

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 19

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Wednesday, November 21, 2012

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 Ethics Commissioner Mr. Don Hamilton, who passed away on November 14, 2012.

Members' Statements

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement regarding the legislative process in Alberta.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding overcrowding in newly constructed schools in Alberta.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, made a statement regarding the need to re-examine the scope of practice of optometrists.

Mr. Fraser, Hon. Member for Calgary-South East, made a statement recognizing November 21, 2012, as the National Day of Remembrance for Road Crash Victims.

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement recognizing November 2012 as Family Violence Prevention Month.

Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, made a statement regarding the issue of deficit financing in Alberta.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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 2011-2012

Sessional Paper 273/2012

Mr. Anglin, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre:

Notice dated November 2, 2012, to Market Participants and Stakeholders from the Market Surveillance Administrator outlining the Market Surveillance Administrator's findings with respect to the load shed event that occurred in areas of Alberta on July 9, 2012

Sessional Paper 274/2012

Mr. McDonald, Deputy Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Election Act, cE-1, s4(5):

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the 2011 Provincial Enumeration and Monday, April 23, 2012, Provincial General Election of the Twenty-eighth Legislative Assembly

Sessional Paper 275/2012

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Senate Nominee Election, Monday, April 23, 2012

Sessional Paper 276/2012

Hon. Mr. Rodney, Associate Minister of Wellness, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors, 2011/12 Annual Report Sessional Paper 277/2012

Hon. Mr. Rodney, Associate Minister of Wellness, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health:

Financial Statements of the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors, June 30, 2012

Sessional Paper 278/2012

Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

Elections Finances Act, C.C.S.M. cE32 (Manitoba)

Sessional Paper 279/2012

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

CBC website article dated November 21, 2012, entitled "Albertans pick up liquor tab for health executives, Covenant Health bosses bought expensive bottles of wine, meals at taxpayers expense"

Sessional Paper 280/2012

Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview:

Petition signed by 3,013 Albertans urging the Government to commit to an achievable but early date for the completion of the twinning of Highway 63 Sessional Paper 281/2012

Ms Fenske, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville:

Email message dated November 9, 2012, from Doug Bertsch, North West Redwater Partnership, to Ms Fenske, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, responding to a request by Ms Fenske for information concerning power requirements at the Sturgeon refinery, supporting comments made by Ms Fenske during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 8, Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2012, on November 20, 2012

Sessional Paper 282/2012

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

Program from the Alberta Order of Excellence Dinner, recently held in Lethbridge, celebrating inductee Dr. Robert Hironaka

Sessional Paper 283/2012

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Calgary Herald article dated October 24, 2012, entitled "Utilities commission regains power under new bill"

Sessional Paper 284/2012

Health Access Inquiry webpage accessed on November 20, 2012, entitled "The Health Services Preferential Access Inquiry"

Sessional Paper 285/2012

Document, undated, entitled "Rules of Practice and Procedure, Health Services Preferential Access Inquiry," signed by the Honourable John Z. Vertes, Commissioner

Sessional Paper 286/2012

Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw:

Alberta Hansard transcript, pages 277-278, dated April 28, 2008

Sessional Paper 287/2012

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Denis, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General:

Alberta Human Rights Commission, Annual Report 2011-12

Sessional Paper 288/2012

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Khan, Minister of Enterprise and Advanced Education, pursuant to the Regulated Accounting Profession Act, cR-12, s25(2):

Certified General Accountants' Association of Alberta, Annual Report 2012 Sessional Paper 289/2012

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 2 Responsible Energy Development Act — Hon Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hughes

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Denis, Deputy Government House Leader, 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 Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 31

Bhardwaj	Horner	Pastoor
Calahasen	Hughes	Quest
Campbell	Jansen	Rodney
Cao	Jeneroux	Sandhu
DeLong	Johnson (Calgary-Glenmore)	Scott
Denis	Kennedy-Glans	VanderBurg
Dorward	Kubinec	Weadick
Drysdale	Lemke	Webber
Fawcett	Oberle	Wilson
Fenske	Olesen	Woo-Paw
Goudreau		

Against the motion: 9

Barnes	McAllister	Saskiw
Bilous	Pedersen	Stier
Donovan	Rowe	Strankman

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 2 Responsible Energy Development Act — Hon. Mr. Hughes

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Denis, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2012 — 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 8 Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2012 — Hon. Mr. Hughes

Mr. Anglin, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre, moved that the Bill be amended by striking out section 4 and substituting the following:

- 4. Section 41.3 is amended
 - (a) by striking out "and an order under section 41.1(1)";
 - (b) by renumbering section 41.3 as section 41.2(1);
 - (c) by adding the following after subsection (1):

(2) An application made under subsection (1) must include the following:

(a) a technical and economic cost benefit analysis with a comparison of alternatives that could improve economic and technical efficiencies;

(b) a description of the rationale, including the assumptions and supporting data on which the rationale is based, supporting the nature of the preparatory operations and estimates of the total cost to ratepayers;

(c) an assessment of current transmission system capability;

(d) the planning criteria used for the assessment of transmission system capability;

(e) a forecast for at least 20 years of the load on the interconnected electric system;

(f) a forecast for at least 20 years of generation capacity and appropriate reserves required to meet the forecast load; and

(g) the studies and analyses performed in identifying the timing affecting or that will affect the economic and technical efficiencies of the proposed transmission line.

Mr. Saskiw, 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 question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Rogers at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 6

Anglin	Kang	Stier
Eggen	Saskiw	Strankman

Against the amendment: 32

Amery	Hughes	Olson
Bhullar	Jansen	Pastoor
Campbell	Jeneroux	Quadri
Cao	Johnson (Calgary-Glenmore)	Rodney
Casey	Kennedy-Glans	Sandhu
Cusanelli	Khan	Sarich
DeLong	Lemke	Weadick
Dorward	Luan	Webber
Drysdale	McDonald	Woo-Paw
Fawcett	McIver	Young
Fraser	Olesen	

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 8 Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2012 — Hon. Mr. Hughes

Ms Kennedy-Glans, 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 8 (A2) (Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 290/2012

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 8 Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2012 — Hon. Mr. Hughes

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:46 p.m. until Thursday, November 22, 2012, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Gene Zwozdesky, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, November 21, 2012