after commencing its review;
9. When its work has been completed, the Committee must report to the Assembly if it is sitting; during a period when the Assembly is adjourned, the Committee may release its report by depositing a copy with the Clerk and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry:

Report, undated, entitled “Rural Economic Development Action Plan,” prepared by the Alberta Government

Sessional Paper 19/2015

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition:

Report dated June 16, 2015, entitled “Alberta Minimum Wage Submission, presented to Hon. Ms Notley, Premier, and Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour,” prepared by Restaurants Canada, relating to comments made by Mr. McIver during Oral Question Period on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 20/2015

Calgary Herald website article dated June 24, 2015, entitled “Non-profits raise concerns over NDP plan to hike minimum wage,” relating to comments made by Mr. McIver during Oral Question Period on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 21/2015

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West:

Report, undated, entitled “Keeping Communities Safe, Report and Recommendations,” prepared by the Alberta Government

Sessional Paper 22/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors:

Pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technologists, Annual Report 2014

Sessional Paper 23/2015

College of Medical Laboratory Technologists of Alberta, Annual Report 2014

Sessional Paper 24/2015

Alberta College of Pharmacists, 2014-2015 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 25/2015

Alberta College of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists, 2014 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 26/2015

College of Alberta Denturists, Annual Report 2013

Sessional Paper 27/2015

College of Licensed Practical Nurses, 2014 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 28/2015

Pursuant to the Public Health Act, cP-37, s7(2), Public Health Appeal Board, 2013 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 29/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, moved that the Bill be amended in section 1(3)(b) in the proposed section 22(2.1294)(b) by striking out “9.0%” and substituting “10%”.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 22

Aheer	Fraser	Pitt
Barnes	Gotfried	Schneider
Clark	Jean	Starke
Cooper	Loewen	Stier
Cyr	McIver	Strankman
Drysdale	Nixon	Swann
Ellis	Orr	Yao
Fildebrandt		

Against the amendment: 45

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Ganley	Payne
Babcock	Goehring	Phillips
Bilous	Hinkley	Piquette
Carlier	Hoffman	Renaud
Carson	Horne	Rosendahl
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Connolly	Larivee	Schmidt
Coolahan	Loyola	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Mason	Shepherd
Dach	McCuaig-Boyd	Sigurdson
Dang	McKitrick	Sucha
Drever	McPherson	Sweet
Eggen	Miller	Turner
Feehan	Miranda	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	Woollard

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to reduce the interval between division bells to one minute.

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, moved that the Bill be amended in section 1(3)(b) in the proposed section 22(2.1294)(b) by striking out “9.0%” and substituting “9.1%”.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 21

Aheer	Fildebrandt	Orr
Barnes	Fraser	Pitt
Clark	Gotfried	Schneider
Cooper	Hunter	Starke
Cyr	Loewen	Stier
Drysdale	McIver	Strankman
Ellis	Nixon	Yao

Against the amendment: 46

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Phillips
Babcock	Hoffman	Piquette
Bilous	Horne	Renaud
Carlier	Kazim	Rosendahl
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Ceci	Larivee	Schmidt
Connolly	Loyola	Schreiner
Coolahan	Mason	Shepherd
Cortes-Vargas	McCuaig-Boyd	Sigurdson
Dach	McKitrick	Sucha
Dang	McPherson	Swann
Drever	Miller	Sweet
Feehan	Miranda	Turner
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	Westhead
Ganley	Payne	Woollard
Goehring		

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(4), the Committee recessed at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Mrs. Schreiner, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 2 (A1) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) —
Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 30/2015

Amendment to Bill 2 (A2) (Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 31/2015

Amendment to Bill 2 (A3) (Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 32/2015

Amendment to Bill 2 (A4) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) —
Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 33/2015

Third Reading

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

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 47

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Notley
Babcock	Hoffman	Phillips
Bilous	Horne	Piquette
Carlier	Kazim	Rosendahl
Carson	Kleinstauber	Sabir
Ceci	Larivee	Schmidt
Connolly	Littlewood	Schreiner
Coolahan	Loyola	Shepherd
Dach	Luff	Sigurdson
Drever	Malkinson	Sucha
Eggen	Mason	Swann
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Fitzpatrick	McKitrick	Turner
Ganley	McLean	Westhead
Goehring	McPherson	Woollard
Gray	Miller	

Against the motion: 24

Aheer	Fraser	Rodney
Anderson (Highwood)	Gotfried	Schneider
Bhullar	Jean	Smith
Clark	Loewen	Starke
Cooper	MacIntyre	Strankman
Cyr	McIver	Taylor
Drysdale	Nixon	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Pitt	Yao

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 2 An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:44 p.m. until Thursday, June 25, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 25, 2015

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

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(1.1) in order to complete Ministerial Statements.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, made a statement recognizing the long and distinguished career of former Premier Mr. David Hancock, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Whitemud from 1997 to 2014.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow the Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, the Member for Calgary-Mountain View, the Member for Calgary-Elbow, and himself to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, and Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, then commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Members' Statements

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont, made a statement regarding the Crêpe and Shake Café, a small business in Beaumont, and recognizing the café's owners for their efforts on working with and strengthening their community.

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding the former Government's practice of centralized decision-making that led to a large bureaucracy, and advocating for a grassroots approach to governing, which is more aligned with the Wildrose Party's policies.

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, made a statement regarding 211 Alberta, a telephone-based information and referral service for community, social, health, and government-related services, that is mainly available in urban areas of the province, and asking the Government to make this service available to the whole province.

Ms Woollard, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek, made a statement regarding the newly opened Meadows Library and Meadows Community Recreation Centre, which are housed in the same building.

Mr. Malkinson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding the upcoming 60th anniversary of the Killarney-Glengarry Community Association.

Ms Larivee, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding her godson Vincent Glover, who was killed by a drunk driver in a motor vehicle accident on October 28, 2011, her involvement with MADD Canada, and urging people to not drive while impaired.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, presented a petition from approximately 1,300 Albertans urging the Government to mandate the inclusion of the topic of legal, responsible, healthy, and affirmative sexual consent as part of the sexual education curriculum developed by the Ministry of Education.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Highwood:

Document, undated, entitled “Table 281-0024 Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours (SEPH), employment by type of employee and detailed North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), annual (persons) (4, 15, 17),” relating to comments made by Mr. Anderson during Third Reading debate on Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue, on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 34/2015

Article, undated, entitled “Worthwhile Canadian Initiative,” prepared by Stephen Gordon, relating to comments made by Mr. Anderson during Third Reading debate on Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue, on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 35/2015

Maclean’s website article dated February 19, 2013, entitled “Want to help the poor? Don’t waste your time with the minimum wage,” prepared by Stephen Gordon, relating to comments made by Mr. Anderson during Third Reading debate on Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue, on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 36/2015

Journal of Labour Research website article dated April 3, 2012, entitled “The (Non) Impact of Minimum Wage on Poverty: Regression and Simulation Evidence for Canada,” prepared by Michele Campolieti, Morley Gunderson, and Byron Lee, relating to comments made by Mr. Anderson during Third Reading debate on Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue, on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 37/2015

Canadian Public Policy website article Volume XXXV, No. 3 2009, entitled “Minimum Wage Increases as an Anti-Poverty Policy in Ontario,” prepared by Allison Mascella, Shahzia Teja, and Brennan Thompson, relating to comments made by Mr. Anderson during Third Reading debate on Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue, on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 38/2015

The University of Warwick, Department of Economics Warwick Economic Research Paper, undated, entitled “The other margin: do minimum wages cause working hours adjustments for low-wage earners?,” prepared by Mark Stewart and Joanna Swaffield, relating to comments made by Mr. Anderson during Third Reading debate on Bill 2, An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue, on June 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 39/2015

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow:

Report dated January 23, 2013, entitled “211 Alberta, Discussion and Options Paper,” prepared by Safe Communities, Alberta Justice and Solicitor General, relating to comments made by Mr. Clarke during his Member’s Statement on June 25, 2015

Sessional Paper 40/2015

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West:

Employment advertisements posted on Facebook and on the Edson Leader website for the positions of constituency assistant for eight current Members of the Legislative Assembly

Sessional Paper 41/2015

LinkedIn profile for Brian Stokes, Executive Director, Alberta New Democratic Party

Sessional Paper 42/2015

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster:

Letter dated June 25, 2015, from Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, to Dr. McNeil, Clerk of the Assembly, regarding advertisements for employment opportunities at constituency offices across the province in which the applicants are directed to send their resumes to Brian Stokes, Executive Director of the Alberta New Democratic Party

Sessional Paper 43/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour:

Pursuant to the Veterinary Profession Act, cV-2, s6.1(2), Alberta Veterinary Medical Association, 2014 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 44/2015

Pursuant to the Land Surveyors Act, cL-3, s9(4), Alberta Land Surveyors’ Association, Report of Proceedings of the One Hundred and Fifth Annual General Meeting (2014)

Sessional Paper 45/2015

Pursuant to the Workers’ Compensation Act, cW-15, s93(5), Workers’ Compensation Board – Alberta, 2014 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 46/2015

Speaker's Statement – Pages of the Assembly

The Speaker made a statement recognizing the Pages who would not be returning for the next sitting of the Legislature and read a letter from the departing Pages. The Deputy Speaker then made a statement, and the Deputy Chair of Committees presented the Pages with a gift.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**Government Motions****9.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the First Session of the 29th Legislature 2015 Spring Sitting of the Assembly shall stand adjourned upon the Government House Leader advising the Assembly that the business for the sitting is concluded.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

10. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. The Mental Health Amendment Act, 2007, be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review of the amendments to legislation made by that Act;
2. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
3. In accordance with section 54 of the Mental Health Act, the Committee must submit its report to the Assembly within one year after beginning its review and that report is to include any amendments recommended by the Committee.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

11. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. The Personal Information Protection Act be referred to the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future and the Committee shall be deemed to be the special committee of the Assembly for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review pursuant to section 63 of that Act;
2. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;

3. In accordance with section 63(2) of the Personal Information Protection Act, the Committee must submit its report to the Assembly within 18 months after beginning its review and that report is to include any amendments recommended by the Committee.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

12. Oral notice having been given June 24, 2015, moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. A Select Special Ethics and Accountability Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed to review the Election Act, the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, the Conflicts of Interest Act, and the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, consisting of the following Members, namely,

Gray (Chair)	Jansen	Nixon
Payne (Deputy Chair)	Loyola	Renaud
Anderson (Highwood)	McLean	Starke
Clark	Miller	Swann
Cortes-Vargas	Miranda	van Dijken
Cyr	Nielsen	
2. In carrying out its duties, the Committee may travel throughout Alberta and undertake a process of consultation with all interested Albertans;
3. The Committee shall be deemed to be the special committee of the Assembly for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review of the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, as provided for in section 37 of that Act;
4. In carrying out its duties, the Committee may solicit written submissions from experts in the field;
5. The Committee is deemed to continue beyond prorogation and may meet during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
6. Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for advertising, staff assistance, equipment and supplies, rent, travel, and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chair;
7. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of the public service employed in that department or the staff employed by the Legislative Assembly Office and the Officers of the Legislature;
8. The Committee must submit its report, including any proposed amendments to the Acts, within one year after commencing its review;

9. When its work has been completed, the Committee must report to the Assembly if it is sitting; during a period when the Assembly is adjourned, the Committee may release its report by depositing a copy with the Clerk and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 9 agreed to by the Assembly on June 25, 2015, and Standing Order 3(4)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 4:00 p.m. until Monday, October 26, 2015, at 1:30 p.m., unless otherwise ordered.

FALL SITTING

OCTOBER 26, 2015, TO DECEMBER 10, 2015

Monday, October 26, 2015

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Members Mr. Elmer E. Borstad, Member for Grande Prairie, 1979 to 1982, who passed away on July 18, 2015; Mr. H. Keith Everitt, Member for St. Albert, 1959 to 1971, who passed away on August 26, 2015; and Mr. Stewart A. McCrae, Member for Calgary-Foothills, 1973 to 1982, who passed away on September 2, 2015.

Introduction of a New Member

The Speaker announced that he had received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Calgary-Foothills containing the results of the by-election conducted on September 3, 2015, in the constituency and the said report further showed that Prasad Panda was duly elected as the Member for Calgary-Foothills.

Mr. Panda joined Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, at the Bar and was then escorted to the Mace. Mr. Jean presented Mr. Panda to the Speaker and the Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills took his seat in the Assembly.

Members' Statements

Mrs. Schreiner, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement regarding Habitat for Humanity, the many homes that it has built in Red Deer and Edmonton, and its role in ending the cycle of poverty.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding the new Government's fiscal policies.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, made a statement regarding the new Government's policies.

Mr. Sucha, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, made a statement recognizing Phil Bobawsky, an advocate for those suffering from vision loss and the recipient of the first annual Don Biberdorf Award for his advocacy, and regarding the work of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

Ms Payne, Hon. Member for Calgary-Acadia, made a statement recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Fish Creek Library in Calgary.

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre, made a statement regarding Catie, Dara, and Jana Bott, three sisters who were killed in a farm accident on October 13, 2015.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, cE-2, s44(1):

Letter dated October 5, 2015, from Glen Resler, Chief Electoral Officer, to Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, attaching a report entitled “Failure to File the Candidate’s Campaign Period Financial Statement for the 2015 Provincial General Election”

Sessional Paper 84/2015

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 201 Assuring Alberta’s Fiscal Future Act — Mr. Fraser

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 7

Drysdale	Gotfried	Rodney
Ellis	Jansen	Starke
Fraser		

Against the motion: 71

Aheer	Hoffman	Payne
Anderson (Highwood)	Horne	Phillips
Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hunter	Piquette
Babcock	Jabbour	Pitt
Barnes	Jean	Renaud
Bilous	Kazim	Rosendahl
Carlier	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Carson	Larivee	Schmidt
Ceci	Littlewood	Schneider
Coolahan	Loewen	Schreiner
Cooper	Loyola	Shepherd
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Sigurdson
Cyr	MacIntyre	Smith
Dach	Malkinson	Stier
Dang	Mason	Strankman
Eggen	McKitrick	Sucha
Feehan	McLean	Sweet
Fildebrandt	McPherson	Taylor
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Turner
Ganley	Miranda	van Dijken
Goehring	Nielsen	Westhead
Gray	Nixon	Woollard
Hanson	Orr	Yao
Hinkley	Panda	

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

Bill 202 Alberta Local Food Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Barnes speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

502. Moved by MLA Cortes-Vargas:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the feasibility of including child care facilities in new Government buildings where these facilities are in short supply, and urge the federal government to do the same.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 56

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gotfried	Miranda
Babcock	Gray	Nielsen
Bilous	Hinkley	Payne
Carlier	Hoffman	Phillips
Carson	Horne	Piquette
Ceci	Jabbour	Renaud
Connolly	Jansen	Rodney
Coolahan	Kazim	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Dach	Littlewood	Schmidt
Dang	Loyola	Schreiner
Drever	Luff	Shepherd
Drysdale	Malkinson	Starke
Eggen	Mason	Sucha
Ellis	McIver	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Ganley	McPherson	Woollard
Goehring	Miller	

Against the motion: 9

Aheer	Fildebrandt	Panda
Cooper	Hunter	Pitt
Cyr	Loewen	van Dijken

Intersessional Deposits

Pursuant to Standing Order 38.1(3), the following documents were deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly and are deemed to have been laid before the Assembly:

Ms Miller, Chair, Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund:

Pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, cA-23, s16(2) and Standing Order 55, Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 47/2015

Pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, cA-23, s15(2) and Standing Order 55, Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Third Quarter 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 48/2015

Hon. Ms Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 49/2015

Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd, Minister of Energy, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Energy, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 50/2015

Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Aboriginal Relations, Annual Report 2014-15, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 51/2015

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Service Alberta, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 52/2015

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, Annual Report 2014-15, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 53/2015

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Education, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 54/2015

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Minister of Human Services, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Human Services, Annual Report 2014-15, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 55/2015

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Innovation and Advanced Education, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 56/2015

Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Infrastructure, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 57/2015

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Municipal Affairs, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 58/2015

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Treasury Board and Finance, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 59/2015

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Culture and Tourism, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 60/2015

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Seniors, Annual Report 2014-15, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 61/2015

Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Justice and Solicitor General, Annual Report 2014-15, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 62/2015

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

International and Intergovernmental Relations, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 63/2015

Hon. Mr. Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Agriculture and Rural Development, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 64/2015

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Executive Council, Annual Report 2014-15, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 65/2015

Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Transportation, Annual Report 2014-2015, deposited on June 30, 2015

Sessional Paper 66/2015

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Health, Annual Report 2014-15, deposited on July 6, 2015

Sessional Paper 67/2015

Ms Woollard, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s20(2):

Report of the Auditor General of Alberta, July 2015, deposited on July 6, 2015

Sessional Paper 68/2015

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Pursuant to the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s1(2), s12(1), Government of Alberta, 2014-15 Annual Report, deposited on July 7, 2015

Sessional Paper 69/2015

Pursuant to the Horse Racing Alberta Act, cH-11.3, s10(2), Horse Racing Alberta, 2014 Annual Report, deposited on July 14, 2015

Sessional Paper 70/2015

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Minister of Human Services:

Pursuant to the Social Care Facilities Review Committee Act, cS-11, s16(2), Social Care Facilities Review Committee, 2012-2013 Annual Report, deposited on July 17, 2015

Sessional Paper 71/2015

Pursuant to the Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act, cC-12, s105.792(2), Child and Family Services Council for Quality Assurance, Annual Report 2012-2013 and 2013-2014, deposited on July 17, 2015

Sessional Paper 72/2015

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Minister of Human Services, on behalf of Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, pursuant to the Premier's Council on the Status of Persons with Disabilities Act, cP-21, s7(2):

Premier's Council on the Status of Persons with Disabilities, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on July 17, 2015

Sessional Paper 73/2015

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Pursuant to the Ombudsman Act, cO-8, s28, Alberta Ombudsman, 2014-15 Annual Report, deposited on July 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 74/2015

Pursuant to the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, cP- 39.5, s33(2):

Public Interest Commissioner, 2014-15 Annual Report, deposited on July 24, 2015

Sessional Paper 75/2015

Erratum to the Public Interest Commissioner, 2014-15 Annual Report, deposited on July 29, 2015

Sessional Paper 76/2015

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, pursuant to the Premier's Council on Alberta's Promise Act, cP-20.5, s7(2):

Alberta's Promise, 2014/15 Annual Report, deposited on August 13, 2015

Sessional Paper 77/2015

Ms Miller, Chair, Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, cA-23, s15(2), and Standing Order 55:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, First Quarter 2015-2016, deposited on September 2, 2015

Sessional Paper 78/2015

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Minister of Human Services, pursuant to the Protection Against Family Violence Act, cP-27, s19(2):

Family Violence Death Review Committee, 2014/2015 Annual Report, deposited on September 17, 2015

Sessional Paper 79/2015

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, pursuant to the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act, cA-42, s6(2):

Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board, 2014-2015 Annual Report, deposited on October 1, 2015

Sessional Paper 80/2015

Ms Woollard, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s19(5):

Report of the Auditor General, October 2015, deposited on October 6, 2015
Sessional Paper 81/2015

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Health Quality Council of Alberta Act, cH-7.2, s24(2):

Health Quality Council of Alberta, 2014-2015 Annual Report, deposited on October 8, 2015
Sessional Paper 82/2015

Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd, Minister of Energy, pursuant to the Electric Utilities Act, cE-5.1, s149.1(3):

Alberta Utilities Commission, Billing Transparency Report dated August 17, 2015, deposited on October 23, 2015
Sessional Paper 83/2015

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:01 p.m. until Tuesday, October 27, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Horne, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-St. Albert, made a statement recognizing September 30, 2015, as Orange Shirt Day and regarding the Government's relationship with Alberta's First Nations.

