



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Thursday, May 9, 2013

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

Members' Statements

Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Northern Alberta Development Council.

Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, made a statement recognizing Mother's Day on May 12, 2013, and proposing affordable child care so mothers can return to work.

Mr. Jeneroux, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South West, made a statement recognizing May 9, 2013, as World Catholic Education Day.

Mr. Casey, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement recognizing the role of tourism as an economic generator and potential industry in Alberta.

Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding potential funding cuts to the early childhood education diploma course at Lethbridge College.

Mr. Khan, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding the importance of the Government's 10 international offices.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Olesen, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, presented a petition from 225 Albertans urging the Government to introduce legislation that will require all drivers and passengers of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) to wear Canadian Standards Association (CSA) approved helmets while operating an ATV.

Notices of Motions

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

Be it resolved that Bill 207, Human Tissue and Organ Donation Amendment Act, 2013, be moved to Government Bills and Orders on the Order Paper.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Drysdale, Minister of Infrastructure, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Bhullar, Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Vital Statistics Act, cV-4.1, s64:

Alberta Vital Statistics, Annual Review 2011
Sessional Paper 816/2012-13

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview:

Letter dated April 17, 2013, from Jean Bauman of Lethbridge to Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Human Services, expressing concern regarding funding cuts which will affect her developmentally disabled daughter
Sessional Paper 817/2012-13

Letter dated April 17, 2013, from Petra Roberts of Lethbridge to Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, expressing concern regarding changes to the Persons with Developmental Disabilities program
Sessional Paper 818/2012-13

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

Letter dated April 25, 2013, from Grand Chief Craig Makinaw, Confederacy of Treaty 6 First Nations, to Stan Rutwind, Assistant Deputy Minister, Aboriginal Relations, expressing comments and concerns regarding the Government's policy on consultation with First Nations on land and natural resource management
Sessional Paper 819/2012-13

Document entitled "Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations Grand Chief's Speaking Points on the Consultation Policy"
Sessional Paper 820/2012-13

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

Letter dated April 28, 2013, from Joni and Brad Stenning of San Jose, California, to Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, expressing concern regarding funding cuts to the Persons with Developmental Disabilities program and how those cuts will affect their developmentally disabled brother

Sessional Paper 821/2012-13

Email message dated April 17, 2013, from Gary Simpson of Edmonton to Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, expressing concern regarding funding cuts to the Alberta Distance Learning Centre

Sessional Paper 822/2012-13

Email message dated April 25, 2013, from Tammy Johnson of Airdrie to Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, and Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie, expressing concern regarding funding cuts to community programs for persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 823/2012-13

Email message dated May 5, 2013, from Barb Kerley of Calgary to Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, expressing concern regarding the possible implementation of an income-based drug plan for Alberta seniors

Sessional Paper 824/2012-13

Email message dated April 24, 2013, from Jason Walker of Calgary to Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, regarding funding cuts to the Persons with Developmental Disabilities program and attaching a copy of a letter he wrote to Hon. Ms Woo-Paw, Associate Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations

Sessional Paper 825/2012-13

Letter, undated, from Ben Graham of Calgary to Members of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta expressing concern regarding funding cuts to the Persons with Developmental Disabilities program

Sessional Paper 826/2012-13

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

Email message dated May 8, 2013, from Gary, Susan, and Chris Marshall to Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, expressing concern regarding funding cuts to the Persons with Developmental Disabilities program and how they will affect their developmentally disabled family member

Sessional Paper 827/2012-13

Letter dated May 6, 2013, from Brad Sabey, Principal, Magrath Elementary School, to Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, expressing support for the Southern Alberta Society for the Handicapped school hot lunch program and concern about potential funding cuts to the program

Sessional Paper 828/2012-13

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Human Services:

Response to Written Question WQ37, asked for by Mr. Wilson on May 6, 2013:

What steps are being taken by the Minister of Human Services, and what steps were taken by the previous Ministers of Children and Youth Services, to complete the recommendations that were made in the 2006-2007 Annual Report of the Auditor General of Alberta?

