



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 19

ORDER PAPER

Second Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Wednesday, April 16, 2014

Prayers

ROUTINE

O Canada (First sitting day of each week)

Oral Question Period (1:50 p.m. daily)

Introduction of Visitors

Introduction of Guests

Ministerial Statements

Members' Statements

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Presenting Petitions

Notices of Motions

Introduction of Bills

Tabling Returns and Reports

Tablings to the Clerk

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

11. Moved by Hon. Mr. Horner:

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

Adjourned debate: Mr. Allen

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 7 Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2014 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Committee of the Whole

Bill 6 New Home Buyer Protection Amendment Act, 2014 — Minister of Municipal Affairs

Bills Awaiting Royal Assent

Bill 4 Estate Administration Act — Ms Kubinec

2014-15 Main Estimates Consideration

April 16 (aft.) Main Estimates Votes
(Committee of Supply, Chamber)

Written Questions

WQ42. Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):

What were the estimated costs to the Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General for the 2012-13 fiscal year as a result of court delays associated with self-represented litigants?

WQ43. Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):

What was the median income of legal aid recipients for the 2012-13 fiscal year?

- WQ44.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
How many letters, emails, and phone calls did the Government receive between March 1, 2012, and February 28, 2014, from individuals denied legal aid due to receipt of income from Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped benefits?
- WQ45.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
How many letters, emails, and phone calls did the Government receive between March 1, 2012, and February 28, 2014, from individuals denied legal aid because they receive income from full-time minimum wage employment?
- WQ46.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
In each of the 2011-12 and 2012-13 fiscal years, what percentage of legal aid clients reported being “satisfied” or “very satisfied” with the service they received?
- WQ47.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
What was the total cost to the Province of transporting inmates from the new Edmonton Remand Centre to Alberta courthouses between March 19, 2012, and February 28, 2014?
- WQ48.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
What criteria does the Government and the Alberta Energy Regulator use to determine the impact on wildlife and their habitats as a result of pipeline releases, bitumen emulsions, and sediment releases?
- WQ49.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
What criteria does the Government and the Alberta Energy Regulator use to determine if 100 per cent recovery of pipeline releases, bitumen emulsions, and sediment releases has been achieved?
- WQ50.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
What criteria does the Alberta Energy Regulator use to verify the volume of product released and recovered from pipeline releases, bitumen emulsions, and sediment releases?
- WQ51.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
Why did the former Energy Resources Conservation Board use the designation “unknown” in the incident database as the operator responsible for releases for the period from March 12, 1975, to June 1, 2013?

- WQ52.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
What do the designations “zero,” in relation to the amount released, and “non-zero,” in relation to the amount recovered, refer to as used by the former Energy Resources Conservation Board in the incident database?
- WQ53.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
Why are news releases from the Alberta Energy Regulator not distributed via email subscription in a manner comparable to other Government announcements from public agencies?
- WQ54.** Mr. Hehr to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
What are the anticipated completion dates for each of the 50 new schools and 70 modernizations projects that were announced by the Government in 2013 and 2014?
- WQ55.** Mr Hehr to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
Which of the 50 new schools and 70 modernization projects that were announced by the Government in 2013 and 2014 are P3 projects and which are design-built?

Motions for Returns

- MR9.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of lists of all wildlife found dead and in rehabilitation as of February 28, 2014, due to the continuing bitumen emulsion at the Cold Lake Air Weapons Range.
- MR10.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of lists of all wildlife found dead and in rehabilitation as of February 28, 2014, due to the October 31, 2013, rupture of Sherritt International’s Obed Coal Mine containment pond.
- MR11.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of any studies or briefing notes prepared for the Government between January 1, 2012, and February 28, 2014, regarding legal aid or self-represented litigants in Alberta.

MR12. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the list of Delegated Administrative Organizations of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development operating in Alberta as of February 28, 2014.

MR13. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of records of any spills omitted from the incident database used by the former Energy Resources Conservation Board.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 204 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (MLA Public Interest Fee Waiver) Amendment Act, 2014 — Mr. Barnes (Time remaining: 105 minutes)

Debate adjourned, Hon. Mr. Scott speaking.