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Battle River-Wainwright, made a statement regarding the importance and need for fair and equal mental health funding for post-secondary students.

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, made a statement regarding the Government's fiscal policies and its effects on Lloydminster's businesses.

Ms Fitzpatrick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding Team Lethbridge, a coalition representing 18 organizations in Lethbridge which offers support to the Government in building solutions for the future and in showcasing the city.

Mr. Piquette, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater, made a statement recognizing Shawnalee Shwetz and Julie Krahulec, community activists who spearheaded the efforts to relocate and revitalize the Anne Chorney Public Library in Waskatenau, and regarding the importance of rural libraries.

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding the principles and policies of the Official Opposition and the Official Opposition working with the Government.

Presenting Petitions

Ms McPherson, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following petitions for Private Bills:

of Dr. Melanie Humphreys, President of the King's University College, and Mr. Bill Diepeveen, Chair of the Board of Governors of The King's University College, for The King's University College Amendment Act, 2015;

of Pastor Ron Steinbrenner, President of Bethesda Bible College, for the Bethesda Bible College Amendment Act, 2015;

of Kunal Nand, Solicitor for Rosary Hall, Edmonton, for the Rosary Hall, Edmonton Repeal Act;

of Mark Haynal, President of the Canadian University College, for the Canadian University College Amendment Act, 2015;

of Geoffrey Hope, Solicitor for Concordia University College of Alberta, for the Concordia University College of Alberta Amendment Act, 2015;

of Audra Reinhardt, member of the Board of Directors of Covenant Bible College, for the Covenant Bible College Amendment Act, 2015;

of Pastor Paul Reich, President of the Living Faith Bible College, for the Living Faith Bible College Amendment Act, 2015.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

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

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Temporary Recess

The Speaker recessed the Assembly at 3:07 p.m. until 3:15 p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**Budget Address / Messages From Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor**

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, delivered certain Messages from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Messages to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following budget-related documents:

2015-16 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, General Revenue Fund
Sessional Paper 85/2015

2015-16 Government Estimates, General Revenue Fund, Lottery Fund
Sessional Paper 86/2015

Pursuant to the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s1(2), s10(1), s10(3), Budget
2015, 2015-18 Strategic Plan
Sessional Paper 87/2015

Pursuant to the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s1(2), s8(2), s10(3), Budget
2015, Ministry Business Plans
Sessional Paper 88/2015

Government Motions

Prior to moving Government Motion 13, Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following budget-related document, pursuant to the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s1(2), s8:

Budget 2015, Fiscal Plan
Sessional Paper 89/2015

13. Moved by Hon. Mr. Ceci:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

Mr. Cooper moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:00 p.m. until Wednesday, October 28, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 28, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, made a statement regarding the Government's proposed Budget 2015.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, made a statement regarding the Heroes of 107th Avenue Project, a collaborative work that will share stories of new immigrants living in communities along 107th Avenue in Edmonton.

Mr. Drysdale, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, made a statement regarding the Progressive Conservative Association of Alberta and the intentions of the Progressive Conservative caucus to advocate for effective Government policies.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding a ride-along she participated in with St. Albert emergency medical services crew Adam Colameco and Steve Murdoch, and recognizing the work of all first responders who serve our communities.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the grand opening of the Academy of Learning Career College, Edmonton West Campus, held on September 29, 2015.

Mr. Malkinson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Elizabeth Fry Society of Calgary.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Ms McPherson, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following report:

In accordance with Standing Order 99, the Standing Committee on Private Bills has reviewed the petitions that were presented Tuesday, October 27, 2015, and can advise the House that all the petitions comply with Standing Orders 90 to 94.

Privilege – Proposed Salary Freeze

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, gave oral notice of his intention to raise a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding comments made by the President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance and a Government press release stating that Executive Council be responsible for a salary freeze for Cabinet Ministers and all Members of the Legislative Assembly, which infringes on his rights as a Member of the Assembly and as a member of the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 203 Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015
— Mr. Strankman

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(3):

Fall 2015 Budget Main Estimates Schedule

Sessional Paper 90/2015

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow:

Report, undated, entitled "Alberta Party Caucus 2015-2016 Alternative Budget,"
prepared by the Alberta Party Caucus

Sessional Paper 91/2015

Privilege – Proposed Salary Freeze

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, raised a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding comments made by the President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance and a Government press release stating that Executive Council be responsible for a salary freeze for Cabinet Ministers and all Members of the Legislative Assembly, which infringes on his rights as a Member of the Assembly and as a member of the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services.

The Speaker heard from Mr. Cooper, Hon. Mr. Mason, Dr. Starke, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Fildebrandt, and Mr. van Dijken.

The Speaker advised that he would take the matter under advisement and rule at a later date.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

19. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

A. Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta effective November 18, 2014, be amended as follows:

1. Standing Order 3(1) is struck out and the following is substituted:

Sitting times and sessional calendar

3(1) Subject to suborder (1.1) and unless otherwise ordered, the sitting hours of the Assembly shall be as follows:

Monday:	1:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Thursday:	9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

(1.1) From the first day of main estimates consideration by the Legislative Policy Committees until the day for the vote on the main estimates in Committee of Supply, the Assembly shall not meet in the morning from 9:00 a.m. – noon.

2. Standing Order 4 is amended

(a) by adding the following after suborder (2):

(2.1) When there is a morning sitting, at noon the Speaker adjourns the Assembly until 1:30 p.m.

(b) in suborder (3) by adding “or (2.1)” after “suborder (2)”.

3. Standing Order 7 is amended in suborder (1) by adding “shall commence at 1:30 p.m. and” after “Assembly”.

4. Standing Order 8(2) is amended by adding “During morning sittings and” before “On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons”.

5. Standing Order 15(2) is amended by adding “afternoon” before “sitting”.

6. Standing Order 30(1) is amended by adding “afternoon” before “sitting”.

7. Standing Order 32 is amended

(a) in suborder (2) by striking out “10 minute” and substituting “15 minute”;

- (b) by striking out suborder (3) and substituting the following:
 - (3) Subject to suborder (3.01) and (3.1), a Member may, after at least one division has been called in Committee of the Whole or Committee of Supply, request unanimous consent for the interval between division bells on any subsequent division during that morning, afternoon or evening sitting, as the case may be, to be reduced to one minute.
 - (3.01) After the first division is called in Committee of the Whole during consideration of a Bill, the interval between division bells on all subsequent divisions relating to that Bill shall be reduced to one minute for the remainder of Committee of the Whole consideration for that morning, afternoon or evening sitting, as the case may be.
8. Standing Order 52.01(1) is amended
- (a) in clause (a)
 - (i) by striking out “Culture and Tourism,”;
 - (ii) by striking out “and Service Alberta” and substituting “, Service Alberta and Status of Women”;
 - (b) in clause (b)
 - (i) by striking out “Agriculture and Rural Development” and substituting “Agriculture and Forestry”;
 - (ii) by striking out “International and Intergovernmental Relations, , Innovation and”;
 - (iii) by striking out “and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour” and substituting “Economic Development and Trade, Culture and Tourism and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour”;
 - (c) in clause (c) by striking out “Environment and Sustainable Resource Development” and substituting “Environment and Parks”.
9. Standing Order 59.01 is amended
- (a) by adding the following after suborder (3):
 - (3.1) During consultation with the Government House Leader under suborder (3), the Official Opposition may designate 4 ministries for which estimates shall be considered for a maximum of 6 hours per ministry provided that the Official Opposition also designates 3 ministries, not including the Executive Council, for which estimates consideration shall be set at 2 hours.
 - (b) in suborder (5)
 - (i) in clause (a)(ii), (iii) and (iv) by striking out “noon” and substituting “12:15 p.m.”;
 - (ii) in clause (d) by adding “subject to suborder (3.1),” before “the estimates”;
 - (c) in suborder (6) by striking out clause (d);

- (d) by striking out suborder (7) and substituting the following:
 - (7) If a ministry's estimates are scheduled to be considered for 2 hours, the speaking times shall be as follows:
 - (a) the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may make opening comments not to exceed 10 minutes,
 - (b) for the next 50 minutes, members of the Official Opposition and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak,
 - (c) for the next 20 minutes, the members of the third party, if any, and the Minister or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak,
 - (d) for the next 20 minutes, the members of any other party represented in the Assembly or any independent Members and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak,
 - (e) for the next 20 minutes, private members of the Government caucus and the Minister or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak, and
 - (f) if there is any time remaining, to the extent possible, the rotation outlined in clauses (b) to (e) shall apply with the speaking times set at 5 minutes as provided in Standing Order 59.02(1)(c).
10. Standing Order 59.02(1)(b) is amended by adding "and 59.01(7)(a) to (e)" after "59.01(6)(a) to (e)".
- B. And be it further resolved that the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing shall meet to review and assess the operation of the morning sittings of the Assembly brought into force by Part A of this motion and report to the Assembly with its recommendations by October 27, 2016, and the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, meet during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued.
 - C. And be it further resolved that the amendments to Standing Order 3 in section 1 of Part A of this motion shall take effect on November 24, 2015, and the remaining amendments in this motion shall come into force on passage.

A debate followed.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, moved that the motion be amended in Part A, section 1, in Standing Order 3 as follows:

- (a) in the proposed suborder (1) by striking out “9:00 a.m.” wherever it appears and substituting “10:00 a.m.”;
- (b) in the proposed suborder (1.1) by striking out “9:00 a.m.” and substituting “10:00 a.m.”.

A debate followed on the amendment.

Mr. Schmidt moved adjournment of the debate on Amendment A1. The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 45

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Miranda
Bilous	Jabbour	Nielsen
Carlier	Jansen	Payne
Connolly	Kazim	Piquette
Cortes-Vargas	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Dach	Larivee	Rosendahl
Dang	Littlewood	Sabir
Drever	Loyola	Schmidt
Feehan	Luff	Schreiner
Fitzpatrick	Malkinson	Shepherd
Ganley	Mason	Sucha
Goehring	McKitrick	Sweet
Gray	McLean	Turner
Hinkley	McPherson	Westhead
Hoffman	Miller	Woollard

Against the motion: 31

Aheer	Gotfried	Pitt
Anderson (Highwood)	Hanson	Rodney
Barnes	Hunter	Schneider
Bhullar	Jean	Smith
Clark	Loewen	Starke
Cooper	MacIntyre	Stier
Cyr	McIver	Strankman
Drysdale	Nixon	Taylor
Ellis	Orr	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Panda	Yao
Fraser		

Mr. Schmidt moved adjournment of the debate on the main motion, which was agreed to.

15. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, notwithstanding Standing Order 3(6), the only constituency week for the 2015 Fall Sitting shall be held the week of November 9, 2015, with the Assembly reconvening on Monday, November 16, 2015.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

16. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), commencing November 23, 2015, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business for the duration of the 2015 Fall Sitting unless, on motion by the Government House Leader made before 6:00 p.m., which may be made orally and without notice, the Assembly is adjourned to the following sitting day.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

17. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that Standing Order 19(1)(c) be waived and that the Speaker put every question necessary to dispose of the motion for an address in reply to the Lieutenant Governor's speech of June 15, 2015, on December 2, 2015, at 5:45 p.m. unless the debate on the motion is previously concluded.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

13. Moved by Hon. Mr. Ceci:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:46 p.m. until Thursday, October 29, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 29, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Coolahan, Hon. Member for Calgary-Klein, made a statement regarding the uncertainty surrounding an affordable housing project on land in the constituency of Calgary-Klein and asking the Government to consider alternate affordable housing projects for the land.

Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills, made a statement recognizing Diwali, the five-day Hindu festival of lights, and the celebration held in the Legislature Rotunda on October 28, 2015.

Ms Kazim, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement recognizing October 24, 2015, as the Day of Ashura.

MLA Miranda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, made a statement recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Shock Trauma Air Rescue Society (STARS) and regarding its dedication to providing emergency response to Albertans.

Mrs. Littlewood, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding the new Health Link 811 phone number implemented in the summer of 2015, its value to Albertans living in rural and remote areas, and the addition of specialized dementia support services to Health Link 811 in October 2015.

Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, made a statement regarding Pathways Community Services Association in Calgary and thanking the Association for its work to strengthen families and communities.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill Pr1 The King's University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Schmidt

Bill Pr2 Bethesda Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nielsen

Bill Pr3 Rosary Hall, Edmonton Repeal Act — Mr. Shepherd

Bill Pr4 Canadian University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Orr

Bill Pr5 Concordia University College of Alberta Amendment Act, 2015 —
Ms McLean

Bill Pr6 Covenant Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Fildebrandt

Bill Pr7 Living Faith Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nixon

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(3):

Document entitled “Fall 2015 Budget Main Estimates Schedule – October 29,” a revised schedule based on current Standing Orders, awaiting decision of the Assembly on Government Motion 19

Sessional Paper 92/2015

Mr. McIver, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition:

Action to End Poverty in Alberta website article, undated, entitled “Action to End Poverty in Alberta”

Sessional Paper 93/2015

Report dated July 2014 entitled “Alberta’s short-term employment forecast 2014-2016,” prepared by the Alberta Government

Sessional Paper 94/2015

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills:

Report, undated, entitled “Restoring Trust, Wildrose Proposals to Strengthen Alberta’s Legislature and Democracy,” prepared by Wildrose Official Opposition, relating to comments made by Mr. Cooper in the Assembly on October 28, 2015

Sessional Paper 95/2015

News release dated October 27, 2015, entitled “Budget 2015 supports jobs and families,” prepared by the Government of Alberta, relating to comments made by Mr. Cooper during the point of privilege he raised on October 28, 2015

Sessional Paper 96/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

20. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the membership for the following committees of the Assembly be replaced as follows:

Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund

(9 Members)

Miller (Chair)	Ellis	Sucha
Nielsen (Deputy Chair)	McKittrick	Taylor
Cyr	Renaud	Turner

Standing Committee on Legislative Offices (11 Members)

Cortes-Vargas (Chair)	Cooper	Shepherd
Sweet (Deputy Chair)	Horne	van Dijken
Bhullar	Kleinsteuber	Woollard
Connolly	Nixon	

Standing Committee on Private Bills (15 Members)

McPherson (Chair)	Drever	Littlewood
Connolly (Deputy Chair)	Drysdale	McKittrick
Anderson (Highwood)	Fraser	Rosendahl
Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Stier
Babcock	Kleinsteuber	Strankman

Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing (15 Members)

Littlewood (Chair)	Ellis	Nielsen
Fitzpatrick (Deputy Chair)	Hanson	Schneider
Carson	Kazim	Starke
Coolahan	Loyola	van Dijken
Cooper	McPherson	Woollard

Special Standing Committee on Members' Services (11 Members)

Wanner (Chair)	Luff	Nixon
Schmidt (Deputy Chair)	McIver	Piquette
Cooper	McLean	Schreiner
Fildebrandt	Nielsen	

Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future (15 Members)

Miranda (Chair)	Coolahan	Hunter
Schneider (Deputy Chair)	Dach	Jansen
Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Fitzpatrick	Piquette
Carson	Gotfried	Schreiner
Connolly	Hanson	Taylor

Standing Committee on Families and Communities (15 Members)

Sweet (Chair)	Luff	Rodney
Smith (Deputy Chair)	McPherson	Shepherd
Hinkley	Orr	Swann
Jansen	Payne	Westhead
Littlewood	Pitt	Yao

Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship (15 Members)

Goehring (Chair)	Dang	MacIntyre
Loewen (Deputy Chair)	Drysdale	Rosendahl
Aheer	Horne	Stier
Babcock	Kazim	Sucha
Clark	Kleinsteuber	Woollard

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

21. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. The 2014 Annual Report of the Alberta Property Rights Advocate Office be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship for the purpose of conducting a review of the recommendations outlined in the Report;
2. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
3. In accordance with section 5(5) of the Property Rights Advocate Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 60 days of the Report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders**Second Reading**

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

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Hon. Mr. Ceci moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Motions**13.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Ceci:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Jean speaking.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, November 2, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, November 2, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South West, made a statement recognizing Evan Tran, a 21-year old University of Alberta student who suffered with mental health issues and took his own life on October 11, 2015, and regarding the Government's recently announced mental health review.

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, made a statement regarding the proposed Budget 2015 and how the Government's new fiscal policies are affecting constituents and businesses in the Drayton Valley-Devon constituency.

Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, made a statement regarding the horrors of the anti-Sikh riots in India on October 31, 1984.

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement commending the Government for its Springbank flood mitigation strategy.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement recognizing November 1 to 7, 2015, as National Down Syndrome Awareness Week, and thanking the Canadian Down Syndrome Society and local Down syndrome associations for their work.

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, made a statement regarding the success of the accelerated Christian education program used by Hope Christian School in Champion.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Securities Act, cS-4, s20(2):

Alberta Securities Commission, 2015 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 97/2015

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Metro News website article dated October 24, 2015, entitled “Alberta tax credit for adding new employees simply not needed: EEDC,” relating to comments made by Dr. Swann during Oral Question Period the week of October 26, 2015
Sessional Paper 98/2015

Calgary Herald website article dated August 27, 2015, entitled “Small business confidence in Alberta nearing historic low,” relating to comments made by Dr. Swann during Oral Question Period the week of October 26, 2015
Sessional Paper 99/2015

Report dated September 2015 entitled “Business Barometer, Alberta,” prepared by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, relating to comments made by Dr. Swann during Oral Question Period the week of October 26, 2015
Sessional Paper 100/2015

Privilege – Proposed Salary Freeze

Honourable Members, I would like to issue a ruling concerning the purported question of privilege raised by the Official Opposition House Leader last Wednesday, October 28, 2015, the discussion of which can be found at pages 351 to 355 of the Hansard for that day.

