

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 58

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

First Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

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

Hon. Mr. Denis, Deputy 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, should it be necessary.

## **Members' Statements**

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement providing a Wildrose retrospective of the current session of the Legislature.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding the New Democrat's role to hold the Government accountable during the current session of the Legislature.

Ms Kennedy-Glans, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding innovation initiatives in the constituency of Calgary-Varsity and the importance to society of science.

Ms Fenske, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement recognizing May 2013 as Food Allergy Awareness month.

Mrs. Sarich, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement recognizing the 30th anniversary and ongoing contributions of the Filipino Senior Citizens Association of Edmonton.

Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding Government business grants.

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. McAllister, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, presented a petition from over 1,600 Albertans urging the Government to phase in the increase in the education property tax caused by the cessation of the education property tax mitigation program in equal increments over a period of four or more years to lessen the financial impact on residents of the affected communities.

# **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Human Services, pursuant to the Premier's Council on Alberta's Promise Act, cP-20.5, s7(2):

Premier's Council on Alberta's Promise, Annual Report 2012

Sessional Paper 899/2012-13

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

Copy of a petition signed by 89 Albertans urging the Government to refrain from reallocating the estimated \$42 million from the Persons with Developmental Disabilities Community Access Program into other government budgets as it will create substantial financial and personal hardships for both clients and service providers

Sessional Paper 900/2012-13

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

Letter, undated, from Linda Canniff of Lethbridge to Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Human Services, expressing concern regarding funding cuts to the Community Access Program for persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 901/2012-13

Copy of a petition signed by 1,377 Albertans urging the Government to increase post-secondary education funding that will exceed the 2011-2012 budget

Sessional Paper 902/2012-13

Copy of a petition signed by 113 Albertans urging the Government to introduce legislation that amends the Workers Compensation Act to allow for physicians to advocate for the injured worker to receive compensation, with medical reports that answer to the cause of the workplace injury/incident in a timely manner and to protect doctors who give medical evidence and treatment needed to the injured worker

Sessional Paper 903/2012-13

Letter dated April 22, 2013, from Kerry Sonnenberg of Lethbridge to Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Human Services, expressing concern regarding funding cuts to the Community Access Program for persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 904/2012-13

#### Mr. Saskiw, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills:

Copy of a petition signed by 257 Albertans regarding the closure of acute care beds in Elk Point

Sessional Paper 905/2012-13

68 letters, undated, from Albertans to Mr. Saskiw, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, expressing concern regarding how funding cuts will affect the care and service that pharmacists can provide

Sessional Paper 906/2012-13

#### Mrs. Towle, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake:

Copy of a petition signed by over 3,700 Albertans urging the Government to keep Michener Centre in Red Deer open for the vulnerable Albertans with severe developmental disabilities who have called Michener home for decades, which would allow them to live out their lives with peace, dignity and stability

Sessional Paper 907/2012-13

Page 9 from a document entitled "The Progressive Conservative Party of Alberta Election Platform 2012," relating to comments made by Mrs. Towle during Oral Question Period on May 15, 2013

Sessional Paper 908/2012-13

Excerpt from the Alberta Health Services Infrastructure Capital Submission 2013/14-2017/18 entitled "Appendix VI: Detailed Capital Submission for Seniors Care Facilities Across Alberta to 2017/18," relating to comments made by Mrs. Towle during Oral Question Period on May 15, 2013

Sessional Paper 909/2012-13

#### Mr. Hale, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks:

Letter, undated, from Pat Whyte of Brooks to Mr. Hale, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, expressing concern regarding funding cuts to the Community Access Program for persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 910/2012-13

12 letters, undated, from Albertans expressing concerns regarding funding cuts to the Community Access Program for persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 911/2012-13

#### Mr. Dorward, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

88 postcards, undated, from Albertans to Hon. Ms Redford, Premier, requesting that the Government restore the \$42 million back into services for persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 912/2012-13

# Speaker's Statement - Pages of the Assembly

The Speaker made a statement recognizing the Pages who would not be returning for the next sitting of the Legislature and read a letter from the departing Pages. The Deputy Speaker then made some remarks, and on behalf of the Speaker and Members the Deputy Chair of Committees presented the Pages with a gift.

# ORDERS OF THE DAY

## **Government Bills and Orders/Private Bills**

## **Third Reading**

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

Bill 26 Assurance for Students Act — Hon. Mr. Johnson

A debate followed.

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: 44

McDonald Fraser Amery Anglin Fritz McIver Barnes Goudreau Oberle Bhardwaj Hale Pastoor Bhullar Horne Ouadri Bikman Jablonski Quest Brown Jansen Rowe Calahasen Johnson (Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater) Sarich Campbell  $Johnson \ {\scriptstyle (Calgary\text{-}Glenmore)}$ Scott Cao Kennedy-Glans Smith Cusanelli Khan Swann Donovan Klimchuk Towle Dorward Lemke Webber Fawcett Luan Wilson Fenske McAllister

Against the motion: 4

Bilous Mason Notley

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Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to reduce the interval between division bells to one minute.

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

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

A debate followed.

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

Bill 22, Aboriginal Consultation Levy Act (\$), be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 15

AnglinEggenSaskiwBarnesMcAllisterSmithBikmanNotleySwannBilousPedersenTowleDonovanRoweWilson

Against the amendment: 36

Amery Fraser McDonald Bhardwai Fritz McIver Bhullar Goudreau Oberle Brown Horne **Pastoor** Calahasen Jansen Ouadri  $Johnson \; \hbox{\scriptsize (Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater)} \;\; Quest$ Campbell Cao Johnson (Calgary-Glenmore) Sarich Casey Kennedy-Glans Scott Cusanelli Khan VanderBurg Dorward Klimchuk Webber Fawcett Lemke Woo-Paw Fenske Xiao Luan

The question for Third Reading of Bill 22, Aboriginal Consultation Levy Act (\$), being immediately 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: 36

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Against the motion: 15

AnglinEggenSaskiwBarnesMcAllisterSmithBikmanNotleySwannBilousPedersenTowleDonovanRoweWilson

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 22 Aboriginal Consultation Levy Act (\$) Hon. Mr. Campbell
- Bill 26 Assurance for Students Act Hon. Mr. Johnson
- Bill Pr1 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Canada Act Mr. Dorward
- Bill Pr2 Wild Rose Agricultural Producers Amendment Act, 2013 Mr. McDonald

# Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 32 agreed to on May 8, 2013, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 5:51 p.m. until Monday, October 28, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 15, 2013