Sessional Paper 829/2012-13

Response to Written Question WQ39, asked for by Mr. Wilson on May 6, 2013:

What are the cost implications, on a fiscal year basis, to extend Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped benefits, to those currently receiving benefits, beyond the age of 65?

Sessional Paper 830/2012-13

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Letter dated May 2, 2013, from Sheila-Marie Cook, Executive Director, Health Services Preferential Access Inquiry, to Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, regarding Ms Smith's request for an extension to the inquiry's current timeline and mandate, relating to comments made by Ms Smith in Oral Question Period on May 9, 2013

Sessional Paper 831/2012-13

Letter dated May 7, 2013, from Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, to Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, regarding the continuing care needs of Americo and Alberta Brazzoni

Sessional Paper 832/2012-13

Letter, undated, from Debbie Boyle to Mr. Hinman regarding changes to the Alberta Drug Benefit List and the role of pharmacists as part of the health care team

Sessional Paper 833/2012-13

Letter dated January 18, 2013, from A. Paterson, Professor, Department of Medicine and Oncology, University of Calgary, to Dr. Douglas Perry regarding the Alberta Health Technology review of Oncotype DX breast cancer assay

Sessional Paper 834/2012-13

Alberta Doctors' Digest article dated March-April 2013 entitled "Please wait while Frankenhealth rises"

Sessional Paper 835/2012-13

Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek:

Excerpt from the Alberta Health Services Infrastructure Capital Submission 2013/14 to 2017/18 regarding the Foothills Medical Centre kitchen renovation project

Sessional Paper 836/2012-13

Mrs. Towle, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, on behalf of Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw:

CBC news website article dated May 2, 2013, entitled "Calgary crowd vents about disability program cuts," relating to comments made by Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, during Oral Question Period on May 9, 2013

Sessional Paper 837/2012-13

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Email message dated May 8, 2013, from the Alberta Council of Disability Services to its members regarding budget reductions, relating to comments made by Ms Notley during Oral Question Period on May 9, 2013

Sessional Paper 838/2012-13

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

Memorandum dated May 8, 2013, from Mr. Jeneroux, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South West, to Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting early consideration for Bill 203, Employment Standards (Compassionate Care Leave) Amendment Act, 2012, to proceed to Third Reading directly after Committee of the Whole on May 13, 2013

Sessional Paper 839/2012-13

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Griffiths, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Response to Written Question WQ4 asked for by Mr. Barnes on December 3, 2012:

Have all of the applications to the 2010 Southern Alberta Disaster Recovery Program and the 2010 Spring South Eastern Alberta Disaster Recovery Program been finalized, and how long did it take applicants to receive a first assistance payment once they provided all required information?

Sessional Paper 840/2012-13

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health:

Response to Written Question WQ11, asked for by Mrs. Forsyth on December 3, 2012:

Which physicians, psychiatrists, or pharmacists were consulted on the Creating Connections: Alberta's Addiction and Mental Health Strategy dated September 2011?

Sessional Paper 841/2012-13

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Bhullar, Minister of Service Alberta:

Response to Written Question WQ12, asked for by Mr. Fox on December 3, 2012:

What are the criteria for determining the location of new registry offices in Alberta and do the communities of Blackfalds, Chestermere, and Redcliff meet these criteria?

Sessional Paper 842/2012-13

Response to Written Question WQ13, asked for by Mr. Pedersen on December 3, 2012:

What Government of Alberta infrastructure projects are currently scheduled for Medicine Hat, and what are the projected costs and completion dates for each infrastructure project?

Sessional Paper 843/2012-13

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 24 Statutes Amendment Act, 2013 — Hon. Mr. Bhullar

Second Reading

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

Bill 22 Aboriginal Consultation Levy Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Campbell

A debate followed.

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, moved that the motion be amended by striking out all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 22, Aboriginal Consultation Levy 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.

Debate adjourned on the amendment.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, May 13, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 9, 2013