In a nutshell, the essence of the Member’s purported question of privilege is that the news release issued by the Minister of Finance’s department prior to the delivery of the budget prejudged a decision by the Special Standing Committee on Members’ Services by stating that Ministers and Members would take a pay freeze not only until 2017 but until the end of this Legislature.

I would point out to the House that this is the first question of privilege that I have had to address in this Legislature and it may well be the first one that most Members have witnessed.

While I do not wish to take more time than necessary in delivering this ruling, I think it is important to outline some essential elements of privilege for the benefit of new Members. I personally did considerable research on this matter and on all the precedents of this Assembly.

Members should be advised that there are some formalities to be followed in raising a purported question of privilege. Under Standing Order 15(2), notice of a question of privilege must be provided to the Speaker’s office at least two hours before the opening of the sitting. In this case, notice was received in my office at 11:18 a.m. on Wednesday, October 28, so the precondition has been met.

To expand upon the allegations in this case, the Minister of Finance’s department issued, according to the Official Opposition House Leader at page 351 of Hansard for October 28, 2015, a news release stating as follows:

Budget 2015 takes a careful and responsible approach to managing government finances, steadily phasing out the deficit without reckless cuts to the frontline services Albertans rely on. This includes . . . [a] salary freeze for Cabinet Ministers, MLAs and political staff for the entire term of this Legislature . . .

The Member further states that this news release was presented while the Minister of Finance was delivering his budget speech in this Assembly on Tuesday, October 27.

As the Government House Leader pointed out in speaking to this issue, what was in the news release differed from what the Minister of Finance actually said in this Assembly. At page 333 of Alberta Hansard for October 27, the Minister of Finance said:

Our Government will propose that Members of this House agree to freeze the salaries of the members of Cabinet, MLAs, and political staff positions for the entire term of this Legislature; in other words, until after the next election in four years.

I draw Members' attention to the use of the word "propose" in this statement rather than "implement" or "put into place" or some other phrase that would imply that the Government was taking action without respecting the Assembly's jurisdiction.

The question arises as to what law or rule of this Assembly or Parliament in general that this action allegedly violates.

First, while this matter is raised as a question of privilege, it may actually be what is known as a contempt of the Assembly. The distinction is discussed in the following quotation from House of Commons Procedure and Practice, Second Edition, at page 82, where it is said:

It is important to distinguish between a "breach of privilege" and a "contempt of Parliament." Any disregard of or attack on the rights, powers and immunities of the House and its Members, either by an outside person or body, or by a Member of the House, is referred to as a "breach of privilege" and is punishable by the House. There are, however, other affronts against the dignity and authority of Parliament which may not fall within one of the specifically defined privileges. Thus, the House also claims the right to punish, as a contempt, any action which, though not a breach of a specific privilege, tends to obstruct or impede the House in the performance of its functions; obstructs or impedes any Member or officer of the House in the discharge of their duties; or is an offence against the authority or dignity of the House, such as disobedience of its legitimate commands or libels upon itself, its Members, or its officers.

This was the definition of contempt used by Speaker Zwozdesky in his October 31, 2013, ruling, which can be found at pages 2655 to 2657 of Alberta Hansard for that day, on a somewhat related matter, about which I will say more later.

The issue of contempt was relevant to the questions of privilege raised in late 2013. The December 2, 2013, ruling by Speaker Zwozdesky where he found a prima facie question of privilege was referred to several times during discussion of this matter.

In the 2013 case the Government of the day had published brochures that went to every home in Alberta which, amongst other things, stated that MLAs' salaries were going to be frozen until 2017 when in fact the motion to do so in the appropriate committee was not moved until after the brochures had been distributed. I would invite Members to review Speaker Zwozdesky's comments in finding a prima facie question of privilege at pages 3231 to 3235 of Alberta Hansard for December 2, 2013.

In the case before the Assembly today, there was a news release issued at the same time that the Minister was presenting his Budget Address in this Assembly. The Address gives appropriate respect and deference to the decision-making bodies while the news release, arguably, does not. In this case there is ambiguity between the Minister's statement in the Assembly and news release. When they are occurring at the same time, can the news release be said to prejudge the actions of a Committee of the Assembly when the Budget Address does not? In my view, this possible misstatement in a news release does not give rise to a prima facie question of privilege.

Since being elected Speaker in June this year, I have come to appreciate how context is so very important in understanding what occurs in this Assembly. It is clear from the research I have conducted that the Government of the day had been warned about not showing adequate respect for the Assembly in an October 31, 2013, ruling by Speaker Zwozdesky about the release of the contents of the Bill involving the then Minister of Transportation. A prima facie question of privilege was not found, but the Speaker warned the Government about advertising Bills as if they had passed and about early release of Bills on notice. There seems to be a wide gulf of difference between those events and the one under review today.

The Government of the day appears not to have heeded the warnings and advertised province-wide about wage freezes that were not within the Government's jurisdiction and were not before the appropriate committee. I want to thank the Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster for making this point and for adding context to the discussion.

One other point that I reflected upon is that the non-increase in pay for Members and Ministers is already in place and will be so until March 31, 2017. What the Government is proposing would extend the time period, but technically it has nothing to do with the estimates for this fiscal year or even the next fiscal year. Could this be a relevant question of privilege when the decisions would not take place for 18 months from now?

While this is not a prima facie question of privilege, I would caution the Government not to prejudge the actions of the Assembly or its committees in the future. It is my hope that this would not arise again, and I would stress to Members that this Speaker, on behalf of this Assembly, does not take these matters lightly.

This matter is now concluded for all purposes.

In conclusion, I want to remind Members that true questions of privilege should arise infrequently. As Joseph Maingot says in his book, *Parliamentary Privilege in Canada*, Second Edition, at page 217: “A genuine question of privilege is therefore a serious matter not to be reckoned with lightly and accordingly ought to be rare, and thus rarely raised in the House of Commons.”

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 202 Alberta Local Food Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 50

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Ganley	Nielsen
Babcock	Gray	Payne
Bhullar	Hinkley	Phillips
Bilous	Hoffman	Piquette
Carson	Horne	Renaud
Ceci	Jabbour	Rodney
Clark	Kazim	Rosendahl
Connolly	Kleinstauber	Sabir
Coolahan	Littlewood	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schreiner
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Swann
Eggen	McKitrick	Sweet
Ellis	McLean	Turner
Feehan	McPherson	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Miller	

Against the motion: 15

Aheer	Loewen	Schneider
Barnes	MacIntyre	Smith
Cooper	Nixon	Strankman
Cyr	Orr	Taylor
Hunter	Pitt	Yao

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

Bill 202 Alberta Local Food Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas

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

Bill 203 Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015
— Mr. Strankman

A debate followed.

Ms Gray, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, moved that the motion for Second Reading of Bill 203, Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015, be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 203, Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015, be not now read a Second time but that the Order be discharged, the Bill withdrawn, and the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Select Special Ethics and Accountability Committee as part of its current review.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 44

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Notley
Babcock	Hinkley	Payne
Bilous	Hoffman	Phillips
Carson	Horne	Piquette
Ceci	Jabbour	Renaud
Connolly	Kazim	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Littlewood	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Malkinson	Schreiner
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Shepherd
Drever	McKitrick	Sucha
Eggen	McLean	Sweet
Feehan	McPherson	Turner
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Westhead
Ganley	Nielsen	

Against the amendment: 27

Aheer	Hunter	Rodney
Barnes	Jean	Schneider
Clark	Loewen	Smith
Cooper	MacIntyre	Starke
Cyr	McIver	Strankman
Drysdale	Nixon	Swann
Ellis	Orr	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Panda	van Dijken
Gotfried	Pitt	Yao

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(1) to allow the Assembly to proceed to Motions Other Than Government Motions.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

503. Moved by Mr. Dang:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consult with school boards and youth to encourage senior high school student participation on boards with a view to increasing dialogue, increasing student engagement in board policy and planning, and educating students about democratic governance.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:24 p.m. until Tuesday, November 3, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Piquette, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater, made a statement regarding the jobs created at the North West Redwater Partnership Sturgeon Refinery Project and the pre-trades training provided by Women Building Futures.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie, made a statement recognizing November 2015 as Family Violence Prevention Month and regarding the Airdrie women's shelter campaign known as Airdrie POWER.

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding job losses and the economic downturn in the coal mining and coal-fired electricity generation industries.

Ms Fitzpatrick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the AIDS Outreach Community Harm Reduction Education Support Society in Lethbridge, otherwise known as the ARCHES program.

Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the work of the Light Up Your Life Society, which supports palliative and hospice care in the tri-community area of Stony Plain, Spruce Grove, and Parkland County, their annual Light Up Your Life fundraising campaign, and congratulating the Society on receiving a 2015 Minister's Senior Service Award.

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding a lack of cooperation during consideration of Bill 203, Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015, sponsored by Mr. Strankman.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader:

Alberta Government website transcript of a CBC News Network interview with Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition

Sessional Paper 101/2015

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 2:46 p.m. until Wednesday, November 4, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 4, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement regarding consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance and the Government's long-term fiscal plan.

Mr. Rosendahl, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement recognizing November 4, 2015, as National 4-H Day, also known as Show Your 4-H Colours Day, which is the start of National 4-H Month in November 2015.

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding the Government's new job creation subsidy program.

Mrs. Schreiner, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement regarding Permolex, based in Red Deer, a producer of ethanol and other bio-fuel products.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the work of the Alberta Real Estate Association.

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding the generosity of Albertans who donate to charities, particularly in Lacombe and area, where there is the highest percentage of donors in Alberta and the highest median donation in Canada.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following three motions:

Be it resolved that Standing Order 52.01(1) be amended as follows:

1. in clause (a)
 - (i) by striking out "and Service Alberta" and substituting ", Service Alberta and Status of Women";
2. in clause (b)
 - (i) by striking out "Agriculture and Rural Development" and substituting "Agriculture and Forestry";
 - (ii) by striking out "International and Intergovernmental Relations, Innovation and";
 - (iii) by striking out "and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour" and substituting "Economic Development and Trade and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour";
3. in clause (c) by striking out "Environment and Sustainable Resource Development" and substituting "Environment and Parks".

- A. Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta effective November 18, 2014, be amended as follows:
1. The heading preceding Standing Order 78.1 is amended by striking out “Legislative Policy”.
 2. The heading preceding Standing Order 78.3 and Standing Order 78.3(1) are struck out and the following is substituted:

Report of committee on a Bill
78.3(1) A standing or special committee to which a Bill has been referred by the Assembly after second reading shall be empowered to report the same with or without amendments or to report that the Bill not proceed.
 3. The heading preceding Standing Order 78.4 is amended by striking out “Legislative Policy”.
 4. The following Standing Orders are amended by striking out “Legislative Policy Committee” wherever it occurs and substituting “standing or special committee”:
 - (a) 8(7)(c);
 - (b) 52.02;
 - (c) 74.1(1);
 - (d) 74.2(1);
 - (e) 78.1(1);
 - (f) 78.2(1).
- B. And be it further resolved that these amendments come into force on passage.

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly rescind its approval of Amendment A1 to the motion for Second Reading of Bill 203, Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015, so that the Bill retains its place at Second Reading on the Order Paper with 68 minutes of time for debate remaining.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader:

Revised Fall 2015 Budget Main Estimates Schedule dated November 4, 2015
Sessional Paper 102/2015

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Alberta NDP website article dated April 28, 2015, entitled "Statement by NDP leader Rachel Notley on the Day of Mourning"

Sessional Paper 103/2015

Western Producer website article dated August 31, 2012, entitled "Labour law inclusion demanded for Alta. farms"

Sessional Paper 104/2015

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 2:58 p.m. until Thursday, November 5, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 5, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement recognizing the sacrifices of Canadians in the military and Remembrance Day, November 11, 2015.

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock, made a statement regarding the challenges faced by Alberta farmers this growing season and the many industries and individuals required to get harvests to market.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the Supreme Court of Canada's ruling on physician-assisted dying and the need for public engagement on the issue.

Mr. Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement recognizing the 31st anniversary of the Sikh genocide that occurred on October 31, 1984.

Ms McKittrick, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the Green Routine recycling program in Strathcona County and Greenmunch, a business located in Sherwood Park that sells Earth-friendly and sustainable products, specializing in compostable dinnerware, food packaging, and event supplies.

Mr. Connolly, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hawkwood, made a statement regarding Remembrance Day, November 11, 2015, and recognizing the 100th anniversary of the poem “In Flanders Fields.”

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 5 Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act — Hon. Ms Ganley

Bill 204 Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Drever

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon:

Memo dated September 3, 2015, from Rick Massini, First Vice President, Kathy Cooper, Second Vice President, and Kathleen Linder, Director, Public School Boards’ Association of Alberta, to Member Boards regarding a special levy concerning potential litigation on the matter of separate school district expansion, relating to comments made by Mr. Smith during Oral Question Period on November 5, 2015

Sessional Paper 105/2015

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism:

Email message dated November 5, 2015, from Mary Lynn Campbell, Executive Director, Public School Boards’ Association of Alberta, to Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism, providing the text of a quote by Rick Massini, First Vice President, Public School Boards’ Association of Alberta, concerning litigation to stop Catholic education

Sessional Paper 106/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Larivee, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Minister of Service Alberta:

Pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, cM-26, s708.09, Capital Region Board, 2014/15 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 107/2015

Pursuant to the Vital Statistics Act, cV-4.1, s64, Alberta Vital Statistics, Annual Review 2013

Sessional Paper 108/2015

Pursuant to the Safety Codes Act, cS-1, s25(3), Safety Codes Council, Annual Report 2014

Sessional Paper 109/2015

Pursuant to the Special Areas Act, cS-16, s19(2), Special Areas Trust Account,
Financial Statements dated December 31, 2014

Sessional Paper 110/2015

Pursuant to the Government Organization Act, cG-10, sch10, s10(3):

Alberta Boilers Safety Association, Annual Report 2014 dated October 31, 2014

Sessional Paper 111/2015

Alberta Elevating Devices and Amusement Rides Safety Association, 2014/2015
Annual Report

Sessional Paper 112/2015

Authorized Accredited Agency Summary, 2013-2014

Sessional Paper 113/2015

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and
Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Results-based Budgeting Act, cR-17.5, s3:

Results-based Budgeting Report to Albertans dated November 2015

Sessional Paper 114/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

23. Oral notice having been given November 4, 2015, moved by Hon. Ms Phillips on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason:
- A. Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta effective November 18, 2014, be amended as follows:
1. The heading preceding Standing Order 78.1 is amended by striking out “Legislative Policy”.
 2. The heading preceding Standing Order 78.3 and Standing Order 78.3(1) are struck out and the following is substituted:
Report of committee on a Bill
78.3(1) A standing or special committee to which a Bill has been referred by the Assembly after second reading shall be empowered to report the same with or without amendments or to report that the Bill not proceed.
 3. The heading preceding Standing Order 78.4 is amended by striking out “Legislative Policy”.
 4. The following Standing Orders are amended by striking out “Legislative Policy Committee” wherever it occurs and substituting “standing or special committee”:

- (a) 8(7)(c);
- (b) 52.02;
- (c) 74.1(1);
- (d) 74.2(1);
- (e) 78.1(1);
- (f) 78.2(1).

B. And be it further resolved that these amendments come into force on passage.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

24. Oral notice having been given November 4, 2015, moved by Hon. Ms Phillips on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly rescind its approval of Amendment A1 to the motion for Second Reading of Bill 203, Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015, so that the Bill retains its place at Second Reading on the Order Paper with 68 minutes of time for debate remaining.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

19. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

A. Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta effective November 18, 2014, be amended as follows:

1. Standing Order 3(1) is struck out and the following is substituted:

Sitting times and sessional calendar

3(1) Subject to suborder (1.1) and unless otherwise ordered, the sitting hours of the Assembly shall be as follows:

- Monday: 1:30 – 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:30 – 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:30 – 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

(1.1) From the first day of main estimates consideration by the Legislative Policy Committees until the day for the vote on the main estimates in Committee of Supply, the Assembly shall not meet in the morning from 9:00 a.m. – noon.

2. Standing Order 4 is amended
 - (a) by adding the following after suborder (2):
 - (2.1) When there is a morning sitting, at noon the Speaker adjourns the Assembly until 1:30 p.m.
 - (b) in suborder (3) by adding “or (2.1)” after “suborder (2)”.
3. Standing Order 7 is amended in suborder (1) by adding “shall commence at 1:30 p.m. and” after “Assembly”.
4. Standing Order 8(2) is amended by adding “During morning sittings and” before “On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons”.
5. Standing Order 15(2) is amended by adding “afternoon” before “sitting”.
6. Standing Order 30(1) is amended by adding “afternoon” before “sitting”.
7. Standing Order 32 is amended
 - (a) in suborder (2) by striking out “10 minute” and substituting “15 minute”;
 - (b) by striking out suborder (3) and substituting the following:
 - (3) Subject to suborder (3.01) and (3.1), a Member may, after at least one division has been called in Committee of the Whole or Committee of Supply, request unanimous consent for the interval between division bells on any subsequent division during that morning, afternoon or evening sitting, as the case may be, to be reduced to one minute.
 - (3.01) After the first division is called in Committee of the Whole during consideration of a Bill, the interval between division bells on all subsequent divisions relating to that Bill shall be reduced to one minute for the remainder of Committee of the Whole consideration for that morning, afternoon or evening sitting, as the case may be.
8. Standing Order 52.01(1) is amended
 - (a) in clause (a)
 - (i) by striking out “Culture and Tourism,”;
 - (ii) by striking out “and Service Alberta” and substituting “, Service Alberta and Status of Women”;
 - (b) in clause (b)
 - (i) by striking out “Agriculture and Rural Development” and substituting “Agriculture and Forestry”;
 - (ii) by striking out “International and Intergovernmental Relations, , Innovation and”;
 - (iii) by striking out “and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour” and substituting “Economic Development and Trade, Culture and Tourism and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour”;

- (c) in clause (c) by striking out “Environment and Sustainable Resource Development” and substituting “Environment and Parks”.
9. Standing Order 59.01 is amended
- (a) by adding the following after suborder (3):

(3.1) During consultation with the Government House Leader under suborder (3), the Official Opposition may designate 4 ministries for which estimates shall be considered for a maximum of 6 hours per ministry provided that the Official Opposition also designates 3 ministries, not including the Executive Council, for which estimates consideration shall be set at 2 hours.
 - (b) in suborder (5)
 - (i) in clause (a)(ii), (iii) and (iv) by striking out “noon” and substituting “12:15 p.m.”;
 - (ii) in clause (d) by adding “subject to suborder (3.1),” before “the estimates”;
 - (c) in suborder (6) by striking out clause (d);
 - (d) by striking out suborder (7) and substituting the following:

(7) If a ministry’s estimates are scheduled to be considered for 2 hours, the speaking times shall be as follows:

 - (a) the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister’s behalf, may make opening comments not to exceed 10 minutes,
 - (b) for the next 50 minutes, members of the Official Opposition and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister’s behalf, may speak,
 - (c) for the next 20 minutes, the members of the third party, if any, and the Minister or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister’s behalf, may speak,
 - (d) for the next 20 minutes, the members of any other party represented in the Assembly or any independent Members and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister’s behalf, may speak,
 - (e) for the next 20 minutes, private members of the Government caucus and the Minister or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister’s behalf, may speak, and
 - (f) if there is any time remaining, to the extent possible, the rotation outlined in clauses (b) to (e) shall apply with the speaking times set at 5 minutes as provided in Standing Order 59.02(1)(c).