Bill 205 Animal Protection (Prevention of Animal Distress and Neglect) Amendment Act, 2014 — Mr. Webber

Committee of the Whole

Bill 203 Childhood Vision Assessment Act — Mrs. Jablonski (Due Day 25)

Referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship

Bill 201 Agricultural Pests (Fusarium Head Blight) Amendment Act, 2014 — Ms Kubinec

Motions Other Than Government Motions

505. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion (amended):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Health Information Act and other Acts governing freedom of information and protection of privacy that would *allow the Information and Privacy Commissioner to release information to relevant Ministers' Offices and affected parties when a data breach occurs.*

506. Mr. Fox to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to end the first available bed policy for continuing care by restricting the maximum placement distance from an applicant's preferred community to 50 kilometres.

507. Ms Smith to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make Alberta's budgets, fiscal updates, and annual reports transparent by presenting consolidated financial statements demonstrating the Government's annual surplus or deficit and utilizing the provincial debt calculation set out in the Fiscal Responsibility Act as enacted in 1999.

508. Mr. Young to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt the National Information Exchange Model data exchange standard that will enable the secure exchange of authorized information within the Government as well as between other provincial governments, their agencies, and the federal government; and to establish an Alberta interoperability development office to manage data and facilitate data and voice interoperability.

509. Mr. Jeneroux to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the viability of providing government subsidies to all Albertans who need childcare services in order to provide an incentive for parents to re-enter the workforce, which will increase personal income tax contributions and address current and future skilled worker gaps in Alberta.

510. Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to provide a tax credit for full-time family caregivers of disabled seniors who would otherwise require hospitalization or qualify for long-term care.

511. Withdrawn

512. Withdrawn

513. Mr. Donovan to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a working group to address the rising transmission fees incurred by agricultural producers.

514. Mr. Dorward to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government, if funds become available, to review the feasibility of reinstating the Major Community Facilities Program, or a similar grant program, in order to assist with the planning, building, maintaining, or upgrading of major community facilities whose funding requirements exceed the level of targeted grants provided by the Community Facility Enhancement Program.

515. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to designate all surface water and groundwater as a public good, prohibiting its sale to private individuals, organizations, and corporations.

516. Mr. Bilous to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the constitutionality and legality of each of its Bills prior to introduction in the Assembly.

517. Mr. McAllister to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the potential shortcomings of experiential or discovery learning in Alberta classrooms, and to re-emphasize the importance of conventional teaching methods, like building the fundamentals of math, reading, and writing, and to employ traditional student assessment.

518. Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately develop a universal low-fee childcare program.

519. Mr. Pedersen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that all Albertans have local access to mental health and addiction services.

520. Mr. Wilson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce right of recall legislation to ensure that elected representatives are accountable to the electorate.

521. Withdrawn

522. Withdrawn

523. Withdrawn

524. Withdrawn

525. Withdrawn

526. Mr. Pedersen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider providing sustainable and predictable operating grants to post-secondary institutions on an annual basis.

527. Mr. Anderson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create a volunteer advisory council on education for developmental disabilities that would assess the accessibility, effectiveness, and outcomes of special education programs in school districts across Alberta, make recommendations to improve the education experience and achievement of students with developmental disabilities, and report those recommendations to the Legislative Assembly.

528. Mr. Hale to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to instruct the Red Tape Reduction Task Force to work with the Alberta Energy Regulator to find increased efficiencies and cost-saving measures in the regulatory process.

529. Mr. Sandhu to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation requiring land developers to contribute one per cent of each housing lot price in each of their residential development projects into a community park fund to be used by that community to develop parks on land designated as public use space.

530. Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a policy that requires all government contracts exceeding \$10,000 to be subject to complete and immediate public disclosure, removing the need for a request under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

531. Mr. Anderson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to limit bonuses for all senior public sector executives and managers, including those who are employed by Alberta Health Services and other provincial agencies, boards, and commissions, to 15 per cent of their base income and contingent upon meeting published objective performance criteria.

