

No. 26

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Wednesday, May 7, 2014

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

Tribute to Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Premier, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education, made a statement recognizing the dedicated service of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood.

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, and Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, commented on the statement.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, responded to the statements and thanked the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, all Members of the Legislative Assembly, the Table Officers, the Pages, and his caucus.

Hon. Mr. Campbell, 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

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement recognizing May 5 to 9, 2014, as World Hunger Awareness Week and the importance of contributing to local food banks.

Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, made a statement regarding families facing increased school fees for their children's education.

Mr. Luan, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hawkwood, made a statement recognizing the opening of Robert Thirsk High School in the Calgary-Hawkwood constituency on May 6, 2014.

Mr. Rogers, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont, made a statement recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Dingman No.1 Discovery Well, which struck oil in Turner Valley on May 14, 1914.

Mr. Casey, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement recognizing May 4 to May 10, 2014, as Emergency Preparedness Week.

Mr. Fox, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding the City of Lacombe and the history of Lacombe, whose main street was dedicated as one of Canada's greatest places by the Canadian Institute of Planners.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Rogers, Chair, Select Special Ethics Commissioner Search Committee, presented the following report:

Select Special Ethics Commissioner Search Committee, Report of the Committee, May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 223/2014

Notices of Motions

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

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the report of the Select Special Ethics Commissioner Search Committee and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that the Honourable Marguerite Trussler, Q.C., be appointed Ethics Commissioner for the Province of Alberta for a five year term commencing May 26, 2014.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

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

Sessional Paper 224/2014

Mr. Rowe, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills:

6 pieces of correspondence regarding constituents who are suffering from Lyme Disease and their struggles to get a diagnosis and treatment in Alberta

Sessional Paper 225/2014

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

News Release dated May 7, 2014, entitled "ATA Launches FOIP Request on Minister Johnson's Task Force," prepared by the Alberta Teachers' Association, relating to comments made by Dr. Sherman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 226/2014

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Document dated September 22, 2008, entitled "Alberta Environment Approvals Program Policy, Environmental Management Division" regarding Policy No. APPC-2008-01, relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 227/2014

Letter dated June 26, 2012, from Amit Banerjee, P.Eng., Regional Approvals Manager, Northern Region, Alberta Environment and Water, to Jennifer Grant, Oil Sands Environmental Coalition, and letter dated July 17, 2012, from Amit Banerjee, P.Eng., Regional Approvals Manager, Northern Region, Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, to Karin Buss, Klimek Buss Bishop Law Group, regarding the Government rejecting their submissions to be considered as a Statement of Concern with respect to the Southern Pacific Resource Corp. McKay Thermal Project – Phase 2 and the Southern Pacific Resource Corp. McKay In-situ Oil Sands Plant, relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 228/2014

Letter dated March 27, 2014, from Kevin Wilkinson, Designated Director under the Act, Regional Approvals Manager, Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, to Jennifer Grant, Oilsands Program Director, Oil Sands Environmental Coalition, regarding the Government rejecting the Oil Sands Environmental Coalition submission to be considered as a Statement of Concern with respect to STP McKay Thermal Project Phase 2 – Southern Pacific Resource Corp., and attaching a document entitled "Alberta Government Decision Statement, Southern Pacific Resource Corp., STP McKay Thermal Project – Phase 2," relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 229/2014

Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta Reasons for Judgment of the Honourable Mr. Justice R.P. Marceau dated October 1, 2013, between Pembina Institute, Fort McMurray Environmental Association, Applicants, and Director, Northern Region, Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resources Development and Southern Pacific Resource Corp, Respondents, relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 230/2014

Briefing Note dated August 12, 2009, regarding Statement of Concern Rejection of Oil Sands Environmental Coalition, relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 231/2014

News Release dated October 3, 2013, entitled "Minister McQueen statement on recent comments by NDP," prepared by the Alberta Government, relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 232/2014

Documents entitled "Appendix A, Template for Statement of Concern Acceptance Letter," "Appendix B, Template for Notification Letter to Project Applicant that Statement of Concern Accepted," "Appendix C, Template for Statement of Concern Rejection Letter," "Appendix D, Template for Statement of Concern Clarification Letter," and "Appendix E, Notice of Decision to Accepted Statement of Concern Filer," relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 233/2014

4 letters from Alberta Environment, Alberta Environment and Water, and Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, to various recipients requesting additional information regarding their submissions to be considered as a Statement of Concern, relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 234/2014

3 letters from Alberta Environment, Alberta Environment and Water, and Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, to various recipients rejecting their submissions to be considered as a Statement of Concern, relating to comments made by Ms Blakeman during Oral Question Period on May 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 235/2014

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

Email message dated May 3, 2014, from Judy Jensen to Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, expressing concern regarding the care of seniors at Linden View

Sessional Paper 236/2014

Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw:

Letter dated March 10, 2014, from Patricia Lovitt, unaddressed, expressing concern regarding the length of time she has been waiting for shoulder surgery and regarding Alberta Health Services

Sessional Paper 237/2014

Tablings to the Clerk

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

Report dated June 2013 entitled "Condominium Property Act Review, Consultation Analysis Report"

Sessional Paper 238/2014

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 a statement, and the Deputy Chair of Committees presented the Pages with a gift.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

13. Moved by Hon. Mr. Campbell:

Be it resolved that the following changes to:

- A. the Standing Committee on Families and Communities be approved:
 - that Mr. Webber replace Mr. VanderBurg;
 - that Mr. Pedersen replace Mrs. Forsyth as Deputy Chair;
 - that Mr. Fox replace Mrs. Forsyth.
- B. the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future be approved: that Ms Kennedy-Glans replace Mr. Dorward.
- C. the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship be approved:
 - that Mr. Cao replace Mr. Webber;
 - that Mr. Hale replace Mr. Anglin as Deputy Chair.
- D. the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be approved: that Mr. Jeneroux replace Ms Fenske.
- E. the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund be approved:
 - that Ms Redford replace Mr. Sandhu.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Campbell, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 39(1) to allow for consideration of Government Motion 14.

14. Oral notice having been given on May 7, 2014, moved by Hon. Mr. Campbell:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the report of the Select Special Ethics Commissioner Search Committee and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that the Honourable Marguerite Trussler, Q.C., be appointed Ethics Commissioner for the Province of Alberta for a five year term commencing May 26, 2014.

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 Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 11 Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Amendment Act, 2014 — Hon. Mr. Bhullar

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 11 (A7) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 239/2014

Amendment to Bill 11 (A8) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 240/2014

Third Reading

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

Bill 12 Statutes Amendment Act, 2014 — Hon. Mr. Campbell

A debate followed.

Ms Notley moved that the motion for Third Reading of Bill 12, Statutes Amendment Act, 2014, be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 12, Statutes Amendment Act, 2014, 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.

The question for Third Reading of Bill 12, Statutes Amendment Act, 2014, being immediately put, the motion was agreed to.

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 11 Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Amendment Act, 2014 Hon. Mr. Bhullar
- Bill 12 Statutes Amendment Act, 2014 Hon. Mr. Campbell

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:50 p.m. until Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 7, 2014