10. Standing Order 59.02(1)(b) is amended by adding “and 59.01(7)(a) to (e)” after “59.01(6)(a) to (e)”.
- B. And be it further resolved that the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing shall meet to review and assess the operation of the morning sittings of the Assembly brought into force by Part A of this motion and report to the Assembly with its recommendations by October 27, 2016, and the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, meet during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued.
- C. And be it further resolved that the amendments to Standing Order 3 in section 1 of Part A of this motion shall take effect on November 24, 2015, and the remaining amendments in this motion shall come into force on passage.

Debate continued on amendment A1 introduced by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Old-Didsbury-Three Hills, on October 28, 2015, that the motion be amended in Part A, section 1, in Standing Order 3 as follows:

- (a) in the proposed suborder (1) by striking out “9:00 a.m.” wherever it appears and substituting “10:00 a.m.”;
- (b) in the proposed suborder (1.1) by striking out “9:00 a.m.” and substituting “10:00 a.m.”.

Hon. Ms Phillips, Deputy Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, moved that amendment A1 to Government Motion 19 be amended by striking out clause (a) and substituting the following:

- (a) in the proposed suborder (1) by striking out “Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – noon” and substituting “Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – noon”;

A debate followed on the subamendment.

The question being put, the subamendment was agreed to.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie, moved that Government Motion 19 be amended in Part A, section 1, in Standing Order 3 by adding the following after the proposed suborder (1.1):

- (1.2) Notwithstanding Standing Order 4(1), on any day that the Assembly meets in the morning, the Assembly shall not meet for an evening sitting.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Ms McPherson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill, moved that Government Motion 19 be amended by striking out Part C and substituting the following:

- C. And be it further resolved that the amendments to Standing Order 3 in section 1 of Part A shall take effect on November 24, 2015, the amendments to Standing Orders 59.01 and 59.02 in sections 9 and 10 of Part A shall take effect on January 1, 2016, and the remaining amendments in this motion shall come into force on passage.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

The question being put, the motion as amended was agreed to.

13. Moved by Hon. Mr. Ceci:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. McIver speaking.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 15 agreed to by the Assembly on October 28, 2015, and Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, November 16, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, November 16, 2015

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier, made a statement regarding the two recent terrorist attacks in Paris and Lebanon and regarding the federal government's proposal to accept Syrian refugees into Canada.

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow Members to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, then commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Ms Gray, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the palliative care program at the Grey Nuns Community Hospital and recognizing the work of all palliative care providers.

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement regarding job losses and businesses affected by the cancellation of the Keystone XL Pipeline and the role of the Government in supporting pipeline construction.

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement in support of Motion Other Than a Government Motion 514, which proposes the creation of a seniors' charter.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Ms Luff, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the Cornerstone Youth Centre in Calgary.

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement congratulating the Terra Child and Family Support Centre on receiving the Child Development Professional Award of Excellence for 2015.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, made a statement regarding the Government's energy policies and how these policies have been affecting the economy.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bill:

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
 Ms Sigurdson

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, pursuant to the Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta Act, cS-6, s7(2):

Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, Annual Report 2014-2015
Sessional Paper 115/2015

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations:

Alberta Human Rights Commission, Annual Report 2014-15, April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015

Sessional Paper 116/2015

Alberta Law Enforcement Review Board, 2014 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 117/2015

Pursuant to the Northern Alberta Development Council Act, cN-4, s8, Northern Alberta Development Council, Annual Report 2014-2015

Sessional Paper 118/2015

Pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s5(4), Law Society of Alberta, 2014 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 119/2015

Pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s124(2), Financial Statements of the Alberta Law Foundation, year ended March 31, 2015

Sessional Paper 120/2015

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism:

Travel Alberta, Annual Report 2014-2015

Sessional Paper 121/2015

Pursuant to the Alberta Foundation for the Arts Act, cA-19, s14(2), Alberta Foundation for the Arts, 2014-15 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 122/2015

Pursuant to the Alberta Sport Connection Act, cA-34, s13(3), Alberta Sport Connection, Annual Report 2014-15

Sessional Paper 123/2015

Pursuant to the Historical Resources Act, cH-9, s47, Alberta Historical Resources Foundation, 2014-15 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 124/2015

Pursuant to the Wild Rose Foundation Act, cW-8, s7(3), Wild Rose Foundation, Annual Report 2014-15

Sessional Paper 125/2015

Pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2), Alberta Teachers' Association, 2014 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 126/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

The following Bills were read a Second time and passed:

Bill 203 Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015
— Mr. Strankman

Bill 204 Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence)
Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Drever

Pursuant to Standing Order 78.1 and on motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the following Bill was referred to the Select Special Ethics and Accountability Committee for the committee's review:

Bill 203 Election (Restrictions on Government Advertising) Amendment Act, 2015
— Mr. Strankman

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(1) to allow the Assembly to proceed to Motions Other Than Government Motions.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

504. Moved by Mr. Kleinstaubert:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the feasibility of regional transit services in the province.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:37 p.m. until Tuesday, November 17, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 17, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, made a statement recognizing the 40th anniversary of Gateway Association in Edmonton and the recent Government announcement that the association will receive a grant from the Employment First Innovation Fund.

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding the low water reserves for Milk River and Coutts and the need for both short-term and long-term solutions.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, made a statement regarding comments made by Hon. Ms Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, during consideration of the estimates for the Status of Women.

Ms McLean, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Varsity Community Association in Calgary.

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement recognizing November 2015 as Diabetes Awareness Month.

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, made a statement regarding the education system and asking the Government to work with the Wildrose caucus and implement policies to protect the interests of all students.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
Ms Sigurdson

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West:

Report, undated, entitled "Family Violence Hurts Everyone: A Framework to End Family Violence in Alberta," prepared by the Alberta Government

Sessional Paper 127/2015

Page 44 of a report, undated, entitled “Family Violence Hurts Everyone: A Framework to End Family Violence in Alberta,” prepared by the Alberta Government, containing a highlighted section which defines gender and sexually diverse people

Sessional Paper 128/2015

Letter dated October 5, 2015, from Teresa Osiowy of Calgary to Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism, expressing concern and highlighting issues about the current and proposed wording of the Home Education Regulation and how this will affect homeschooling in Alberta

Sessional Paper 129/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry:

Pursuant to the Agriculture Financial Services Act, cA-12, s15(2), Agriculture Financial Services Corporation, Annual Report 2014-15

Sessional Paper 130/2015

Pursuant to the Livestock Identification and Commerce Act, cL-16.2, s90(3), Livestock Identification Services Ltd., Report to the Minister and Summary of Activities, Reporting Period: April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015 (2014-2015 Fiscal Year)

Sessional Paper 131/2015

Pursuant to the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, cM-4, s14(2), Alberta Agricultural Products Marketing Council, Annual Report 2014-15

Sessional Paper 132/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 4, An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

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

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:59 p.m. until Wednesday, November 18, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement expressing concern about Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement asking all Members of the Legislative Assembly to nominate the Emeralds Show and Dance Band to be inducted into Canada's Walk of Fame in 2016.

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, made a statement reflecting on the past six months since the New Democratic Party was elected as the Government.

Dr. Turner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the constituency of Edmonton-Whitemud and recognizing the initiatives of St. Thomas More Catholic Parish and Brander Gardens ROCKS (Reaching Out to Community Kids).

Ms Woollard, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek, made a statement regarding her recent tour of Mosaic Entertainment of Edmonton, a skit comedy company, an example of a successful and creative Alberta business.

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement recognizing the 26th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall (some comments made in German).

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 205 Persons with Developmental Disabilities Services (Public Consultation) Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Renaud

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mrs. Littlewood, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville:

Calgary Herald website article dated November 17, 2015, entitled “Braid: Alberta farm workers win the long struggle for basic rights”

Sessional Paper 133/2015

Calgary Herald website article dated November 18, 2015, entitled “Farm safety breakthrough; Proposed rules to ensure safe workplaces, protect workers”

Sessional Paper 134/2015

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow:

Report dated November 18, 2015, entitled “Alberta’s Contribution, Alberta Party Caucus Climate Change Plan,” prepared by the Alberta Party caucus

Sessional Paper 135/2015

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills:

Document, undated, entitled “An Open Letter to Premier Notley from the Mayors and Reeves of Over 30 Municipalities in Alberta,” relating to comments made by Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, during Oral Question Period on November 18, 2015

Sessional Paper 136/2015

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster:

Letter dated November 18, 2015, from Dr. Starke, Progressive Conservative Opposition House Leader, to Hon. Ms Notley, Premier, asking that the Premier relieve Hon. Ms Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, from her duties as Minister Responsible for the Status of Women

Sessional Paper 137/2015

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-25, s63(2), the Health Information Act, cH-5, s95(2), and the Personal Information Protection Act, cP-6.5, s44(2) :

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Alberta, 2014-15 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 138/2015

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 3:07 p.m. until Thursday, November 19, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 19, 2015

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

Members' Statements

MLA Miranda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, made a statement recognizing November 20, 2015, as Transgender Day of Remembrance.

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, made a statement regarding the federal government's proposed carbon tax and the need for the Government to oppose this proposal.

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, made a statement recognizing the many contributions of not-for-profit agencies to Albertans.

Mr. Hinkley, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement recognizing November 20, 2015, as National Child Day and the Boys and Girls Club of Wetaskiwin for the services it provides to children.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding the upcoming Canadian Football League Western Final between the Calgary Stampeders and the Edmonton Eskimos on November 22, 2015, and a friendly wager between Mr. Nielsen and Hon. Mr. Ceci on the outcome of the game.

Ms Luff, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement recognizing November 15 to 21, 2015, as Bullying Awareness Week.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 7 Alberta Human Rights Amendment Act, 2015 — Hon. Ms Ganley

Tabling Returns and Reports

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Letter dated November 16, 2015, from Shauna McHarg to Hon. Ms Notley, Premier, regarding Covenant Health's decision to restrict the visiting privileges of Ms McHarg, with several attachments

Sessional Paper 139/2015

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills:

Document, undated, entitled "Have Your Say, A Survey for the Business Community of Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills," prepared by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills

Sessional Paper 140/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

13. Moved by Hon. Mr. Ceci:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Bilous moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

Moved by Mr. Connolly and seconded by Ms Kazim:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, LLD, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Notices of Motions.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bill:

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 4:31 p.m. until Monday, November 23, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, November 23, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont, made a statement regarding the Leduc No. 1 Energy Discovery Centre.

Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, made a statement regarding the Government's Climate Leadership Plan, announced on November 22, 2015.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, made a statement regarding the Government's Climate Leadership Plan, announced on November 22, 2015.

Ms Miller, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding the work of the Central Alberta AIDS Network Society in the constituency of Red Deer-South.

MLA Cortes-Vargas, Hon. Member for Strathcona-Sherwood Park, made a statement recognizing the 30th anniversary of the County Clothes-Line Foundation in Sherwood Park and the work it does to provide funding to non-profit groups in Strathcona County.

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, made a statement regarding the Government's Climate Leadership Plan, announced on November 22, 2015.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that, notwithstanding Government Motion 16, the Government House Leader may notify the Assembly that there shall be no evening sitting that day by providing notice under Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or at any time prior to 6 p.m.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, and Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, on November 16, 2015, Ministry of Health, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 141/2015

Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd, Minister of Energy:

Responses to questions raised by Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, and Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, on November 16, 2015, Ministry of Energy, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 142/2015

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Minister of Human Services:

Response to questions raised on November 19, 2015, Ministry of Human Services, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 143/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Larivee, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Government Organization Act, cG-10, sch10, s10(3):

Petroleum Tank Management Association of Alberta, Annual Report 2014

Sessional Paper 144/2015

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, and Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, on November 3, 2015, Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 145/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 202 Alberta Local Food Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas

MLA Cortes-Vargas, Hon. Member for Strathcona-Sherwood Park, moved that the Bill be amended as follows:

- A. Section 1 is amended
 - (a) in clause (e) by striking out subclauses (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi);
 - (b) in clause (f) by striking out “and Agriculture”.
- B. Section 2 is amended by striking out clause (b) and substituting the following:
 - (b) to improve and maximize economic return and food security by maintaining agricultural land for the purposes of farming;
 - (b.1) to support the development of local food infrastructure for processing and distributing food;
- C. The heading preceding section 3 is amended by striking out “and Agriculture”.
- D. Section 3 is amended
 - (a) in subsection (1) by striking out “and Agriculture”;
 - (b) in subsection (4) by striking out “renumeration” and substituting “remuneration”.

- E. The heading preceding section 4 is amended by striking out “and Agriculture”.
- F. Section 4 is amended
- (a) in subsection (1) by striking out “and Agriculture”;
 - (b) in subsection (2)
 - (i) in clause (b) by adding “recommendations for creating” before “long-term, mid-term and annualized targets”;
 - (ii) by striking out subsection (c) and substituting the following:
 - (c) a public website including all recommendations included as part of the strategy.
 - (c) in subsection (3)(b) by striking out “, and” at the end of subclause (ii), by adding “and” at the end of subclause (i) and by striking out subclause (iii);
 - (d) in subsection (4)
 - (i) in clause (a) by adding “, organizations or groups” after “agricultural associations”;
 - (ii) in clause (b) by adding “, organizations or groups” after “organic farming associations”;
 - (iii) by adding the following after clause (e):
 - (e.1) retail food associations;
- G. The heading preceding section 5 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Annual report

- H. Section 5 is amended
- (a) in subsection (1)
 - (i) by striking out “shall publish a report every 2 years” and substituting “shall publish a report annually”;
 - (ii) in clause (a) by striking out “targets and”;
 - (iii) in clause (b) by striking out “recommendations and targets during the preceding 2 years” and substituting “any recommendations for that year”;
 - (iv) in clause (c) by striking out “and targets in the next 2 years” and substituting “for the following year”.

- I. Section 7 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Local Food Awareness Week

7 To promote the purchase of local food in Alberta, the Advisory Committee shall designate a week that shall be recognized each year throughout Alberta as Local Food Awareness Week.

- J. Section 9 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Coming into force

9 This Act comes into force on Proclamation.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 43

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Nielsen
Babcock	Hinkley	Payne
Bilous	Horne	Phillips
Carson	Jansen	Piquette
Connolly	Kazim	Renaud
Coolahan	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Larivee	Sabir
Dach	Littlewood	Schmidt
Dang	Luff	Schreiner
Drever	Malkinson	Shepherd
Eggen	McIver	Sucha
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Westhead
Ganley	Miranda	Woollard
Goehring		

Against the amendment: 19

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Barnes	Loewen	Schneider
Cyr	MacIntyre	Starke
Drysdale	Nixon	Strankman
Ellis	Orr	Taylor
Gotfried	Panda	van Dijken
Hanson		

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 202 Alberta Local Food Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas

Mr. Feehan, Deputy Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 202 (A1) (Hon. Member for Strathcona-Sherwood Park)
— Agreed to on division

Sessional Paper 146/2015

Amendment to Bill 202 (A2) (Hon. Member for Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 147/2015

Second Reading

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

Bill 205 Persons with Developmental Disabilities Services (Public Consultation) Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Renaud

Debate adjourned.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

505. Moved by Ms Miller:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review how best to integrate harm reduction policies throughout Alberta's public health care and human services systems with the goal of amending and incorporating these policies in related legislation and regulations.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to adjourn the Assembly until Tuesday, November 24, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 5:47 p.m. until Tuesday, November 24, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, November 24, 2015

The Speaker took the Chair at 10:00 a.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to have Ministerial Statements called as the first item of business on Wednesday, November 25, 2015.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to adjourn the Assembly until Wednesday, November 25, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 10:05 a.m. until Wednesday, November 25, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, November 25, 2015

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that Ministerial Statements will not be called as the first item of business this morning in accordance with the unanimous consent granted on November 24, 2015, but will instead be called at its normal time during the Daily Routine.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:03 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2015 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member Mrs. Weslyn Melva Mather, Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, 2004 to 2008, who passed away on November 22, 2015.

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(1.1) in order to complete Ministerial Statements.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier, made a statement recognizing the life and distinguished career of Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, who was tragically killed on November 23, 2015.

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow the Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, the Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and the Member for Calgary-Elbow to comment on the Ministerial Statement, and that the three-minute response time be waived for Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, then commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Members' Statements

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(4) to allow the Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall to participate in today's Members' Statements.

Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills, made a statement paying tribute to Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, who passed away on November 23, 2015.

Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement recognizing November 28, 2015, as Holodomor Memorial Day.

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement paying tribute to Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, who passed away on November 23, 2015.

Ms McPherson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill, made a statement recognizing November 25, 2015, as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall (Minister of Human Services), made a statement paying tribute to Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, who passed away on November 23, 2015.

Mrs. Littlewood, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding the work of the Families First Society in Fort Saskatchewan.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, on behalf of Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, and MLA Cortes-Vargas, Hon. Member for Strathcona-Sherwood Park, on November 18, 2015, Ministry of Seniors, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate
Sessional Paper 148/2015

Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, on behalf of Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, and Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, on November 3, 2015, Ministry of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 149/2015

Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock, Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, and Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, on November 2, 2015, Ministry of Transportation, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate
Sessional Paper 150/2015

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, and Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, on November 4, 2015, Ministry of Infrastructure, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 151/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY**Committee of Supply** (Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

MLA Miranda, Chair, Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future has reviewed the 2015-2016 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Advanced Education, Agriculture and Forestry, Economic Development and Trade, Executive Council, Infrastructure, and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour.

MLA Miranda then presented proposed amendments to the 2015-2016 estimates for the Ministries of Agriculture and Forestry and Infrastructure.

Ms Sweet, Chair, Standing Committee on Families and Communities, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Families and Communities has reviewed the 2015-16 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Culture and Tourism, Education, Health, Human Services, Justice and Solicitor General, Seniors, Service Alberta, and Status of Women.

Ms Sweet then presented proposed amendments to the 2015-16 estimates for the Ministries of Education and Service Alberta.

Ms Goehring, Chair, Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship has reviewed the 2015-16 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Aboriginal Relations, Energy, Environment and Parks, Municipal Affairs, Transportation, and Treasury Board and Finance.

