

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 37

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Monday, November 21, 2011

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

Members' Statements

Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding the donors and volunteers who helped Slave Lake and area fire evacuees.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding the need to increase the number of immigrants permitted under the Provincial Nominee Program.

Mr. Doerksen, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement recognizing November 2011 as Family Violence Prevention Month.

Mr. Allred, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding the 150th anniversary of the founding of St. Albert.

Mr. Ouellette, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, made a statement congratulating Marc Seabrook, Murray Brennan, John Goucher, and Chad Theriault on their participation in the WorldSkills Competition held in London, England, October 5-8, 2011.

Ms Woo-Paw, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay, made a statement regarding the YOU Innovate Canada Tournament and the Enterprising Spirit: Creating Value and Social Good Conference held in Calgary as part of Global Entrepreneurship Week.

Mr. Benito, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the recent death of 16 year-old Kyle Fundytus during a minor hockey game.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Mitzel, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, presented the following:

Report of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, Review of the Lobbyists Act, November 2011

Sessional Paper 496/2011

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 21 Election Amendment Act, 2011 - Hon. Mr. Olson

Bill 22 Justice and Court Statutes Amendment Act, 2011 — Ms Woo-Paw

Bill 23 Land Assembly Project Area Amendment Act, 2011 - Hon. Mr. Johnson

Bill 24 Health Quality Council of Alberta Act — Hon. Mr. Horne

Bill 25 Child and Youth Advocate Act — Hon. Mr. Hancock

Bill 26 Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2011 — Hon. Mr. Danyluk

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 22 Justice and Court Statutes Amendment Act, 2011 — Ms Woo-Paw

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Human Services, pursuant to the Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act, cC-12, s3(4):

2010-11 Annual Report, Child and Youth Advocate

Sessional Paper 497/2011

Ms Evans, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, 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 2010/11

Sessional Paper 498/2011

Ms DeLong, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, pursuant to the Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta Act, cS-6, s7(2):

Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, Annual Report 2010-2011 Sessional Paper 499/2011

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated October 26, 2011, from Hadi Schiestl of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding the government's recognition of life lease arrangements

Sessional Paper 500/2011

E-mail message dated October 27, 2011, from Kent McKay of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding the government delaying construction on the proposed new Royal Alberta Museum

Sessional Paper 501/2011

E-mail message dated October 12, 2011, from Ian O'Donnell, Downtown Edmonton Community League, to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, with attached letter dated August 29, 2011, from Chris Buyze, President, Downtown Edmonton Community League, and Ian O'Donnell, Chair, Development Committee, Downtown Edmonton Community League, to the City of Edmonton, both encouraging the revitalization of Edmonton's downtown core Sessional Paper 502/2011

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow the Assembly to sit past the normal adjournment time for the election of the Deputy Chair of Committees to be held.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Privilege - Government Document

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, raised a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 on October 24, 2011, regarding statements made by the former Minister of Health and Wellness concerning a government document.

The Speaker heard from Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona.

The Speaker advised that he will hear from Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek, and Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, the following sitting day.

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. Zwozdesky nominated by Mr. Quest

Ms Blakeman nominated by Dr. Taft

- Mr. Lund nominated by Mr. Marz
- Mr. Boutilier nominated by Mr. Anderson

Receiving no additional nominations, the Speaker declared nominations closed.

Voting was 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, 67; the number of spoiled ballots, 0; the number of votes required to achieve the 50 percent plus one majority, 34; the Member having received the majority of votes cast, Mr. Zwozdesky. Mr. Zwozdesky is hereby declared the Deputy Chair of Committees of the Legislative Assembly for the 27th Legislature.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow the Assembly to proceed to Government Bills and Orders to allow for the delivery of a Message from His Honour the Honourable Lieutenant Governor, to table the quarterly budget report and the Supplementary Estimates, and to proceed with Government Motions 23 and 24.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Motions for Returns

The following Motion for a Return was rejected:

MR17. Moved by Mr. Chase:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the analysis by Employment and Immigration on occupational cancer rates referenced on page 38, note 14 of the April 2010 Report of the Auditor General of Alberta.

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)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 203 Alberta Get Outdoors Weekend Act - Mr. Rodney

Second Reading

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

Bill 204 Justice System Monitoring Act - Mrs. Forsyth

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Boutilier speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

506. Moved by Ms Woo-Paw:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the procedures and rules that determine post-secondary student funding to ensure that student funding meets the diverse and evolving needs of students in the 21st century.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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:

Hon. Mr. Berger, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, pursuant to the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, cM-4, s14(2):

Alberta Agricultural Products Marketing Council, Annual Report 2010/2011 Sessional Paper 495/2011

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Denis, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:45 p.m. until Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Monday, November 21, 2011