



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Wednesday, April 16, 2014

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

Speaker's Statement – State Funeral for Mr. Jim Flaherty

The Speaker made a statement regarding the state funeral for Mr. Jim Flaherty, former federal Minister of Finance, held on April 16, 2014, and stated that the provincial flags will fly at half-mast in remembrance of Mr. Flaherty.

Members' Statements

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement regarding Alberta Health Services sole-source contracts.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding the Government's proposed changes to public sector employee pension plans.

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement recognizing April 24, 2014, as the 99th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide.

Mr. McDonald, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, made a statement recognizing Teepee Creek School and the Peace Wapiti Public School Division.

Ms Kennedy-Glans, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding the murder of five University of Calgary students in the constituency of Calgary-Varsity on April 15, 2014.

Mr. Stier, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding the Ministry of Transportation budget and the Ministry's inability to maintain provincial roads and highways and complete projects.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Xiao, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following petitions for Private Bills:

of Dr. Lyle Oberg and Dr. Terrence H. White, directors of Rosebud School of the Arts, for the Rosebud School of the Arts Amendment Act, 2014;

of Patricia Goodwill-Littlechild, Executive Director of Maskwachees Cultural College, and Dennis Calihoo, Legal Counsel for Maskwachees Cultural College, for the Maskwachees Cultural College Amendment Act, 2014.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 9 Public Sector Pension Plans Amendment Act, 2014 — Hon. Mr. Dallas on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horner

Bill 10 Employment Pension (Private Sector) Plans Amendment Act, 2014 — Hon. Mr. Dallas on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horner

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood:

Copy of a petition signed by approximately 2,000 Albertans requesting that the Government of Alberta pass legislation that will ensure any changes to the Local Authorities Pension Plan or the Public Service Pension Plan are the result of negotiations between the Government and affected employees

Sessional Paper 137/2014

Copies of 50 postcards from Albertans to Hon. Mr. Lukaszuk, former Deputy Premier, regarding post-secondary education funding cuts

Sessional Paper 138/2014

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

Master of Cultural Studies dissertation dated November 2011 entitled "So Little Known to Others: Armenianness and the Armenian Diaspora," prepared by Ashley Kalagian Blunt

Sessional Paper 139/2014

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

Alberta Hansard page 1829 dated April 16, 2013, relating to comments made by Dr. Sherman during Oral Question Period on April 16, 2014
Sessional Paper 140/2014

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated February 3, 2014, from Nicole McLellan, Access and Privacy Advisor, Service Alberta, to Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, regarding his request for the release of records regarding the ARTS system and attaching the disclosed records package
Sessional Paper 141/2014

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

News release dated April 15, 2014, entitled "Creating Cleaner Air in Ontario, Province Has Eliminated Coal-Fired Generation," prepared by the Ontario Ministry of Energy
Sessional Paper 142/2014

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated April 7, 2014, from Dr. Sherman, Leader of the Liberal Opposition, to Merwan Saher, Auditor General, requesting an investigation regarding the circumstances surrounding all contracts awarded by the Government of Alberta to Navigator Ltd. since 2008
Sessional Paper 143/2014

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply and the Speaker left the Chair.

(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 2014-2015 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Agriculture and Rural Development, Executive Council, Infrastructure, Innovation and Advanced Education, International and Intergovernmental Relations, Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, and Tourism, Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Amery then presented proposed amendments to the 2014-2015 estimates for the Ministries of Executive Council and International and Intergovernmental Relations.

Ms Olesen, 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 2014-15 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Culture, Education, Health, Human Services, Justice and Solicitor General, and Service Alberta.

Ms Olesen then presented proposed amendments to the 2014-15 estimates for the Ministries of Health, Human Services, and Service Alberta.

Mr. Khan, 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 2014-15 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.

Mr. Khan then presented proposed amendments to the 2014-2015 estimates for the Ministries of Energy and Municipal Affairs.

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

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Energy (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 144/2014

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Executive Council (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 145/2014

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Health (A3) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 146/2014

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Human Services (A4)
(Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 147/2014

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of International and
Intergovernmental Relations (A5) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-
Norwood) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 148/2014

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs (A6)
(Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 149/2014

Amendment to the Main Estimates for the Ministry of Service Alberta (A7)
(Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 150/2014

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and
Dr. Brown reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of
the 2014-15 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, 2015, for the departments and purposes
indicated:

Support to the Legislative Assembly	\$69,415,000
Office of the Auditor General	\$27,300,000
Office of the Ombudsman	\$3,349,000
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	\$6,517,000
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	\$973,000
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	\$6,983,000
Office of the Child and Youth Advocate	\$12,502,000
Office of the Public Interest Commissioner	\$1,274,000
Aboriginal Relations	
Operational	\$205,861,000
Capital	\$25,000
Financial Transactions	\$96,161,000
Agriculture and Rural Development	
Operational	\$632,769,000
Capital	\$28,196,000

Culture	
Operational	\$157,473,000
Capital	\$48,800,000
Financial Transactions	\$2,370,000
Education	
Operational	\$4,238,760,000
Capital	\$666,862,000
Financial Transactions	\$11,924,000
Energy	
Operational	\$427,397,000
Capital	\$6,315,000
Environment and Sustainable Resource Development	
Operational	\$493,777,000
Capital	\$60,082,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,410,000
Executive Council	
Operational	\$48,397,000
Health	
Operational	\$18,247,509,000
Capital	\$111,294,000
Financial Transactions	\$72,500,000
Human Services	
Operational	\$4,088,968,000
Capital	\$6,038,000
Financial Transactions	\$680,000
Infrastructure	
Operational	\$551,042,000
Capital	\$1,143,854,000
Financial Transactions	\$73,150,000
Innovation and Advanced Education	
Operational	\$2,705,983,000
Capital	\$235,572,000
Financial Transactions	\$408,000,000
International and Intergovernmental Relations	
Operational	\$39,410,000
Capital	\$25,000

Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour

Operational	\$166,797,000
Capital	\$660,000

Justice and Solicitor General

Operational	\$1,246,014,000
Capital	\$134,993,000

Municipal Affairs

Operational	\$423,235,000
Capital	\$1,455,444,000
Financial Transactions	\$808,443,000

Service Alberta

Operational	\$295,483,000
Capital	\$49,416,000
Financial Transactions	\$6,400,000

Tourism, Parks and Recreation

Operational	\$170,471,000
Capital	\$29,215,000

Transportation

Operational	\$512,720,000
Capital	\$1,844,728,000
Financial Transactions	\$76,944,000

Treasury Board and Finance

Operational	\$131,369,000
Capital	\$2,853,000
Financial Transactions	\$15,248,000
Lottery Fund Transfer	\$1,485,550,000

Dr. Brown 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 8 Appropriation Act, 2014 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Dallas on behalf of 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 7 Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2014 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 6 New Home Buyer Protection Amendment Act, 2014 — Minister of Municipal Affairs

Bill 7 Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2014 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Mr. Jeneroux, 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 6 (A1) (Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 151/2014

Amendment to Bill 6 (A2) (Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 152/2014

Amendment to Bill 6 (A3) (Hon. Member Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 153/2014

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:36 p.m. until Thursday, April 17, 2014, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 16, 2014