Ms Goehring then presented proposed amendments to the 2015-2016 estimates for the Ministries of Transportation and Treasury Board and Finance.

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.03(1)(a), the following amendments were voted on:

The question being put on Amendment A1, proposed by Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, that the 2015-16 Main Estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry be reduced for the Minister's Office under reference 1.1 at page 40 by \$50,000 so that the amount to be voted at page 39 for Expense is \$1,128,139,000, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 19

Aheer	Hanson	Smith
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Stier
Clark	Loewen	Strankman
Cooper	MacIntyre	Taylor
Cyr	Panda	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Schneider	Yao
Gotfried		

Against the amendment: 43

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Nielsen
Bilous	Hinkley	Payne
Carson	Horne	Phillips
Ceci	Kazim	Piquette
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Starke
Drever	Mason	Sucha
Eggen	McKitrick	Sweet
Feehan	McLean	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McPherson	Westhead
Ganley	Miranda	Woollard
Goehring		

The question being put on Amendment A2, proposed by Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, that the 2015-16 Main Estimates of the Ministry of Education be reduced for the Minister's Office under reference 1.1 at page 88 by \$141,000 so that the amount to be voted at page 87 for Expense is \$4,314,684,000, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 20

Aheer	Hanson	Starke
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Stier
Clark	Loewen	Strankman
Cooper	MacIntyre	Taylor
Cyr	Panda	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Schneider	Yao
Gotfried	Smith	

Against the amendment: 41

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Goehring	Miranda
Bilous	Gray	Nielsen
Carson	Hinkley	Payne
Ceci	Horne	Piquette
Connolly	Kazim	Renaud
Coolahan	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Schmidt
Dach	Loyola	Shepherd
Dang	Luff	Sucha
Drever	Malkinson	Sweet
Eggen	Mason	Turner
Feehan	McKitrick	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Woollard
Ganley	McPherson	

The question being put on Amendment A3, proposed by Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, that the 2015-16 Main Estimates of the Ministry of Infrastructure be reduced for the Minister's Office under reference 1.1 at page 162 by \$185,000 so that the amount to be voted at page 161 for Expense is \$546,446,000, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 19

Aheer	Hanson	Smith
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Starke
Clark	Loewen	Stier
Cooper	MacIntyre	Taylor
Cyr	Panda	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Schneider	Yao
Gotfried		

Against the amendment: 40

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carson	Horne	Payne
Ceci	Kazim	Piquette
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Ganley	McPherson	Woollard
Goehring		

The question being put on Amendment A4, proposed by Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Highwood, that the 2015-16 Main Estimates of the Ministry of Service Alberta be reduced for the Minister's Office under reference 1.1 at page 218 by \$164,000 so that the amount to be voted at page 217 for Expense is \$315,582,000, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 20

Aheer	Gotfried	Smith
Anderson (Highwood)	Hanson	Starke
Clark	Hunter	Stier
Cooper	Loewen	Taylor
Cyr	MacIntyre	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Panda	Yao
Fraser	Schneider	

Against the amendment: 40

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carson	Horne	Payne
Ceci	Kazim	Piquette
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Ganley	McPherson	Woollard
Goehring		

The question being put on Amendment A5, proposed by Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, that the 2015-16 Main Estimates of the Ministry of Transportation be reduced for the Minister's Office under reference 1.1 at page 234 by \$72,000 so that the amount to be voted at page 233 for Expense is \$850,463,000, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 22

Aheer	Hanson	Smith
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Starke
Clark	Loewen	Stier
Cooper	MacIntyre	Swann
Cyr	McIver	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Panda	van Dijken
Fraser	Schneider	Yao
Gotfried		

Against the amendment: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carson	Horne	Payne
Ceci	Kazim	Piquette
Connolly	Kleinstauber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Goehring	McPherson	Woollard

The question being put on Amendment A6, proposed by Mr. Stier, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, that the 2015-16 Main Estimates of the Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance be reduced for the Minister's Office under reference 1.1 at page 248 by \$386,000 so that the amount to be voted at page 247 for Expense is \$150,430,000, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 22

Aheer	Hanson	Smith
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Starke
Clark	Loewen	Stier
Cooper	MacIntyre	Swann
Cyr	McIver	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Panda	van Dijken
Fraser	Schneider	Yao
Gotfried		

Against the amendment: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carson	Horne	Payne
Ceci	Kazim	Piquette
Connolly	Kleinstauber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Goehring	McPherson	Woollard

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (A1) (Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 152/2015

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Education (A2) (Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 153/2015

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Infrastructure (A3) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 154/2015

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Service Alberta (A4) (Hon. Member for Highwood) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 155/2015

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Transportation (A5) (Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 156/2015

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance (A6) (Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 157/2015

The question being put on all matters relating to the Main Estimates for the General Revenue Fund and Lottery Fund for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carson	Horne	Payne
Ceci	Kazim	Piquette
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McKitrick	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Westhead
Goehring	McPherson	Woollard

Against the motion: 22

Aheer	Hunter	Smith
Anderson (Highwood)	Loewen	Starke
Cooper	MacIntyre	Stier
Cyr	McIver	Swann
Fildebrandt	Panda	Taylor
Fraser	Rodney	van Dijken
Gotfried	Schneider	Yao
Hanson		

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Malkinson reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the 2015-16 Offices of the Legislative Assembly, Government Estimates and Lottery Fund, 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, 2016, for the Departments and purposes indicated:

Support to the Legislative Assembly	\$68,199,000
Office of the Auditor General	\$26,754,000
Office of the Ombudsman	\$3,282,000
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	\$31,685,000
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	\$1,153,000
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	\$6,843,000
Office of the Child and Youth Advocate	\$13,242,000
Office of the Public Interest Commissioner	\$1,249,000
Aboriginal Relations	
Expense	\$204,588,000
Capital Investment	\$117,000
Financial Transactions	\$77,071,000

Advanced Education

Expense	\$2,567,294,000
Capital Investment	\$217,340,000
Financial Transactions	\$579,000,000

Agriculture and Forestry

Expense	\$1,128,189,000
Capital Investment	\$21,666,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,860,000

Culture and Tourism

Expense	\$301,645,000
Capital Investment	\$2,342,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,618,000

Economic Development and Trade

Expense	\$278,767,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000

Education

Expense	\$4,314,825,000
Capital Investment	\$1,240,116,000
Financial Transactions	\$12,987,000

Energy

Expense	\$371,399,000
Capital Investment	\$5,999,000
Financial Transactions	\$86,156,000

Environment and Parks

Expense	\$510,277,000
Capital Investment	\$117,394,000
Financial Transactions	\$100,000

Executive Council

Expense	\$25,013,000
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Health

Expense	\$18,602,000,000
Capital Investment	\$64,587,000
Financial Transactions	\$64,400,000

Human Services

Expense	\$4,297,145,000
Capital Investment	\$6,801,000
Financial Transactions	\$680,000

Infrastructure

Expense	\$546,631,000
Capital Investment	\$1,023,730,000
Financial Transactions	\$49,162,000

Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour

Expense	\$206,666,000
Capital Investment	\$1,200,000

Justice and Solicitor General

Expense	\$1,282,888,000
Capital Investment	\$70,109,000

Municipal Affairs

Expense	\$1,398,365,000
Capital Investment	\$4,630,000
Financial Transactions	\$452,026,000

Seniors

Expense	\$575,271,000
Financial Transactions	\$9,500,000

Service Alberta

Expense	\$315,746,000
Capital Investment	\$45,921,000
Financial Transactions	\$15,000,000

Status of Women

Expense	\$1,447,000
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Transportation

Expense	\$850,535,000
Capital Investment	\$1,616,411,000
Financial Transactions	\$78,124,000

Treasury Board and Finance

Expense	\$150,816,000
Capital Investment	\$2,725,000
Financial Transactions	\$10,702,000
Transfer from the Lottery Fund	\$1,547,716,000

Mr. Malkinson then tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of Supply on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

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

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 64(2) and 77(1) with regard to Bill 9, Appropriation Act, 2015, in order to allow the Bill to advance more than one stage in a day.

Government Bills and Orders**Second Reading**

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

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

During consideration of Bill 9, Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 40

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Nielsen
Bilous	Horne	Payne
Carson	Kazim	Piquette
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Connolly	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sigurdson
Drever	Mason	Sucha
Feehan	McKitrick	Sweet
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Turner
Ganley	McPherson	Westhead
Goehring	Miranda	Woollard
Gray		

Against the motion: 21

Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Smith
Cooper	Jansen	Starke
Cyr	Loewen	Stier
Drysdale	MacIntyre	Swann
Fildebrandt	McIver	Taylor
Gotfried	Panda	van Dijken
Hanson	Schneider	Yao

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

Bill 7 Alberta Human Rights Amendment Act, 2015 — Hon. Ms Ganley

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

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

Bill 5 Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act — Hon. Ms Ganley

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

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

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

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

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:50 p.m. until Thursday, November 26, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, November 26, 2015

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

The question was put on the clauses of the Bill, which was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 40

Carson	Horne	Payne
Connolly	Kazim	Phillips
Coolahan	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Dach	Loyola	Sabir
Dang	Luff	Schmidt
Drever	Malkinson	Schreiner
Eggen	Mason	Shepherd
Feehan	McLean	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Sweet
Ganley	Miranda	Turner
Goehring	Nielsen	Westhead
Gray	Notley	Woollard
Hinkley		

Against the motion: 28

Aheer	Hunter	Rodney
Anderson (Highwood)	Jansen	Schneider
Clark	Jean	Smith
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	Stier
Drysdale	McIver	Strankman
Ellis	Nixon	Swann
Fildebrandt	Orr	Taylor
Gotfried	Pitt	Yao
Hanson		

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 64(2) with regard to Bill 9, Appropriation Act, 2015, in order to allow the Bill to immediately proceed to Third Reading.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for any further divisions on Bill 9, Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$).

Third Reading

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

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Mason on behalf of Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to continue the morning sitting beyond noon in order to complete Third Reading consideration of Bill 9, Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$).

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 41

Carson	Hinkley	Payne
Ceci	Horne	Phillips
Connolly	Kazim	Renaud
Coolahan	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Sabir
Dach	Loyola	Schmidt
Dang	Luff	Schreiner
Drever	Malkinson	Shepherd
Eggen	Mason	Sucha
Feehan	McLean	Sweet
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Turner
Ganley	Miranda	Westhead
Goehring	Nielsen	Woollard
Gray	Notley	

Against the motion: 27

Aheer	Hanson	Pitt
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Rodney
Clark	Jansen	Schneider
Cooper	Jean	Smith
Cyr	Loewen	Starke
Drysdale	MacIntyre	Strankman
Ellis	McIver	Swann
Fildebrandt	Nixon	Taylor
Gotfried	Orr	van Dijken

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 9 Appropriation Act, 2015 (\$) —Hon. Mr. Ceci

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 12:09 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2015 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

Ms Jabbour, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding the diversity, resilience, and diligence of the Peace River constituency.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding the effects of Government policies on Cypress-Medicine Hat constituents and businesses.

Mr. Kleinsteuber, Hon. Member for Calgary-Northern Hills, made a statement regarding the work of the Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation and Alberta Parks on their initiative to create a trail network between Calgary and Cochrane.

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement regarding the positive impact that charitable donations have on programs and services and regarding Alberta's charitable tax credit.

Ms Gray, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the work of the Alberta Society of the Friends of Medicare.

Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, made a statement regarding the work and successes of the Simon House Recovery Centre in Calgary.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be accepted or otherwise dealt with, pursuant to Standing Order 34(3):

Written Questions

To be dealt with: WQ1, WQ2, WQ3, WQ4, WQ5, WQ6

Motions for Returns

To be dealt with: MR1, MR2

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 8 Public Education Collective Bargaining Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

Bill 206 Recall Act — Mrs. Aheer

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Minister of Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Battle River-Wainwright, and Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, on November 19, 2015, Ministry of Advanced Education, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry:

Responses to questions raised by Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, and Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, on November 2, 2015, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 159/2015

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon:

Document, undated, entitled "Meeting with Energy Critic Leela Aheer" relating to comments made by Mr. Smith during consideration of Bill 9, Appropriation Act, 2015, on November 26, 2015

Sessional Paper 160/2015

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

CBC news website article dated August 10, 2015, entitled "Naloxone, fentanyl antidote, available in take-home kit that's saved hundreds of lives"

Sessional Paper 161/2015

Document, undated, entitled "A Tribute to Weslyn Mather, 1945 – 2015," written by Neil Evans

Sessional Paper 162/2015

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism:

Responses to questions raised on November 3, 2015, Ministry of Culture and Tourism, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 163/2015

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Battle River-Wainwright:

Page 30 of an Alberta Health Services document entitled "AHS 2011-2014 Facility Infrastructure Capital Submission, Applicant's Copy" relating to the Wetaskiwin Health Centre Replacement, with attached Alberta Hansard excerpts

Sessional Paper 164/2015

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s46 (2):

Office of the Ethics Commissioner of Alberta, Annual Report for the period of April 1, 2014, to March 31, 2015

Sessional Paper 165/2015

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie:

Media release dated November 26, 2015, entitled "Sale of YWCA downtown city block announced," prepared by Great Gulf and YWCA Calgary

Sessional Paper 166/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, pursuant to the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, cE-12, s34(2):

Environmental Protection Security Fund, Annual Report, April 1, 2014 -
March 31, 2015

Sessional Paper 167/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY**Government Bills and Orders****Second Reading**

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

Bill 5 Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act — Hon. Ms Ganley

A debate followed.

During Second Reading consideration of Bill 5, Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act, Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Notices of Motions.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, gave revised oral notice of Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be accepted or otherwise dealt with, pursuant to Standing Order 34(3):

Written Questions

To be accepted: WQ1, WQ6

To be dealt with: WQ2, WQ3, WQ4, WQ5

Motions for Returns

To be accepted: MR2

To be dealt with: MR1

Debate resumed on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 5, Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 47

Aheer	Hanson	Rosendahl
Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Sabir
Babcock	Hunter	Schmidt
Carson	Littlewood	Schreiner
Connolly	Loyola	Shepherd
Coolahan	MacIntyre	Sigurdson
Cortes-Vargas	Mason	Smith
Cyr	McKitrick	Stier
Dach	McPherson	Strankman
Dang	Miller	Sucha
Drever	Miranda	Sweet
Eggen	Nielsen	Turner
Feehan	Payne	Westhead
Goehring	Piquette	Woollard
Gotfried	Pitt	Yao
Gray	Renaud	

Against the motion: 0

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

Bill 5 Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act — Hon. Ms Ganley

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 4:33 p.m. until Monday, November 30, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, November 30, 2015

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

Members' Statements

MLA Cortes-Vargas, Hon. Member for Strathcona-Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding NutraPonics Canada Corporation, an innovative and sustainable business operating in the constituency of Strathcona-Sherwood Park.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, made a statement regarding Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, and the need for consultation with family farms prior to passage of the Bill.

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, made a statement regarding the Progressive Conservative caucus wanting the Government to delay passage of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Ms Miller, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement recognizing December 1, 2015, as World AIDS Day and the start of Aboriginal AIDS Awareness Week.

Mr. Coolahan, Hon. Member for Calgary-Klein, made a statement regarding the 29th anniversary of the Lions' Club Festival of Lights in the constituency of Calgary-Klein and recognizing the many volunteers and sponsors who help to create it.

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding family farmers and ranchers wanting the Government to delay passage of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Ms McPherson, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Private Bills has had certain Bills under consideration and reports as follows:

The Committee recommends that the following Private Bills proceed:

Bill Pr2 Bethesda Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nielsen

Bill Pr3 Rosary Hall, Edmonton Repeal Act — Mr. Shepherd

Bill Pr4 Canadian University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Orr

Bill Pr6 Covenant Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Fildebrandt

Bill Pr7 Living Faith Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nixon

The Committee recommends that the following Private Bills proceed with amendments:

Bill Pr1 The King's University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Schmidt

Bill Pr5 Concordia University College of Alberta Amendment Act, 2015 —
Ms McLean

Ms McPherson, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, tabled copies of all amendments considered by the Standing Committee on Private Bills on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Recommended amendments to Bill Pr1, The King's University College Amendment Act, 2015

Recommended amendments to Bill Pr5, Concordia University College of Alberta
Amendment Act, 2015

Sessional Paper 169/2015

Concurrence of the Assembly was requested with respect to the report.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow:

4 recent letters from Calgary Housing Company, Calgary Counselling Centre, Centre to End All Sexual Exploitation, and The Elizabeth Fry Society of Calgary to Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, expressing support for Bill 204, Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2015

Sessional Paper 170/2015

Letter dated November 13, 2015, from Elsbeth Mehrer, Director, External Relations, YWCA Calgary, to Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, regarding Bill 204, Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2015, and regarding the need for an adequate supply of safe, appropriate, and affordable housing for women experiencing violence

Sessional Paper 171/2015

Letter dated November 23, 2015, from Leslie Hill, Executive Director, HIV Community Link, to Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, regarding Bill 204, Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2015, regarding intimate partner violence, and HIV-related policy issues

Sessional Paper 172/2015

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake:

Copy of a petition signed by several hundred Albertans urging the Legislative Assembly to immediately withdraw its proposed Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, from the legislative agenda and Order Paper, and cease all further readings and debate of its content

Sessional Paper 173/2015

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Child and Youth Advocate Act, cC-11.5, s21(2):

Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Alberta, Annual Report 2014-2015
Sessional Paper 174/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College of Occupational Therapists, 2014-2015 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 175/2015

College and Association of Respiratory Therapists of Alberta, Annual Report 2015
Sessional Paper 176/2015

College of Dietitians of Alberta, 2014 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 177/2015

College of Physical Therapists of Alberta, Annual Report 2014
Sessional Paper 178/2015

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that there would not be an evening sitting today.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

WQ1. Asked for by Mr. Barnes:

As of April 1, 2015, how many Alberta Health Services employees earned more than \$200,000 per year in salary and total benefits?

WQ6. Asked for by Mr. Smith:

How much has the Government spent on the Student Learning Assessment pilot projects for the fiscal years 2010-11 to 2014-15, and from April 1, 2015, to November 30, 2015, and what are the details of what the money was spent on?

The following Written Questions were accepted as amended:

WQ2. Moved by Mr. Barnes:

For the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15, how many surgeries and procedures were postponed in each Alberta Health Services facility?

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, moved that the motion be amended to read:

For the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15, how many surgeries were postponed in each Alberta Health Services *high volume surgery site due to system capacity issues*?

WQ3. Moved by Mr. Barnes:

What was the total cost of overtime payments to all part-time employees of Alberta Health Services for the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15?

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, moved that the motion be amended to read:

What was the total cost of overtime payments to all part-time employees of Alberta Health Services for the fiscal years *2013-14 and 2014-15*?

