

No. 71

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Monday, November 25, 2013

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

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.

Members' Statements

Mr. Khan, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement recognizing the achievements of brothers Ben and Grant Kurtz, who both live with severe autism.

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement regarding deaths of children while in Government care and asking for a public inquiry.

Ms Kennedy-Glans, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding the white ribbon campaign in recognition of the importance of eliminating violence against women.

Mr. McDonald, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, made a statement regarding the Retail Market Review Committee and its implementation team comprised of Members of the Legislative Assembly created to ensure Albertans are paying fair electricity prices.

Mr. Dorward, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement recognizing faculty and students at Kings University College whose work contributed to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, which was recently honoured with the 2013 Nobel Peace Prize.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the concealment of deaths of children in Government care and public trust in the Government.

Notices of Motions

Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the need to immediately identify the actual number of deaths of children in care that have occurred since 1999, the implementation status of recommendations that have been made to prevent deaths in that time, the reasons for the secrecy surrounding this issue, and the steps that can be taken immediately to improve the protection of children currently in the care of the Government.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Oberle, Associate Minister of Services for Persons with Disabilities:

Series of email messages from Chris Henderson and Catrin Owen of Calder Bateman Communications to Brenda Lee Doyle regarding a set of principles for the transition of Michener Centre residents to long term care or supported living

Sessional Paper 1154/2012-13

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North:

Petition signed by 117 Albertans urging the Government to take the necessary measures, including the introduction of proposed amendments to existing legislation, to ensure the preservation and enhancement of the Pheasant Release Program, which has been an important part of Alberta's hunting tradition, heritage and culture for over 65 years

Sessional Paper 1155/2012-13

Petition signed by 615 Albertans urging the Government to introduce a Bill which will preserve Albertans' 65-year investment in the pheasant rearing, release and hunting of pheasants program such that it maintains and enhances our hunting culture and heritage through the program's support by the Departments of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development; Tourism, Park and Recreation; Agriculture and Rural Development; and Culture and Community Spirit (for a fair share of province-wide lottery profits)

Sessional Paper 1156/2012-13

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder:

100 handwritten postcards and notes, several sent from the Coalition for Action on Post-Secondary Education, expressing opposition to post-secondary education funding cuts

Sessional Paper 1157/2012-13

Series of email messages from Chris Henderson and Catrin Owen of Calder Bateman Communications to Brenda Lee Doyle regarding a set of principles for the transition of Michener Centre residents to long term care or supported living

Sessional Paper 1158/2012-13

Letter, undated, unaddressed, from Jeannine Goodrich of Wetaskiwin regarding

the closing of Michener Centre and the effects it will have on her developmentally disabled son

Sessional Paper 1159/2012-13

Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health:

Report, undated, entitled "The Way Forward, Alberta's Multiple Sclerosis Partnership," prepared by the Alberta Government

Sessional Paper 1160/2012-13

Reprint of a Brooks and County Chronicle article, undated, entitled "No basis here for Wildrose ambulance response complaints"

Sessional Paper 1161/2012-13

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

RedDeerAdvocate.com website article dated July 11, 2013, entitled "Long-term care policy worries caregiver"

Sessional Paper 1162/2012-13

RedDeerAdvocate.com website article dated October 2, 2013, entitled "Where are the beds for seniors?"

Sessional Paper 1163/2012-13

Speaker's Statement - Members' Anniversaries

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of the 20th anniversary of the election of four Members of the Legislative Assembly who were elected to the Legislative Assembly on June 15, 1993. Mr. Amery, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, and Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek, each received a 20-year Mace pin.

Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the need to immediately identify the actual number of deaths of children in care that have occurred since 1999, the implementation status of recommendations that have been made to prevent deaths in that time, the reasons for the secrecy surrounding this issue, and the steps that can be taken immediately to improve the protection of children currently in the care of the Government.

A debate followed on urgency.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was not in order.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Question was accepted:

WQ44. Asked for by Mr. Pedersen:

What is the amount of revenue collected by Alberta Film Classification for the fiscal years April 1, 2010, to March 31, 2011; April 1, 2011, to March 31, 2012; and April 1, 2012, to March 31, 2013?

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 206 Tobacco Reduction (Flavoured Tobacco Products) Amendment Act, 2013

— Ms Cusanelli

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: 43

Allen Forsyth McQueen Goudreau Oberle Amery Bhardwaj Hancock Olesen Bilous Horne Pastoor Brown Horner Ouadri Campbell Hughes Quest Cao Jeneroux Rodney Casey Johnson (Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater) Sarich Cusanelli Starke Johnson (Calgary-Glenmore) Dallas Kennedy-Glans Stier DeLong Khan Swann Dorward Kubinec Towle Drysdale Luan VanderBurg

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Against the motion: 3

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The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 206 Tobacco Reduction (Flavoured Tobacco Products) Amendment Act, 2013 - Ms Cusanelli

Second Reading

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

Bill 208 Seniors' Advocate Act — Mrs. Towle

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mrs. Forsyth speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

516. Moved by Mr. Jeneroux:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the feasibility of providing funding for preliminary work on school playgrounds, such as drainage, and for basic playground equipment, such as a swing or a slide, as part of the capital funding for any new school facilities that include grade levels from kindergarten to Grade 6.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:55 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2013 — 7:30 P.M.

Message From His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following budget-related document, pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s8(1):

2013-14 Supplementary Supply Estimates, General Revenue Fund Sessional Paper 1164/2012-13

Government Motions

43. Moved by Hon. Mr. Horner:

Be it resolved that the Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2013-14 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

44. Moved by Hon. Mr. Horner:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 61(2), the Committee of Supply shall be called to consider the 2013-14 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund for three hours on Tuesday, November 26, 2013.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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 Bills were reported:

- Bill 32 Enhancing Safety on Alberta Roads Act Hon. Mr. McIver
- Bill 33 Tobacco Reduction Amendment Act, 2013 Hon. Mr. Rodney

Mr. McDonald, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 33 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 1165/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 33 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview) — Defeated Sessional Paper 1166/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 32 (A1) (Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 1167/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 32 (A2) (Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 1168/2012-13

Third Reading

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

Bill 27 Flood Recovery and Reconstruction Act — Hon. Mr. Weadick on behalf of Hon. Mr. Griffiths

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Campbell moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 34 Building New Petroleum Markets Act (\$) Hon. Mr. Hughes
- Bill 37 Statutes Repeal Act (\$) Hon. Mr. Denis
- Bill 38 Statutes Amendment Act, 2013 (No. 2) (\$) Hon. Mr. Denis
- Bill 43 Alberta Economic Development Authority Amendment Act, 2013 Hon. Mr. Lukaszuk

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:05 p.m. until Tuesday, November 26, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky, Speaker

Title: Monday, November 25, 2013