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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Monday, April 22, 2013

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Webber, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills, made a statement recognizing April 21 to 27, 2013, as Human Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week.

Mr. McAllister, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, made a statement regarding the dangers of travelling on Highway 8 and requesting Government action to address safety concerns.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, made a statement recognizing 11 Juno Award nominees from Alberta.

Mr. Luan, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hawkwood, made a statement regarding the importance of programs and supports for seniors.

Mr. Lemke, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the importance of Alberta's agricultural sector.

Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, made a statement regarding the plan presented by the Alberta Liberals during the election campaign in 2012.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner:

2 recent letters from Craig Jensen and David Wright, Johnson's Taber Drugs, and Dennis Strong, Wood's Dispensary, to Dianne Balon, Alberta Blue Cross, regarding the submission of claims on behalf of plan participants for pharmaceutical services

Sessional Paper 691/2012-13

Document dated April 11, 2013, entitled "Provincial Budget Affects Village Residents," prepared by the Village of Stirling Council

Sessional Paper 692/2012-13

Email message dated April 19, 2013, from Rita Lyster, Rita's Apothecary and Home Healthcare Ltd., Barrhead, to several Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concern regarding the Government's proposed 2013 budget cuts and how they will affect her pharmacy

Sessional Paper 693/2012-13

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Letter dated September 6, 2011, from Hon. Ms Redford, Premier, to John Schmal, Vice President, Public Relations, Coalition of Seniors' Advocates Association, regarding pharmacare for Alberta seniors, relating to comments made by Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, during Oral Question Period on April 22, 2013

Sessional Paper 694/2012-13

Letter dated March 19, 2012, from Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, to John Schmal regarding the Government maintaining existing pharmacare benefits for Alberta seniors

Sessional Paper 695/2012-13

50 email messages dated March 16, 2013, to Hon. Ms Redford, Premier, expressing opposition to the closure of Michener Centre

Sessional Paper 696 /2012-13

3 email messages to petition@albertandp.ca regarding the 2013 provincial budget

Sessional Paper 697/2012-13

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Email message dated April 22, 2013, from Tyler Peterson of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding post-secondary education funding cuts and their impact on staff and research

Sessional Paper 698/2012-13

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

Calgary Herald website article dated April 20, 2013, entitled "Braid: Leadership review no trivial pursuit," relating to comments made by Dr. Sherman during Oral Question Period on April 22, 2013

Sessional Paper 699/2012-13

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

Report, undated, entitled "Enabling 21st Century Learning," prepared by the Alberta Distance Learning Centre

Sessional Paper 700/2012-13

Email message dated February 11, 2013, from Chris Carter of Edmonton to Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, regarding Alberta medical schools admissions

Sessional Paper 701/2012-13

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

Letter dated April 22, 2013, from Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, to Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Human Services, responding to Hon. Mr. Hancock's letter dated April 17, 2013, to Dr. Swann regarding child poverty in Alberta

Sessional Paper 702/2012-13

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hughes, Minister of Energy:

Return to Order of the Assembly Motion for Return MR1, asked for by Mr. Hehr on March 18, 2013:

Copies of all correspondence between Bruce Power and the Government regarding proposals for nuclear power in Alberta for the period between January 1, 2006, and February 20, 2011.

Sessional Paper 703/2012-13

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

WQ34. Asked for by Mr. McAllister:

What was the total amount that school boards in Alberta charged in mandatory school fees in each of the school years from 2007-2008 to 2011-2012, and how much did each individual board charge?

WQ35. Asked for by Mr. McAllister:

What are the criteria currently used by the Ministry of Education to determine where new schools are constructed?

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

On motion by Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, the following Bill was referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, pursuant to Standing Order 74.1(1):

Bill 204 Irlen Syndrome Testing Act — Mrs. Jablonski

On motion by Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, the following Bill was referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, pursuant to Standing Order 74.1(1):

Bill 205 Fisheries (Alberta) Amendment Act, 2012 — Ms Calahasen

Second Reading

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

Bill 203 Employment Standards (Compassionate Care Leave) Amendment Act, 2012 — Mr. Jeneroux

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to call it 5:00 p.m. and begin consideration of Motions Other Than Government Motions.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

509. Moved by Ms Jansen:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a working group to review whether adequate policies are in place for urban communities with regard to oil and gas development.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 29 agreed to by the Assembly on April 11, 2013, that the Assembly reconvene at 9:30 p.m. in Committee of Supply, and on motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:45 p.m. and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2013 — 9:30 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

Mr. Amery, 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 2013-2014 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Agriculture and Rural Development, Enterprise and Advanced Education, Executive Council, Infrastructure, International and Intergovernmental Relations, and Tourism, Parks, and Recreation.

Mr. Amery then presented proposed amendments to the 2013-2014 estimates for the Ministries of Enterprise and Advanced Education, Executive Council, Infrastructure, and Tourism, Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Amery also tabled copies of a document tabled by Hon. Mr. Dallas, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, during consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations for the official records of the Assembly:

Document entitled "Future Performance Measures, International and Intergovernmental Relations"

Sessional Paper 704/2012-13

Ms Kennedy-Glans, Acting 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 2013-2014 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Culture, Education, Health, Human Services, Justice and Solicitor General, and Service Alberta.

Ms Kennedy-Glans then presented proposed amendments to the 2013-2014 estimates for the Ministries of Education, Health, Human Services, and Service Alberta.

Ms Kennedy-Glans, 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 2013-2014 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Aboriginal Relations, Energy, Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, Municipal Affairs, Transportation, and Treasury Board and Finance.

Ms Kennedy-Glans then presented proposed amendments to the 2013-2014 estimates for the Ministries of Energy, Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, Municipal Affairs, Treasury Board and Finance, and Transportation.