WQ4. Moved by Mr. Cyr:

How many tickets were issued for distracted driving violations pursuant to sections 115.1 to 115.4 of the Traffic Safety Act, broken down for the period from September 1, 2011, to December 1, 2011, the calendar years 2012, 2013, 2014, and from January 1, 2015, to August 31, 2015?

Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, moved that the motion be amended to read:

How many *convictions resulted from tickets that were* issued for distracted driving violations pursuant to sections 115.1 to 115.4 of the Traffic Safety Act, broken down for the period from September 1, 2011, to December 1, 2011, the calendar years 2012, 2013, 2014, and from January 1, 2015, to August 31, 2015?

WQ5. Moved by Mr. Cooper:

For the fiscal years 2009-10 to 2014-15, what was the total amount, and the amount at each level, paid to employees at the management and executive levels in the Alberta Health Services Central Zone?

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, moved that the motion be amended to read:

For the fiscal years 2009-10 to 2014-15, what was the total amount, and the amount at each level, paid to employees at the *executive level* in the Alberta Health Services Central Zone *and what was the total amount paid to management in the Alberta Health Services Central Zone commencing the fiscal year that Zone reporting and the single, province-wide payroll system (E-People) took effect up to and including the fiscal year 2014-2015?*

Motions for Returns

The following Motion for a Return was accepted:

MR2. Proposed by Mr. Barnes:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A list of all severance payments made to Alberta Health Services employees at the management and executive levels, broken down by each individual position, for each of the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15.

The following Motion for a Return was rejected:

MR1. Moved by Mr. van Dijken:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
For the period from April 1, 2007, to March 31, 2015, a list of all the projects identified in each of the published Alberta Transportation three-year Tentative Major Construction Projects lists that have not yet been contracted.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 204 Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Drever

Mr. Feehan, Deputy Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 204 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 179/2015

Amendment to Bill 204 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Acadia on behalf of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Minister of Service Alberta) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 180/2015

Amendment to Bill 204 (A3) (Hon. Member for Airdrie) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 181/2015

Motions Other Than Government Motions

506. Moved by Mr. Feehan:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend the necessary regulations and policies to encourage micro-generators to contribute more renewable electricity to the grid, such as locally generated wind and solar.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:57 p.m. until Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, December 1, 2015

The Speaker took the Chair at 10:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 7 Alberta Human Rights Amendment Act, 2015 — Hon. Ms Ganley

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 66

Aheer	Ganley	Nielsen
Anderson (Highwood)	Goehring	Nixon
Babcock	Gray	Orr
Bilous	Hanson	Payne
Carson	Hinkley	Phillips
Ceci	Hoffman	Piquette
Clark	Horne	Pitt
Connolly	Jansen	Renaud
Coolahan	Jean	Rodney
Cooper	Kazim	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Kleinstauber	Sabir
Cyr	Loewen	Schmidt
Dach	Loyola	Shepherd
Dang	Luff	Smith
Drever	MacIntyre	Starke
Drysdale	Malkinson	Strankman
Eggen	McIver	Sucha
Ellis	McKitrick	Swann
Feehan	McLean	Sweet
Fildebrandt	McPherson	van Dijken
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Westhead
Fraser	Miranda	Yao

Against the motion: 0

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

Bill 7 Alberta Human Rights Amendment Act, 2015 — Hon. Ms Ganley

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 12:02 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2015 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Speaker's Statement – Magna Carta Exhibit

The Speaker made a statement regarding the recent opening of the exhibit Magna Carta: Law, Liberty & Legacy in the Edmonton Federal Building and regarding a Magna Carta educational package sent to all Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Members' Statements

Ms McLean, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement recognizing December 1, 2015, as World AIDS Day, and regarding the stigma that infected and affected persons struggle with, including her family because her mother is living with HIV.

Mr. Stier, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding the Government's broken promises since it was elected six months ago.

Mr. Drysdale, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, made a statement regarding the lessons he learned growing up on a family farm and being involved in 4-H, and advocating for family farms in Alberta.

Mr. Kleinsteuber, Hon. Member for Calgary-Northern Hills, made a statement regarding the environmental, social, and economic successes of the beverage container return and recycle system in Alberta.

Mr. Hinkley, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the Government's Climate Leadership Plan and read four quotes from oil and gas industry representatives who are in favour of the plan.

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding the success of the central Alberta economic region, including the agricultural industry, and the value of family farms and ranches.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Miller, Chair, Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, cA-23, s15(2):

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Second Quarter 2015-2016
Sessional Paper 182/2015

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake:

10 pieces of correspondence from Albertans expressing concerns about the implications of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act
Sessional Paper 183/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College of Combined Laboratory and X-Ray Technologists, 2014 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 184/2015

College of Dental Technologists of Alberta, 2014 Annual Report	Sessional Paper 185/2015
College of Alberta Denturists, Annual Report 2014	Sessional Paper 186/2015
College of Alberta Psychologists, Annual Report 2014-15	Sessional Paper 187/2015
College of Naturopathic Doctors of Alberta, Annual Report 2014	Sessional Paper 188/2015
College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Alberta, Annual Report 2015	Sessional Paper 189/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

14. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2015 Fall Sitting be extended beyond the first Thursday in December until such time as, or when, the Government House Leader advises the Assembly that the business for the sitting is concluded and at such time the Assembly stands adjourned.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 8 Public Education Collective Bargaining Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

A debate followed.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 8, Public Education Collective Bargaining Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 20

Aheer	Hanson	Schneider
Clark	Hunter	Smith
Cooper	MacIntyre	Starke
Cyr	McIver	Stier
Drysdale	Orr	van Dijken
Ellis	Pitt	Yao
Fraser	Rodney	

Against the amendment: 42

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Ganley	McKitrick
Babcock	Goehring	McLean
Bilous	Hinkley	McPherson
Carson	Hoffman	Miller
Ceci	Horne	Nielsen
Connolly	Jabbour	Phillips
Coolahan	Jansen	Renaud
Cortes-Vargas	Kazim	Rosendahl
Dach	Kleinstauber	Sabir
Dang	Littlewood	Schmidt
Drever	Loyola	Sucha
Eggen	Malkinson	Sweet
Feehan	Mason	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Woollard

During consideration of Bill 8, Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

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

Bill 8 Public Education Collective Bargaining Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:55 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 1, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders**Second Reading**

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
Ms Sigurdson

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Ms Phillips, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:04 p.m. until Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders**Committee of the Whole**

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal
Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, moved that the Bill be amended in Schedule 1 in section 2 by adding the following after subsection (2):

(2.1) The Contingency Account may only be used for the purpose outlined in subsection (2) if it has not already been used for that purpose in each of the two immediately preceding years.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 11

Barnes	Hanson	Panda
Cooper	Hunter	Pitt
Cyr	Loewen	Smith
Fildebrandt	Orr	

Against the amendment: 48

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gotfried	Miranda
Babcock	Gray	Nielsen
Bilous	Hinkley	Payne
Carson	Hoffman	Piquette
Clark	Horne	Renaud
Connolly	Jansen	Rodney
Coolahan	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Sabir
Dach	Loyola	Schreiner
Dang	Luff	Shepherd
Drever	Malkinson	Starke
Drysdale	McIver	Sucha
Eggen	McKitrick	Sweet
Ellis	McLean	Turner
Feehan	McPherson	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Woollard

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, moved that the Bill be amended in Schedule 1 in section 3(1) by striking out “15%” and substituting “7%”.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 17

Barnes	Gottfried	Panda
Cooper	Hanson	Pitt
Cyr	Hunter	Rodney
Drysdale	Loewen	Schneider
Ellis	McIver	Starke
Fildebrandt	Orr	

Against the amendment: 41

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Nielsen
Babcock	Hinkley	Payne
Bilous	Hoffman	Piquette
Carson	Horne	Renaud
Clark	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Connolly	Littlewood	Sabir
Coolahan	Loyola	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Shepherd
Dach	Malkinson	Sucha
Dang	McKitrick	Sweet
Drever	McLean	Turner
Eggen	McPherson	Westhead
Feehan	Miller	Woollard
Fitzpatrick	Miranda	

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, moved that the Bill be amended in Schedule 1 as follows:

- A. Section 1(1) is amended by renumbering clause (a) as clause (a.2) and by adding the following before clause (a.2):
- (a) “actual operational expense” means, with respect to a fiscal year, the actual operational expense of the Government and prescribed Provincial agencies as reported in the fiscal plan analysis for that year, but does not include changes in liabilities respecting pensions;
 - (a.1) “actual operational revenue” means, with respect to a fiscal year, actual revenue of the Government and prescribed Provincial agencies, less
 - (i) revenue received for capital purposes,
 - (ii) commencing with the 2015-16 fiscal year, the prescribed savings,
 - (iii) commencing with the 2015-16 fiscal year, the amounts retained in the Heritage Fund under the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act
 - (iv) other planned savings referred to in the fiscal plan, and
 - (v) revenue allocated for debt-servicing costs of the Government in respect of capital borrowing, as reported in the fiscal plan analysis for that year;

as reported in the fiscal plan analysis for that year;

B. The following is added after section 1:

No operational deficit

- 1.1 At the end of a fiscal year, actual operational expense must not exceed actual operational revenue plus any amount allocated from the Contingency Account under section 2(2).

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 17

Barnes	Fildebrandt	Orr
Clark	Gotfried	Panda
Cooper	Hanson	Rodney
Cyr	Hunter	Schneider
Drysdale	Loewen	Starke
Ellis	McIver	

Against the amendment: 42

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Nielsen
Babcock	Hoffman	Payne
Bilous	Horne	Piquette
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Connolly	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Loyola	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Schmidt
Dach	Malkinson	Schreiner
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Shepherd
Drever	McKitrick	Sucha
Eggen	McLean	Sweet
Feehan	McPherson	Turner
Fitzpatrick	Miller	Westhead
Gray	Miranda	Woollard

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

MLA Miranda, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 4 (A1) (Minister of Economic Development and Trade on behalf of the President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 190/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A2) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 191/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A3) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 192/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A4) (Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 193/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A5) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 194/2015

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:57 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2015 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

Mr. Stier, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement as a tribute to farmers.

Ms Payne, Hon. Member for Calgary-Acadia, made a statement recognizing the 26th anniversary of the December 6, 1989, murder of 14 women at l'École Polytechnique in Montréal, recognizing December 6, 2015, as the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women, and regarding the need to end gender-based violence and gender inequality.

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding the economic success of Hong Kong, comparing it to Alberta, and advocating for the Alberta Advantage.

Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding newly re-named Autism Edmonton, previously known as Autism Society of Edmonton Area, which provides services and supports to families and individuals living with autism spectrum disorder.

Ms Jabbour, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians and the importance of ensuring women are represented more fairly in government and in public office.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding Bo Cooper, a 26-year-old constituent who is suffering from acute lymphoblastic leukemia, and asking Alberta Health Services to pay for specialized treatment available only in the United States.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism:

Document, undated, entitled “Agenda, Teacher Bargaining Model, School Board Consultations – September to October 2015,” relating to comments made by Hon. Mr. Eggen during consideration of Bill 8, Public Education Collective Bargaining Act, on December 1, 2015

Sessional Paper 195/2015

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Email message dated December 1, 2015, from Isabelle Fournier to all Members of the Legislative Assembly containing comments about the New Democrat Party and Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, relating to comments made by Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, during consideration of Bill 6 on December 1, 2015

Sessional Paper 196/2015

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane:

Canadian Press website article dated January 23, 2014, entitled “Kevan Chandler Killed in Grain Elevator: Alberta Family Gets Compensation Six Years Later”

Sessional Paper 197/2015

CBC news website article dated September 24, 2012, entitled “Alberta farm worker fights to change labour laws”

Sessional Paper 198/2015

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Page Biographies, Legislative Assembly of Alberta, 29th Legislature, First Session, Fall 2015

Sessional Paper 199/2015

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo:

GoFundMe webpage entitled “Bo Cooper Leukemia Treatment Fund”
Sessional Paper 200/2015

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster:

Report, undated, entitled “Cultivating Safe, Fair & Healthy Workplaces for Alberta’s Farms & Ranches, Overview of Proposed Changes,” prepared by the Alberta Government
Sessional Paper 201/2015

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition:

Letter, undated, from Coral Robinson to Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concerns about Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, relating to comments made by Mr. McIver during consideration of Bill 6 on December 1, 2015
Sessional Paper 202/2015

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie:

Letter, undated, from Michelle Bates of Airdrie to Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors, expressing concern about the lack of 24-hour health care services in Airdrie
Sessional Paper 203/2015

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Copy of a petition signed by over 400 Albertans urging the Legislative Assembly to investigate, make public, and work with patients’ rights organizations regarding physician-assisted dying
Sessional Paper 204/2015

Edmonton Journal website article dated November 30, 2015, entitled “Edmonton affordable housing projects left to die on the Order Paper”
Sessional Paper 205/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 5 Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act — Hon. Ms Ganley

A debate followed.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, moved that the Bill be amended in section 7 by striking out subsection (2) and substituting the following:

(2) The Minister shall aggregate and republish all of the information disclosed in accordance with this Act and such information shall be made available to the public including on the public website of the Minister's department.

A debate followed on the amendment.

During consideration of Amendment A5 to Bill 5, Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 20

Aheer	Fraser	Rodney
Anderson (Highwood)	Gotfried	Smith
Clark	Hanson	Starke
Cooper	Jansen	Swann
Cyr	MacIntyre	van Dijken
Drysdale	McIver	Yao
Fildebrandt	Orr	

Against the amendment: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Nielsen
Ceci	Kazim	Payne
Connolly	Larivee	Piquette
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Renaud
Dach	Loyola	Rosendahl
Drever	Luff	Sabir
Feehan	Malkinson	Schmidt
Fitzpatrick	Mason	Schreiner
Ganley	McKitrick	Shepherd
Goehring	McLean	Sweet
Gray	McPherson	Turner
Hinkley	Miller	Westhead
Hoffman	Miranda	Woollard

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, on December 2, 2015, that Bill 4 be amended in Schedule 1 in section 3 by adding the following after subsection (2):

(3) A Bill that proposes to increase the ratio of debt to GDP referred to in subsection (1) may not be introduced in the Legislative Assembly unless the increase in the ratio is approved by a majority of the electors who vote in a referendum under this section.

(4) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may order a referendum under this section and sections 4 to 11 of the Constitutional Referendum Act are deemed to apply.

(5) An order under subsection (4) is deemed to be an order under section 5 of the Constitutional Referendum Act.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 11

Aheer	Fildebrandt	Rodney
Clark	Fraser	van Dijken
Cooper	Gotfried	Yao
Cyr	MacIntyre	

Against the amendment: 41

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Nielsen
Babcock	Kazim	Payne
Ceci	Larivee	Piquette
Connolly	Littlewood	Renaud
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Rosendahl
Dach	Luff	Sabir
Drever	Malkinson	Schmidt
Eggen	Mason	Schreiner
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	Shepherd
Fitzpatrick	McKitrick	Sweet
Goehring	McLean	Turner
Gray	McPherson	Westhead
Hinkley	Miller	Woollard
Hoffman	Miranda	

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 5 Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act — Hon. Ms Ganley

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Mr. Nielsen, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 5 (A1) (Hon. Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 206/2015

Amendment to Bill 5 (A2) (Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 207/2015

Amendment to Bill 5 (A3) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 208/2015

Subamendment to Bill 5 (A4-SA1) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 209/2015

Amendment to Bill 5 (A4) (Hon. Member for Calgary-North West) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 210/2015

Amendment to Bill 5 (A5) (Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 211/2015

Amendment to Bill 5 (A6) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 212/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A5) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks on December 2, 2015) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 194/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A6) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 213/2015

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

Pursuant to Government Motion 17, at 5:45 p.m. the Deputy Speaker immediately put the question on the following motion:

Moved by Mr. Connolly and seconded by Ms Kazim:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, LLD, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Motions

18. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are members of Executive Council.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Ms Woollard, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 4 (A6) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) —
Adjourned

Sessional Paper 213/2015

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:56 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
Ms Sigurdson

A debate followed.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

A debate followed on the amendment.

Hon. Mr. Bilous moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 1:03 a.m. Thursday, December 3, 2015, until 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, December 3, 2015

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, on December 2, 2015, that the Bill be amended in Schedule 1 in section 3

- (a) in subsection (2) by striking out “subsection (1)” and substituting “subsections (1) and (3)”;
- (b) by adding the following after subsection (2):
 - (3) If in any fiscal year Crown debt exceeds 15% of GDP for Alberta, notwithstanding section 43(1)(a) of the Legislative Assembly Act, no member of the Executive Council shall receive any salary prescribed under that section until Crown debt is reduced to 15% of GDP for Alberta or less.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 11

Ellis	McIver	Smith
Fildebrandt	Nixon	Stier
Hanson	Orr	Taylor
MacIntyre	Schneider	

Against the amendment: 42

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Nielsen
Ceci	Hoffman	Payne
Connolly	Horne	Piquette
Coolahan	Jansen	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Kazim	Sabir
Dach	Kleinsteuber	Schmidt
Dang	Larivee	Schreiner
Drever	Loyola	Shepherd
Drysdale	Luff	Sucha
Eggen	Malkinson	Sweet
Feehan	McLean	Turner
Fraser	McPherson	Westhead
Goehring	Miller	Woollard

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Mr. Westhead, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 4 (A6) (introduced the Hon. Member for Strathmore Brooks on December 2, 2015) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 213/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A7) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 214/2015

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:57 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2015 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE**Members' Statements**

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement recognizing December 10, 2015, as Human Rights Day, which commemorates the 67th anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations.

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, made a statement recognizing December 10, 2015, as Human Rights Day, which commemorates the 67th anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement recognizing December 10, 2015, as Human Rights Day, which commemorates the 67th anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, made a statement regarding the responsibility of legislators to advance and protect human rights in Alberta.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, made a statement recognizing December 10, 2015, as Human Rights Day, which commemorates the 67th anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations.

Mr. Rosendahl, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding family farms and expressing support for Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Fildebrandt, Chair, Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Report on 2014 Activities,
Twenty-ninth Legislature, First Session, November 2015

Sessional Paper 215/2015

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, presented a petition from 50 Albertans urging the Government to immediately withdraw its proposed Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, from the legislative agenda, request its withdrawal from the Order Paper, and petition the Government to cease all further readings and debate of its content.