532. Mr. Jeneroux to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with municipalities in the Capital Region to facilitate the construction of green infrastructure such as, but not limited to, park-and-ride lots or other transit facilities, community gardens, and dog parks within the transportation utility corridor surrounding the City of Edmonton.

533. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Workers' Compensation Act that would require a mandatory review of the Act every five years by a committee of the Legislative Assembly.

534. Withdrawn

535. Withdrawn

536. Withdrawn

537. Withdrawn

538. Mr. Saskiw to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce a motion in the Assembly to amend the Constitution of Canada to include the protection of property rights in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

539. Withdrawn

540. Withdrawn

541. Mr. Sandhu to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to amend section 1(1)(m) of the Traffic Safety Act in order to designate tow trucks as emergency vehicles.

542. Withdrawn

543. Withdrawn

544. Withdrawn

545. Withdrawn

546. Ms Notley to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to support the reduction of child poverty by implementing the recommendations of the November 2013 report by the Edmonton Social Planning Council, Public Interest Alberta, and the College of Social Workers entitled "From Words to Action."

547. Dr. Sherman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct and to make public a forensic financial audit of all of its agencies, boards, and commissions which shall take into account the collection of resource royalties in order to ensure the accuracy and transparency of Alberta's fiscal position.

548. Withdrawn

549. Withdrawn

550. Withdrawn

551. Mr. Anglin to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a review of the compensation paid to small micro-generators for renewable energy supplied to the grid and consider the feasibility of the rate being determined by the Alberta Electric System Operator based on a formula that compensates the small micro-generator for the retail energy rate, administration charges, and delivery charges, including distribution costs, transmission costs, and line loss.

552. Mrs. Jablonski to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, given the many benefits of early childhood testing for hearing and vision, the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require comprehensive testing for both at the time of Grade 1 registration.

553. Mr. Bilous to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that prohibits mandatory non-instructional fees at post-secondary institutions.

554. Withdrawn

555. Withdrawn

556. Mrs. Fenske to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to allow and encourage the establishment of retail amenities at highway rest areas.

557. Mrs. Sarich to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make a commitment to fund sufficient additional long-term care beds to fully meet the needs of the projected number of seniors requiring such care for the next five years.

558. Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that would enable the Lieutenant Governor in Council to designate specified public gatherings or demonstrations to be places where no person may disguise or conceal their identity in circumstances when there is a reasonable apprehension of personal injury or destruction of property.

559. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement policies that require all new oil sands developments or lease renewals to have plans for upgrading bitumen in Alberta.

560. Dr. Sherman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to institute a progressive taxation system for all Albertans.

561. Mr. Bikman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to institute a life skills and employability module into the core curriculum for all high school students to help them prepare for post-secondary education and the labour market.

562. Withdrawn

563. Withdrawn

564. Mr. Hehr to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to eliminate coal-fired generation by January 1, 2035, as a source of electricity.

565. Mr. Quadri to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the feasibility of removing the matching funding requirement from the Community Facility Enhancement Program in relation to grant applications for children's play structures in order to ensure that all communities, regardless of their financial status, are eligible.

566. Mrs. Jablonski to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate and report on the environmental risks of disposing carpet in landfills and to examine the feasibility of implementing a provincial carpet recycling program.

567. Mr. Allen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider funding single-embryo transfer in vitro fertilization treatments thereby eliminating multiple births, and reducing costs, the risk of complications, premature births, and extended neonatal intensive care stays, as supported by research done by the University of Alberta School of Public Health.

568. Mr. Bikman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to accept the recommendations of the Red Tape Reduction Task Force as stated in the March 2012 report entitled "Focusing on What Matters" and implement an integrated strategy for systematically making life and business simpler and less expensive for all Albertans, and to report to the Assembly on the implementation of the recommendations by March 31, 2015.

569. Mrs. Sarich to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make a commitment to implement a comprehensive plan and funding model to increase access to early childhood services and childcare and access to out-of-school childcare services to ensure that the system is stable, accessible, and affordable for families.

570. Withdrawn

571. Withdrawn

572. Mrs. Leskiw to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Alberta Land Stewardship Act that would require conservation easements to have a standardized setback at a distance of 400 metres.