Ms Kennedy-Glans also tabled copies of a document tabled by Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, during consideration of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation for the official records of the Assembly:

Document entitled "Highway Projects Dropped from the 2013-2016 Construction Schedule"

Sessional Paper 705/2012-13

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.03(1)(a), the following amendments were voted on:

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (A1) (Hon. Member for Little Bow) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 706/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Culture (A2) (Hon. Member for Medicine Hat) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 707/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Education (A3) (Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 708/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Energy (A4) (Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 709 /2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Enterprise and Advanced Education (A5) (Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 710/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development (A6) (Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 711/2012-13

During consideration of the 2013-14 Main Estimates, Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, moved that the estimates for Executive Council be reduced as follows:

- a) for Public Affairs Corporate Services under reference 2.1 at page 110 by \$1,437,000; and,
- b) for Public Affairs Corporate Communications under reference 2.2 at page 110 by \$8,563,000

so that the amount to be voted at page 109 for Operational is \$38,430,000.

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

For the amendment: 23

Anderson	Fox	Sherman
Anglin	Hale	Smith
Barnes	Hehr	Stier
Bikman	Kang	Strankman
Bilous	McAllister	Swann
Blakeman	Pedersen	Towle
Donovan	Rowe	Wilson
Eggen	Saskiw	

Against amendment: 44

Allen	Fritz	Lemke
Amery	Goudreau	Leskiw
Bhardwaj	Griffiths	McDonald
Calahasen	Hancock	Oberle
Campbell	Horner	Olesen
Cao	Hughes	Pastoor
Casey	Jablonski	Quadri
Cusanelli	Jansen	Sandhu
Dallas	Jeneroux	Sarich
Denis	Johnson (Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater)	Scott
Dorward	Johnson (Calgary-Glenmore)	Starke
Drysdale	Kennedy-Glans	VanderBurg
Fawcett	Khan	Weadick
Fenske	Klimchuk	Xiao
Fraser	Kubinec	

Amendment to the Main Estimates for Executive Council (A7) (Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 712/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Health (A8) (Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 713 /2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Human Services (A9) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 714/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Infrastructure (A10) (Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 715/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs (A11) (Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 716/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Service Alberta (A12)
(Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 717/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Tourism, Parks and
Recreation (A13) (Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 718/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Transportation (A14)
(Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 719/2012-13

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Treasury Board and
Finance (A15) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 720/2012-13

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and
Mr. Amery reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of
the 2013-14 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, 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, 2014, for the departments and purposes
indicated:

Support to the Legislative Assembly	\$71,421,000
Office of the Auditor General	\$26,635,000
Office of the Ombudsman	\$3,359,000
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	\$5,683,000
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	\$967,000
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	\$6,867,000
Office of the Child and Youth Advocate	\$12,224,000
Office of the Public Interest Commissioner	\$1,460,000
Aboriginal Relations	
Operational	\$166,965,000
Capital	\$25,000
Agriculture and Rural Development	
Operational	\$559,560,000
Capital	\$24,196,000

Culture	
Operational	\$141,155,000
Capital	\$53,100,000
Financial Transactions	\$2,243,000
Education	
Operational	\$4,016,257,000
Capital	\$505,235,000
Financial Transactions	\$21,899,000
Energy	
Operational	\$232,083,000
Capital	\$6,315,000
Financial Transactions	\$30,500,000
Enterprise and Advanced Education	
Operational	\$2,593,525,000
Capital	\$68,347,000
Financial Transactions	\$425,000,000
Environment and Sustainable Resource Development	
Operational	\$461,318,000
Capital	\$65,916,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,410,000
Executive Council	
Operational	\$48,430,000
Health	
Operational	\$17,020,489,000
Capital	\$104,450,000
Financial Transactions	\$50,226,000
Human Services	
Operational	\$4,239,645,000
Capital	\$9,442,000
Infrastructure	
Operational	\$507,370,000
Capital	\$783,525,000
Financial Transactions	\$52,000,000
International and Intergovernmental Relations	
Operational	\$37,144,000
Capital	\$25,000
Justice and Solicitor General	
Operational	\$1,193,526,000
Capital	\$87,412,000
Municipal Affairs	
Operational	\$409,338,000
Capital	\$855,740,000

Service Alberta	
Operational	\$302,318,000
Capital	\$40,524,000
Financial Transactions	\$8,750,000
Tourism, Parks and Recreation	
Operational	\$154,358,000
Capital	\$18,812,000
Transportation	
Operational	\$478,126,000
Capital	\$1,935,408,000
Financial Transactions	\$63,914,000
Treasury Board and Finance	
Operational	\$131,305,000
Capital	\$2,853,000
Financial Transactions	\$20,125,000
Lottery Fund Transfer	\$1,485,671,000

Mr. Amery 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 His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 20 Appropriation Act, 2013 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 14 RCMP Health Coverage Statutes Amendment Act, 2013 — Hon. Mr. VanderBurg

Government Motions

31. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that:

1. A Select Special Chief Electoral Officer Search Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed, consisting of the following Members, namely:

Rogers (Chair)	Eggen	Leskiw
Quadri (Deputy Chair)	Goudreau	McDonald
Blakeman	Lemke	Saskiw

for the purpose of inviting applications for the position of Chief Electoral Officer and to recommend to the Assembly the applicant it considers most suitable to this position.

2. 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.
3. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of members of the public service employed in that department, and of the staff employed by the Assembly.
4. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued.
5. When its work has been completed, the Committee shall report to the Assembly if it is sitting; during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued, the Committee may release its report by depositing a copy with the Clerk and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:20 p.m. until Tuesday, April 23, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky,
Speaker

Title: Monday, April 22, 2013