Tabling Returns and Reports

MLA Cortes-Vargas, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, cE-2, s4(2):

Chief Electoral Officer, 2014 Annual Report on the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act for the 2014 Calendar Year

Sessional Paper 216/2015

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors:

Pursuant to the Alberta Health Act, cA-19.5, s6(2), Alberta Health Advocate, Annual Report 2014-2015

Sessional Paper 217/2015

Pursuant to the Mental Health Act, cM-13, s47(2), Alberta Mental Health Patient Advocate, 2014-2015 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 218/2015

Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations:

Document dated December 3, 2015, entitled "Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act, Summary of public access to compensation disclosure," prepared by Alberta Justice and Solicitor General

Sessional Paper 219/2015

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, and Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, on November 18, 2015, Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 220/2015

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane:

Report to the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, Public Fatality Inquiry, dated December 29, 2008, regarding the accidental death of Kevan Chandler on June 18, 2006, relating to comments made by Mr. Westhead during consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, on December 2, 2015

Sessional Paper 221/2015

Mountain View Gazette news article, undated, entitled “Alberta’s farm workers seeking legislative equality,” relating to comments made by Mr. Westhead during consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, on December 2, 2015

Sessional Paper 222/2015

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View:

Letter, undated, from Isabelle to Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, regarding an apology from Peter, relating to comments made by Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, during consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, on December 2, 2015

Sessional Paper 223/2015

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow:

7 pieces of correspondence from Albertans to Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concerns regarding the implications of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, relating to comments made by Mr. Schneider during consideration of Bill 6 on December 2, 2015

Sessional Paper 224/2015

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat:

4 pieces of correspondence from Albertans to Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concerns regarding the implications of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, relating to comments made by Mr. Barnes during consideration of Bill 6 on December 2, 2015

Sessional Paper 225/2015

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 114:

Legislative Assembly Office, 2014 Annual Report, and 2014 Annual Report of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Alberta Branch and Interparliamentary Relations

Sessional Paper 226/2015

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka:

8 pieces of correspondence from Albertans to Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concerns regarding the implications of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 227/2015

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Battle River-Wainwright:

34 pieces of correspondence expressing concerns regarding the implications of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 228/2015

Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake:

Letter dated December 2, 2015, from Colleen Butler, Chair, Board of Education, Chinook's Edge School Division, to Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism, expressing concerns regarding Bill 8, Public Education Collective Bargaining Act

Sessional Paper 229/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, on December 3, 2015, that the Bill be amended in Schedule 1 in section 4 by adding the following after subsection (3):

(3.1) The consolidated fiscal plan must clearly state a projected consolidated cash balance for each fiscal year included in the plan.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 13

Aheer	Hanson	Orr
Barnes	MacIntyre	Rodney
Cooper	McIver	Schneider
Fildebrandt	Nixon	Starke
Gotfried		

Against the amendment: 36

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Goehring	Miller
Babcock	Gray	Nielsen
Bilous	Hinkley	Piquette
Carson	Hoffman	Renaud
Connolly	Horne	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Kazim	Sabir
Dach	Kleinsteuber	Schmidt
Dang	Littlewood	Schreiner
Drever	Loyola	Shepherd
Eggen	Luff	Sucha
Feehan	Mason	Sweet
Ganley	McKittrick	Woollard

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Mr. Nielsen, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 4 (A7) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks on December 3, 2015) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 214/2015

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 5 Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act — Hon. Ms Ganley

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:03 p.m. until Monday, December 7, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, December 7, 2015

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

Members' Statements

Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the support and services provided by CNIB to Albertans living with blindness or partial sight.

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock, made a statement regarding the Premier's intentions concerning Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, made a statement regarding violence and verbal attacks against female politicians and the responsibility of legislators to set an example in their use of language.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding the services provided by Alberta Hospital Edmonton.

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding CBC Radio Edmonton's 20th Turkey Drive in support of Edmonton's Food Bank and Holyrood Elementary School's fundraising in support of the turkey drive.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, made a statement regarding the Government's lack of consultation on legislation and policy and several town hall meetings attended by Wildrose Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, and Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, on November 4, 2015, Ministry of Aboriginal Relations, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 230/2015

Mr. Piquette, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater:

Proposed Government Amendment to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 231/2015

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Email message dated May 11, 2015, from Sharon McKinnon, Crop Sector Working Group, to several addressees regarding options presented to the Farm Safety Working Group concerning occupational health and safety legislation
Sessional Paper 232/2015

ABlawg.ca article dated November 19, 2015, entitled “Protection for the Rights of Farm Workers Finally Proposed in Alberta”

Sessional Paper 233/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 204 Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence)
Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Drever

Mr. Cooper, Official Opposition House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to withdraw the amendment introduced by Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie, on November 30, 2015, that the Bill be amended in section 4 in the proposed section 47.4 by adding the following after subsection (3):

(3.1) A statement made under subsection (2)(a)(ii) must be in the form of or accompanied by a statutory declaration attesting to the veracity of the statement.

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 204 Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence)
Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Drever

Mr. Feehan, Deputy Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 204 (A3) (Hon. Member for Airdrie) — Withdrawn
Sessional Paper 181/2015

Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 9(1) in order to allow for Third Reading consideration of Bill 204, Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2015.

Third Reading

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

Bill 204 Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence)
Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Drever

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 62

Aheer	Hinkley	Orr
Babcock	Hoffman	Panda
Barnes	Horne	Payne
Carson	Hunter	Piquette
Ceci	Jabbour	Pitt
Clark	Kazim	Renaud
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Rodney
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cooper	Loewen	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Cyr	Luff	Schreiner
Dach	Malkinson	Shepherd
Drever	Mason	Stier
Drysdale	McCuaig-Boyd	Strankman
Eggen	McKitrick	Sucha
Feehan	McLean	Swann
Fitzpatrick	McPherson	Sweet
Ganley	Miller	Turner
Gotfried	Miranda	Westhead
Gray	Nielsen	Woollard
Hanson	Notley	

Against the motion: 0

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

Bill 202 Alberta Local Food Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Cooper speaking.

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 204 Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence)
Amendment Act, 2015 — Ms Drever

Motions Other Than Government Motions

507. Moved by Mr. Shepherd:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider amendments to the Gaming and Liquor Regulation, Alta. Reg. 143/96, that would extend the hours associated with the provision of liquor for venues that offer live music and to consider supporting further initiatives that will allow the live music industry in Alberta to prosper and grow.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders / Private Bills

Second Reading

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

Bill Pr1 The King's University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Schmidt

Bill Pr2 Bethesda Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nielsen

Bill Pr3 Rosary Hall, Edmonton Repeal Act — Mr. Shepherd

Bill Pr4 Canadian University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Orr

Bill Pr5 Concordia University College of Alberta Amendment Act, 2015 —
Ms McLean

Bill Pr6 Covenant Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Fildebrandt

Bill Pr7 Living Faith Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nixon

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 7 Alberta Human Rights Amendment Act, 2015 — Hon. Ms Ganley

Bill Pr2 Bethesda Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nielsen

Bill Pr3 Rosary Hall, Edmonton Repeal Act — Mr. Shepherd

Bill Pr4 Canadian University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Orr

Bill Pr6 Covenant Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Fildebrandt

Bill Pr7 Living Faith Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nixon

The following Bills were reported with some amendments:

Bill Pr1 The King's University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Schmidt

Bill Pr5 Concordia University College of Alberta Amendment Act, 2015 —
Ms McLean

Mr. Feehan, Deputy Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill Pr1 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar) —
Agreed to

Sessional Paper 234/2015

Amendment to Bill Pr5 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar on
behalf of the Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 235/2015

Amendment to Bill 7 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 236/2015

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 7 Alberta Human Rights Amendment Act, 2015 — Hon. Ms Ganley

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, moved that the Bill be amended in Schedule 1 in section 6 by striking out subsection (2).

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 17

Aheer	Fildebrandt	Nixon
Barnes	Fraser	Panda
Clark	Hunter	Pitt
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	Yao
Ellis	McIver	

Against the amendment: 40

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Goehring	Miranda
Babcock	Hinkley	Nielsen
Bilous	Horne	Notley
Carlier	Kazim	Piquette
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Ceci	Larivee	Schmidt
Connolly	Littlewood	Schreiner
Coolahan	Loyola	Shepherd
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Sigurdson
Dach	Malkinson	Sucha
Dang	Mason	Swann
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Feehan	Miller	Westhead
Ganley		

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, moved that the Bill be amended in Schedule 2 in section 1 by striking out subsection (27).

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 14

Aheer	Ellis	McIver
Barnes	Fildebrandt	Panda
Clark	Hunter	Pitt
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	

Against the amendment: 40

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Goehring	Miranda
Babcock	Hinkley	Nielsen
Bilous	Horne	Notley
Carlier	Kazim	Piquette
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Ceci	Larivee	Schmidt
Connolly	Littlewood	Schreiner
Coolahan	Loyola	Shepherd
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Sigurdson
Dach	Malkinson	Sucha
Dang	Mason	Swann
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Feehan	Miller	Westhead
Ganley		

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

MLA Miranda, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 4 (A8) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) —
Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 237/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A9) (Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks) —
Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 238/2015

Amendment to Bill 4 (A10) (Hon. Member for Strathmore Brooks) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 239/2015

Third Reading

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

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal
Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

A debate followed.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of the evening.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 38

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Ganley	Miller
Babcock	Goehring	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carlier	Horne	Notley
Carson	Kazim	Piquette
Ceci	Kleinstauber	Sabir
Connolly	Larivee	Schmidt
Coolahan	Littlewood	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Shepherd
Dach	Luff	Sigurdson
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	Mason	Westhead
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	

Against the motion: 14

Aheer	Ellis	MacIntyre
Barnes	Fildebrandt	McIver
Clark	Fraser	Panda
Cooper	Hunter	Starke
Cyr	Loewen	

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement Various Tax Measures and to Enact the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Ceci

Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, on December 2, 2015, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Hon. Mr. Carlier moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, the Assembly adjourned at 1:08 a.m. Tuesday, December 8, 2015, until 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, December 8, 2015

The Speaker took the Chair at 10:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, on December 2, 2015, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Debate adjourned on the amendment, Mr. Jean speaking.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2.1), the Assembly adjourned at 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

MLA Cortes-Vargas, Hon. Member for Strathcona-Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the Government's actions to protect farm employees and ensure that family farms continue to thrive.

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding the Government's lack of cooperation and communication concerning Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, made a statement regarding the accomplishments of the Progressive Conservative Caucus this Session.

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, made a statement regarding the work of the Alberta Committee of Citizens with Disabilities.

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement regarding the evidence supporting the need for farm safety legislation.

Mr. Stier, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding Government policies and how the Wildrose Caucus will stand up for Albertans against these policies.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following three motions:

Be it resolved that, when further consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Second Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Be it resolved that, when further consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Be it resolved that, when further consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the devastating human, health, and social costs of the economic downturn, the resulting employment losses, and the bleak fiscal picture many Albertans are facing.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane:

Alberta Small Brewers Association news release, dated October 28, 2015, entitled "Alberta Beer Small Brewers Association Perspective on the October 27, 2015 Provincial Budget," relating to comments made in the Assembly by Mr. Westhead on December 7, 2015

Sessional Paper 240/2015

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills:

4 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, relating to comments made in the Assembly by Mr. Hanson on December 7, 2015

Sessional Paper 241/2015

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, on November 4, 2015, Ministry of Education, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 242/2015

Responses to questions raised by Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, on November 4, 2015, Ministry of Education, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 243/2015

Responses to questions raised by Ms Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, on November 4, 2015, Ministry of Education, 2015-16 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 244/2015

Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the devastating human, health, and social costs of the economic downturn, the resulting employment losses, and the bleak fiscal picture many Albertans are facing.

A debate followed on urgency.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was not in order.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, on December 2, 2015, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Debate adjourned on the amendment, Mr. Orr speaking.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 8 Public Education Collective Bargaining Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

Dr. Turner, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 8 (A1) (Hon. Minister of Education and Minister of Culture and Tourism) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 245/2015

Amendment to Bill 8 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-North West) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 246/2015

Amendment to Bill 8 (A3) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 247/2015

Third Reading

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

Bill 8 Public Education Collective Bargaining Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 53

Aheer	Gray	Panda
Anderson (Highwood)	Hanson	Piquette
Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hoffman	Renaud
Babcock	Horne	Rosendahl
Bilous	Jansen	Sabir
Carson	Kazim	Schmidt
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Schneider
Clark	Larivee	Smith
Coolahan	Littlewood	Stier
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Sucha
Dang	Malkinson	Swann
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Eggen	McKitrick	Turner
Feehan	McPherson	van Dijken
Fildebrandt	Miller	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Nixon	Woollard
Ganley	Notley	Yao
Goehring	Orr	

Against the motion: 3

Drysdale	McIver	Starke
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The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 8 Public Education Collective Bargaining Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, on December 2, 2015, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Mr. Fildebrandt moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:20 a.m. Wednesday, December 9, 2015, until 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 9, 2015

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, on December 2, 2015, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Hon. Mr. Mason moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Government Motions

26. Oral notice having been given on December 8, 2015, moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, when further consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Second Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Mason and Mr. Nixon commented on the time allocation motion.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Babcock	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carson	Horne	Payne
Ceci	Kazim	Renaud
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Littlewood	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Schreiner
Dang	Malkinson	Shepherd
Feehan	Mason	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Ganley	McKitrick	Westhead
Goehring	McLean	Woollard

Against the motion: 24

Aheer	Hanson	Rodney
Barnes	Hunter	Schneider
Clark	Jansen	Starke
Cyr	Loewen	Strankman
Drysdale	MacIntyre	Swann
Ellis	McIver	Taylor
Fraser	Nixon	van Dijken
Gotfried	Pitt	Yao

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute during consideration of the referral amendment.

The question was put on the amendment introduced by Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, on December 2, 2015, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

The amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 22

Aheer	Hanson	Rodney
Barnes	Hunter	Schneider
Clark	Jansen	Starke
Cyr	Loewen	Strankman
Drysdale	MacIntyre	Taylor
Ellis	McIver	van Dijken
Fraser	Nixon	Yao
Gotfried		

Against the amendment: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Babcock	Hinkley	Nielsen
Carson	Horne	Payne
Ceci	Kazim	Renaud
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Littlewood	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Schreiner
Dang	Malkinson	Shepherd
Feehan	Mason	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Ganley	McKitrick	Westhead
Goehring	McLean	Woollard

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Second time but that it be read a Second time this day six months hence.

A debate followed on the amendment.

Pursuant to Government Motion 26 agreed to on December 9, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:55 a.m. the question was immediately put on the amendment to the motion for Second Reading of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, which was defeated. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 28

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Anderson (Highwood)	Jansen	Rodney
Barnes	Jean	Schneider
Clark	Loewen	Smith
Cyr	MacIntyre	Starke
Drysdale	McIver	Stier
Ellis	Nixon	Strankman
Fraser	Orr	Taylor
Gotfried	Panda	Yao
Hanson		

Against the amendment: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Nielsen
Babcock	Horne	Notley
Carson	Kazim	Payne
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Schreiner
Dang	Malkinson	Shepherd
Feehan	Mason	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Ganley	McKitrick	Turner
Goehring	McLean	Westhead
Gray	Miranda	Woollard

Pursuant to Government Motion 26 agreed to on December 9, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 12:13 p.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, which was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 42

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Goehring	Miranda
Babcock	Gray	Nielsen
Carson	Hinkley	Notley
Ceci	Horne	Payne
Connolly	Kazim	Renaud
Coolahan	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Schmidt
Dach	Loyola	Schreiner
Dang	Luff	Shepherd
Drever	Malkinson	Sucha
Eggen	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McKitrick	Westhead
Ganley	McLean	Woollard

Against the motion: 28

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Anderson (Highwood)	Jansen	Rodney
Barnes	Jean	Schneider
Clark	Loewen	Smith
Cyr	MacIntyre	Starke
Drysdale	McIver	Stier
Ellis	Nixon	Strankman
Fraser	Orr	Taylor
Gotfried	Panda	Yao
Hanson		

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
Ms Sigurdson

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2015 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, made a statement recognizing the long and distinguished career of Dr. David McNeil, Clerk of the Assembly, who will be retiring on January 29, 2016.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, commented on the statement.

The Speaker requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow a Member of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, the Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and the Member for Calgary-Elbow to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, then commented on the statement.

The Speaker also made some comments.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Members' Statements

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, made a statement regarding comments made by Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, in opposition to a referral amendment proposed to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Mrs. Littlewood, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement recognizing the efforts of Deanna Lennox for establishing the War Horse Awareness Foundation in Fort Saskatchewan.

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement regarding the Government's failure to deliver on its promises since it was elected seven months ago.

Dr. Turner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the opportunity to make an impact in preventative medicine, prevent deaths, and ensure farm safety by supporting Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Mr. Connolly, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hawkwood, made a statement regarding the end of the fall semester for post-secondary students.

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, made a statement regarding the Government's failure to consult with and listen to Albertans concerning Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, presented a petition from over 30,000 Albertans urging the Government to immediately withdraw its proposed Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, from the legislative agenda, request its withdrawal from the Order Paper, and cease all further readings and debate of its content.

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, presented a petition from over 900 Albertans urging the Government to immediately withdraw its proposed Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, from the legislative agenda, request its withdrawal from the Order Paper, and cease all further readings and debate of its content.

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, presented a petition from over 1,000 Albertans urging the Government to immediately withdraw its proposed Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, from the legislative agenda, request its withdrawal from the Order Paper, and cease all further readings and debate of its content.