573. Withdrawn

574. Withdrawn

575. Mr. Strankman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to maximize the use of its grain transport rail cars to mitigate product and related financial losses by Alberta grain farmers.

576. Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the systemic gaps in child and youth mental health and addiction services in order to develop system-level planning and public delivery for adult and child and youth mental health and addiction services.

577. Withdrawn

578. Withdrawn

579. Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation establishing minimum staffing levels for all long-term care facilities and a funding model that ensures future government funding is dependent on a facility operator conforming to these established minimum levels.

580. Withdrawn

581. Withdrawn

582. Withdrawn

583. Withdrawn

584. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commit to joining the other provinces in supporting the expansion of the Canada Pension Plan and to engage in discussions with the other provinces and the federal government to this end.

585. Withdrawn

586. Withdrawn

587. Withdrawn

588. Mr. Anglin to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to rectify the damage to the landscape due to the incomplete construction of the Highway 12 bypass project south of Bentley.

589. Ms Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make available for individuals receiving services under the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan an annual accounting of medical expenses incurred by those individuals.

590. Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately develop a comprehensive child poverty reduction strategy.

591. Withdrawn

592. Withdrawn

593. Withdrawn

594. Ms Notley to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commit to the immediate study and drafting of a plan to phase out all coal-generated power in Alberta by 2025.

595. Mrs. Fenske to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that agriculture-based course material be included as part of the Alberta curriculum where possible for Grades 1 through 12.

596. Withdrawn

597. Withdrawn

598. Mr. Dorward to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake a review of the impact that francophone immigrants have on enhancing the province's diverse social framework, schools, and post-secondary education.

599. Withdrawn

600. Withdrawn

601. Withdrawn

602. Withdrawn

603. Mr. Young to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a framework for consultation on provincial legislation from the simplest form of consultation to the most complex that also takes into account information sharing and collective decision making.

604. Mr. Webber to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement harsher consequences for cases of animal neglect or cruelty by introducing amendments to section 12(1) of the Animal Protection Act which would include incarceration, or increased monetary fines, or both.

605. Mr. Donovan to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with the Interfaith Food Bank Society of Lethbridge to establish and maintain a protein pilot project.

606. Withdrawn

607. Withdrawn

608. Withdrawn

609. Withdrawn

610. Withdrawn

611. Ms Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider developing a program to ensure that an annual dental check-up be made available to all children six years of age and younger, regardless of family income.

612. Mrs. Forsyth to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that will establish strong punitive measures against those who knowingly harm or kill service dogs or dogs employed in law enforcement duties.

613. Withdrawn

614. Withdrawn

615. Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that requires the licensing of residential builders, including developers and building envelope renovators, and creates a searchable public registry indicating the standing of all residential builders, developers, and building envelope renovators.

616. Withdrawn

617. Mr. Strankman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide a guarantee in legislation to rural Albertans that ensures they will have consistent and timely access to health care.

618. Withdrawn

619. Mrs. Forsyth to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop comprehensive performance measures, targets, and a public reporting system specific to each Family Care Clinic established in communities across the province.

620. Withdrawn

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill 8 Appropriation Act, 2014 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Bill 9 Public Sector Pension Plans Amendment Act, 2014 — Hon. Mr. Horner

Bill 10 Employment Pension (Private Sector) Plans Amendment Act, 2014 —
Hon. Mr. Horner

Projected Government Business

Wednesday, April 16

Aft. – **Government Bills and Orders**

Committee of Supply

All votes on the 2014-15 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates and the 2014-15 Government Estimates

Second Reading

Bill 7

Committee of the Whole

Bill 6

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. – **Government Bills and Orders**

Second Reading

Bill 7

Committee of the Whole

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Aft. – **Government Bills and Orders**

Second Reading

Bill 8

Committee of the Whole

Bill 7

Third Reading

Bill 6

And as per the Order Paper

**Due Dates Under Standing Order 34(5) for
Written Questions Accepted and Motions for Returns Agreed to**

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Hon. Gene Zwozdesky,
Speaker

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