The petition put forth by Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, was not in order to be presented.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed:

3 recent letters from the Calgary Catholic School District, the Golden Hills School Division No. 75, and the Calgary Board of Education regarding Bill 8, Public Education Collective Bargaining Act, relating to comments made by Mr. Rodney in the Assembly on December 8, 2015

Sessional Paper 248/2015

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner:

278 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 249/2015

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler:

Over 300 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, including a letter dated November 25, 2015, from Tanner Madge to Hon. Ms Notley, Premier

Sessional Paper 250/2015

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s16(5), Report of Selected Payments to the Members and Former Members of the Legislative Assembly and Persons Directly Associated with Members of the Legislative Assembly, Year Ended March 31, 2015

Sessional Paper 251/2015

Pursuant to the Gaming and Liquor Act, cG-1, s30(2), Alberta Liquor and Gaming Commission, Annual Report 2014-2015

Sessional Paper 252/2015

Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, Charitable Gaming in Review, 2014-2015

Sessional Paper 253/2015

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre:

36 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 254/2015

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre, on behalf of Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock:

Notice of Amendment to Second Reading of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, that Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock, was not able to propose

Sessional Paper 255/2015

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader:

Letter dated December 9, 2015, from Karen Leibovici, President, and Gene Zwozdesky, Chairman, Membership Committee, Alberta Association of Former MLAs, to Dr. David McNeil, Clerk of the Assembly, informing Dr. McNeil of the Association's decision to confer upon him an honorary membership in the Association

Sessional Paper 256/2015

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills:

130 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 257/2015

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, on behalf of Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock:

117 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 258/2015

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow:

Over 300 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 259/2015

8 email messages regarding Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, relating to comments made by Mr. Schneider in the Assembly on December 8, 2015

Sessional Paper 260/2015

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo:

80 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 261/2015

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, on behalf of Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

130 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 262/2015

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, on behalf of Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Highwood, and Mr. Stier, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod:

200 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 263/2015

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon:

Over 200 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 264/2015

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat:

35 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 265/2015

193 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 266/2015

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow:

Western Producer website article dated December 4, 2015, entitled “What the other provinces are doing about farm worker safety,” relating to comments made by Mr. Clark in the Assembly on December 8, 2015

Sessional Paper 267/2015

Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake:

Letter, undated, unaddressed, with the sender’s name blocked out, expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, relating to comments made by Mr. MacIntyre in the Assembly on December 8, 2015

Sessional Paper 268/2015

35 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 269/2015

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Battle River-Wainwright:

Over 100 pieces of correspondence expressing opposition to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act

Sessional Paper 270/2015

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health and Minister of Seniors pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors, 2014/15 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 271/2015

Alberta College of Optometrists, 2014 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 272/2015

Alberta Dental Association and College, Annual Report 2014
Sessional Paper 273/2015

College of Alberta Dental Assistants, Annual Report 2014-15, June 1, 2014, to
May 31, 2015
Sessional Paper 274/2015

College of Opticians of Alberta, 2014 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 275/2015

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
Ms Sigurdson

Mrs. Schreiner, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Subamendment to Bill 6 (A1-SA1) (Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler)
— Adjourned
Sessional Paper 276/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A1) (Hon. Member for Stony Plain) — Adjourned
Sessional Paper 279/2015

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General and Minister of Aboriginal Relations, the Assembly adjourned at 5:57 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2015 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders / Private Bills

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill Pr1 The King's University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Schmidt
Bill Pr2 Bethesda Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nielsen
Bill Pr3 Rosary Hall, Edmonton Repeal Act — Mr. Shepherd
Bill Pr4 Canadian University College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Orr
Bill Pr5 Concordia University College of Alberta Amendment Act, 2015 —
Ms McLean
Bill Pr6 Covenant Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Fildebrandt
Bill Pr7 Living Faith Bible College Amendment Act, 2015 — Mr. Nixon

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

- Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
Ms Sigurdson

A debate followed.

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, moved that Amendment A1 to Bill 6 be amended in Part C in section 9(2)(a) by adding “or” at the end of the proposed clause (d) and by adding the following after the proposed clause (d):

- (e) persons in an industry listed in Schedule D whose employer maintains insurance coverage that provides benefits equivalent to compensation available under the Act, evidence of which has been provided in a form and manner that is satisfactory to the Minister.

A debate followed on the subamendment.

The question being put, the subamendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the subamendment: 16

Barnes	MacIntyre	Smith
Cooper	McIver	Starke
Cyr	Nixon	Strankman
Drysdale	Orr	van Dijken
Hanson	Schneider	Yao
Hunter		

Against the subamendment: 40

Babcock	Hoffman	Notley
Bilous	Horne	Piquette
Carlier	Kazim	Renaud
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Sabir
Connolly	Littlewood	Schmidt
Coolahan	Loyola	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Shepherd
Dach	Malkinson	Sucha
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Swann
Drever	McKitrick	Sweet
Eggen	Miller	Turner
Feehan	Miranda	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	Woollard
Gray		

The question was put on Amendment A1 to Bill 6, introduced by Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, that the Bill be amended as follows:

A Section 5(2) is struck out and the following is substituted:

(2) Section 1 is amended

(a) by adding the following after clause (k):

(k.1) “family member”, in relation to a shareholder, sole proprietor or partner, means

- (i) the spouse or adult interdependent partner of the shareholder, sole proprietor or partner, or
- (ii) whether by blood, marriage or adoption or by virtue of an adult interdependent relationship, a child, parent, grandparent, sibling, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew or first cousin of the shareholder, sole proprietor or partner or of the shareholder’s, sole proprietor’s or partner’s spouse or adult interdependent partner,

and includes any other person prescribed by the regulations to be a family member;

- (b) by repealing clause (s)(i) and substituting the following:
 - (i) farming and ranching operations that are specified in the regulations and in respect of which
 - (A) no wages, as defined in the *Employment Standards Code*, are paid to persons for the performance of farming or ranching work, or
 - (B) wages, as defined in the *Employment Standards Code*, are paid only to the following persons for the performance of farming or ranching work:
 - (I) shareholders of a corporation engaged in a farming or ranching operation of which all shareholders are family members of the same family;
 - (II) family members of a shareholder of a corporation engaged in a farming or ranching operation of which all shareholders are family members of the same family;
 - (III) family members of a sole proprietor engaged in a farming or ranching operation;
 - (IV) family members of a partner in a partnership engaged in a farming or ranching operation where all partners are family members of the same family,
 - and
- (c) by repealing clause (bb) and substituting the following:
 - (bb) “worker” means a person engaged in an occupation, but does not include, except for the purpose of section 2(2), the following persons engaged in a farming and ranching operation specified in the regulations:
 - (i) a person to whom no wages, as defined in the *Employment Standards Code*, are paid for the performance of farming or ranching work;
 - (ii) a person referred to in clause (s)(i)(B)(I) to (IV) to whom wages, as defined in the *Employment Standards Code*, are paid for the performance of farming or ranching work;

B Section 6 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Amends AR 27/95

6 The *Farming and Ranching Exemption Regulation*

(AR 27/95) is amended by repealing sections 2 and 3 and substituting the following:

Excluded farming and ranching operations

2(1) Subject to subsection (2), the following farming and ranching operations are specified for the purpose of section 1(s)(i) and (bb) of the Act:

- (a) the production of crops, including fruits and vegetables, through the cultivation of land;
 - (b) the raising and maintenance of animals or birds;
 - (c) the keeping of bees.
- (2) For greater certainty, the following are not farming and ranching operations:
- (a) the processing of food or other products from the operations referred to in subsection (1);
 - (b) the operations of greenhouses, mushroom farms, nurseries or sod farms;
 - (c) landscaping;
 - (d) the raising or boarding of pets.

C Section 9 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Amends AR 325/2002

9(1) The *Workers' Compensation Regulation* (AR 325/2002) is amended by this section.

(2) Section 3 is amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by striking out "or" at the end of clause (b), adding "or" at the end of clause (c) and adding the following after clause (c):
 - (d) persons in an industry listed in Schedule D
 - (i) to whom no wages, as defined in the *Employment Standards Code*, are paid for the performance of farming or ranching work, or
 - (ii) to whom wages, as defined in the *Employment Standards Code*, are paid for the performance of farming or ranching work and who are
 - (A) shareholders of a corporation engaged in a farming or ranching operation of which all shareholders are family members of the same family;
 - (B) family members of a shareholder of a corporation engaged in a farming or ranching operation of which all shareholders are family members of the same family;
 - (C) family members of a sole proprietor engaged in a farming or ranching operation;
 - (D) family members of a partner in a partnership engaged in a farming or ranching operation where all partners are family members of the same family.
- (b) in subsection (2) by striking out "subsection (1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "subsection (1)(a), (b) or (d)";

- (c) by adding the following after subsection (3):
- (4) In this section, “family member”, in relation to a shareholder, sole proprietor or partner, means
- (a) the spouse or adult interdependent partner of the shareholder, sole proprietor or partner, or
- (b) whether by blood, marriage or adoption or by virtue of an adult interdependent relationship, a child, parent, grandparent, sibling, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew or first cousin of the shareholder, sole proprietor or partner or of the shareholder’s, sole proprietor’s or partner’s spouse or adult interdependent partner,

and includes any other person prescribed to be a family member.

- (3) Schedule A is amended by striking out
- “agrology and agronomy services, provision of;”,
- “apiary, operation of;”,
- “artificial breeding services, provision of;”,
- “breeding of animals, birds, fish or reptiles;”,
- “collection of urine from pregnant mares;”,
- “dude ranch, operation of;”,
- “egg producer, commercial, carrying on business as;”,
- “farming, carrying on business of;”,
- “farming contracting, including haying and threshing, carrying on business of;”,
- “feed lot, commercial, operation of;”,
- “fertilizer spreading services, provision of;”,
- “fruit grower, commercial, carrying on business as;”,
- “game farm, operation of;”,
- “horse exercising, training or racing, carrying on business of;”,
- “poultry producer, commercial, carrying on business as;”,
- “rabbit producer, commercial, carrying on business as;”,
- “ranching;”,
- “riding academy or horse stable, operation of;”, and
- “vegetable grower, commercial, carrying on business as;”.

- (4) The following is added after Schedule C:

Schedule D

The following are industries to which section 3(1)(d) of this Regulation applies:

- agrology and agronomy services, provision of;
- apiary, operation of;
- artificial breeding services, provision of;
- breeding of animals, birds, fish or reptiles;
- collection of urine from pregnant mares;
- dude ranch, operation of;
- egg producer, commercial, carrying on business as;
- farming, carrying on business of;

farming contracting, including haying and threshing, carrying on business of;
 feed lot, commercial, operation of;
 fertilizer spreading services, provision of;
 fruit grower, commercial, carrying on business as;
 game farm, operation of;
 horse exercising, training or racing, carrying on business of;
 poultry producer, commercial, carrying on business as;
 rabbit producer, commercial, carrying on business as;
 ranching;
 riding academy or horse stable, operation of;
 vegetable grower, commercial, carrying on business as.

The amendment was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 43

Babcock	Gray	Notley
Bilous	Hoffman	Piquette
Carlier	Horne	Renaud
Carson	Kazim	Sabir
Connolly	Kleinstauber	Schmidt
Coolahan	Littlewood	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Shepherd
Dach	Luff	Starke
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	McCuaig-Boyd	Swann
Drysdale	McKitrick	Sweet
Eggen	Miller	Turner
Feehan	Miranda	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	Woollard
Fraser		

Against the amendment: 14

Barnes	MacIntyre	Smith
Cooper	McIver	Strankman
Cyr	Nixon	van Dijken
Hanson	Orr	Yao
Hunter	Schneider	

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
 Ms Sigurdson

Ms McKittrick, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Subamendment to Bill 6 (A1-SA1) (Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler)
— Defeated

Sessional Paper 276/2015

Subamendment to Bill 6 (A1-SA2) (Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 277/2015

Subamendment to Bill 6 (A1-SA3) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 278/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A1) (Hon. Member for Stony Plain) — Agreed to on division

Sessional Paper 279/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A2) (Hon. Member for Grand Prairie-Wapiti) —
Adjourned

Sessional Paper 280/2015

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the vote on Government Motion 27.

Government Motions

27. Oral notice having been given on December 8, 2015, moved by Hon. Mr. Bilous on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, when further consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Bilous and Mr. Cooper commented on the time allocation motion.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 38

Babcock	Hoffman	Phillips
Carlier	Horne	Piquette
Carson	Kazim	Renaud
Connolly	Littlewood	Sabir
Coolahan	Loyola	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Schreiner
Dach	Malkinson	Shepherd
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Sucha
Drever	McKitrick	Sweet
Eggen	Miller	Turner
Feehan	Miranda	Westhead
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	Woollard
Gray	Notley	

Against the motion: 22

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Barnes	Loewen	Schneider
Cooper	MacIntyre	Smith
Cyr	McIver	Starke
Drysdale	Nixon	Strankman
Fildebrandt	Orr	van Dijken
Fraser	Panda	Yao
Hanson		

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Pursuant to Government Motion 27 agreed to on December 9, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 1:14 a.m. the question was immediately put on the amendment to Bill 6 (A7) introduced by the Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster on December 9, 2015, that the Bill be amended as follows:

A. Section 3 is struck out and the following is substituted:

3 This Part comes into force on January 1 of the year following notification by the Minister to the Assembly that public consultation has been completed on this Part.

B. Section 4(3) is struck out and the following is substituted:

4(3) This section comes into force on January 1 of the year following notification by the Minister to the Assembly that public consultation has been completed on this section.

C. Section 8 is struck out and the following is substituted:

8 This Part comes into force on January 1 of the year following the Minister notifying the Assembly that public consultation has been completed on proposed regulations under the Occupational Health and Safety Act in this Part.

D. Section 10 is struck out and the following is substituted:

10 This Part comes into force on January 1, 2017.

The amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 22

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Barnes	Loewen	Schneider
Cooper	MacIntyre	Smith
Cyr	McIver	Starke
Drysdale	Nixon	Strankman
Fildebrandt	Orr	van Dijken
Fraser	Panda	Yao
Hanson		

Against the amendment: 38

Babcock	Gray	Notley
Bilous	Hoffman	Piquette
Carlier	Horne	Renaud
Carson	Kazim	Sabir
Connolly	Littlewood	Schmidt
Coolahan	Loyola	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Shepherd
Dach	Malkinson	Sucha
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Drever	McKitrick	Turner
Eggen	Miller	Westhead
Feehan	Miranda	Woollard
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	

Pursuant to Government Motion 27 agreed to on December 9, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 1:18 a.m. the question was immediately put on the remaining clauses of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 27 agreed to on December 9, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 1:18 a.m. the question was immediately put on the title and preamble to Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 27 agreed to on December 9, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 1:19 a.m. the question was immediately put that Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be reported, which was agreed to. With Ms Jabbour at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 38

Babcock	Gray	Notley
Bilous	Hoffman	Piquette
Carlier	Horne	Renaud
Carson	Kazim	Sabir
Connolly	Littlewood	Schmidt
Coolahan	Loyola	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Shepherd
Dach	Malkinson	Sucha
Dang	McCuaig-Boyd	Sweet
Drever	McKitrick	Turner
Eggen	Miller	Westhead
Feehan	Miranda	Woollard
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	

Against the motion: 22

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Barnes	Loewen	Schneider
Cooper	MacIntyre	Smith
Cyr	McIver	Starke
Drysdale	Nixon	Strankman
Fildebrandt	Orr	van Dijken
Fraser	Panda	Yao
Hanson		

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Ms Woollard, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 6 (A2) (Hon. Member for Grand Prairie-Wapiti) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 280/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A3) (Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two
Hills) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 281/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A4) (Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 282/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A5) (Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two
Hills) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 283/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A6) (Hon. Member for Calgary-South East) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 284/2015

Amendment to Bill 6 (A7) (Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster) —
Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 285/2015

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 1:25 a.m. Thursday, December 10, 2015, until 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, December 10, 2015

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Apology by Member

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement withdrawing and apologizing for comments made in the Assembly and tweets recently made with respect to the Speaker both inside and outside of the Chamber.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Mr. Mason
on behalf of Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

A debate followed.

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

A debate followed on the amendment.

Mr. Schmidt moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Government Motions

28. Oral notice having been given on December 8, 2015, moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, when further consideration of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Mr. Cooper commented on the time allocation motion.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 41

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miller
Carlier	Hinkley	Miranda
Carson	Hoffman	Payne
Ceci	Horne	Piquette
Connolly	Jabbour	Renaud
Coolahan	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Larivee	Sabir
Dach	Littlewood	Schmidt
Dang	Loyola	Sigurdson
Drever	Luff	Sucha
Eggen	Malkinson	Sweet
Feehan	Mason	Turner
Ganley	McCuaig-Boyd	Westhead
Goehring	McPherson	

Against the motion: 29

Aheer	Hunter	Rodney
Anderson (Highwood)	Jansen	Schneider
Barnes	Jean	Smith
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	Stier
Drysdale	McIver	Strankman
Ellis	Nixon	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Orr	van Dijken
Gotfried	Panda	Yao
Hanson	Pitt	

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, on December 10, 2015, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

Pursuant to Government Motion 28 agreed to on December 10, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:22 a.m. the question was immediately put on the amendment to the motion for Third Reading of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, which was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 29

Aheer	Hunter	Rodney
Anderson (Highwood)	Jansen	Schneider
Barnes	Jean	Smith
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	Stier
Drysdale	McIver	Strankman
Ellis	Nixon	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Orr	van Dijken
Gotfried	Panda	Yao
Hanson	Pitt	

Against the amendment: 44

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Notley
Carlier	Hoffman	Payne
Carson	Horne	Piquette
Ceci	Jabbour	Renaud
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Larivee	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Shepherd
Dach	Loyola	Sigurdson
Dang	Luff	Sucha
Drever	Malkinson	Swann
Eggen	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Ganley	McPherson	Westhead
Goehring	Miller	

Pursuant to Government Motion 28 agreed to on December 10, 2015, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:28 a.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Third Reading of Bill 6, Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act, which was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 44

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Miranda
Bilous	Hinkley	Notley
Carlier	Hoffman	Payne
Carson	Horne	Piquette
Ceci	Jabbour	Renaud
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Larivee	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Shepherd
Dach	Loyola	Sigurdson
Dang	Luff	Sucha
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Eggen	Mason	Sweet
Feehan	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Ganley	McPherson	Westhead
Goehring	Miller	

Against the motion: 29

Aheer	Hunter	Rodney
Anderson (Highwood)	Jansen	Schneider
Barnes	Jean	Smith
Cooper	Loewen	Starke
Cyr	MacIntyre	Stier
Drysdale	McIver	Strankman
Ellis	Nixon	Taylor
Fildebrandt	Orr	van Dijken
Gotfried	Panda	Yao
Hanson	Pitt	

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 6 Enhanced Protection for Farm and Ranch Workers Act — Hon.
Ms Sigurdson

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 14 agreed to on December 1, 2015, and on advice by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, to the Assembly that the business for the Fall Sitting is concluded, the Assembly adjourned at 11:36 a.m. until February 2016.

PROROGATION

MARCH 7, 2016

Prorogation

[GREAT SEAL]
CANADA
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

COLONEL (RETIRED) DONALD S. ETHELL,
Lieutenant Governor.

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada,
and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth,
Defender of the Faith

PROCLAMATION

To OUR FAITHFUL, the MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of
Our Province of Alberta and to each and every one of you

GREETING

WHEREAS it is Our will and pleasure by and with
the advice and consent of Our Executive Council
of Our Province of Alberta to prorogue the First
Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of
Alberta:

WE DO hereby prorogue, effective March 7,
2016, the said Legislature; and

Philip Bryden,
Deputy Attorney General

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient for certain
causes and considerations to convene the
Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta
for the Second Session of the Twenty-ninth
Legislature, WE DO WILL that you and each of
you, and all others in this behalf interested, on
Tuesday, the 8th day of March, 2016, at the hour
of THREE o'clock in the afternoon, at Our City of
Edmonton, personally be and appear, for the
despatch of business, to treat, act, do and conclude
upon those things which, in the Legislature of Our
Province of Alberta, by the Common Council of
Our said Province, may, by the favour of God, be
ordained.

HEREIN FAIL NOT

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and
the Great Seal of Our Province of Alberta to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: THE HONOURABLE LOIS MITCHELL, Lieutenant Governor of
Our Province of Alberta, this 19th day of February in the Year of Our Lord Two
Thousand Sixteen and in the Sixty-fifth Year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND:

KATHLEEN GANLEY,
Provincial Secretary