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# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Third Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

## Monday, November 17, 2014

This being the first Day of the Third Session of the Twenty-Eighth Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, for the despatch of business pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour Colonel (Retired) the Honourable Donald S. Ethell, OC, OMM, AOE, MSC, CD, LLD, Lieutenant Governor, dated the 18th day of September in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen;

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly read the Proclamation as follows:

[GREAT SEAL]
CANADA
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

COLONEL (RETIRED) DONALD S. ETHELL, Lieutenant Governor.

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada, and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

### **PROCLAMATION**

TO OUR FAITHFUL, the MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta and to each and every one of you

#### **GREETING**

WHEREAS it is Our will and pleasure by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our Province of Alberta to prorogue the Second Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature of Alberta:

Frank Bosscha, Acting Deputy Attorney General WE DO hereby prorogue, effective September 18, 2014, the said Legislature; and

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient for certain causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta for the Third Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on Monday, the 17th day of November, 2014, at the hour of THREE o'clock in the afternoon, at Our City of Edmonton, personally be and appear, for the despatch of business, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in the Legislature of Our Province of Alberta, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of Alberta to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: COLONEL (RETIRED) THE HONOURABLE DONALD S. ETHELL, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of Alberta, this 18th day of September in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen and in the Sixty-third Year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND:

JONATHAN DENIS, Provincial Secretary.

The Speaker entered the Assembly and took the Chair. After delivering the opening day prayer, he invited Mr. Robert Clark to lead the Members of the Assembly and guests in singing Canada's National Anthem.

### **Introduction of New Members**

The Speaker invited the longest-serving Member of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, to proceed to the main doors of the Chamber and escort Hon. Mr. Prentice into the Chamber.

The Speaker announced that he had received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Calgary-Foothills containing the results of the by-election conducted on October 27, 2014, which states that a by-election was held in the constituency of Calgary-Foothills and that the Honourable Mr. Jim Prentice was duly elected as the Member for Calgary-Foothills.

Hon. Mr. Prentice joined Ms Calahasen and was escorted to the Mace. Ms Calahasen presented Hon. Mr. Prentice to the Speaker and the Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills took his seat in the Assembly.

The Speaker then invited Hon. Mr. Prentice, Premier, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, and Minister of Aboriginal Relations, to proceed to the main doors of the Chamber to escort in the next newly-elected Member.

The Speaker announced that he had also received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Edmonton-Whitemud containing the results of the by-election conducted on October 27, 2014, which states that a by-election was held in the constituency of Edmonton-Whitemud and that the Honourable Mr. Stephen Mandel was duly elected as the Member for Edmonton-Whitemud.

Hon. Mr. Mandel joined the Hon. Premier and was escorted to the Mace. Hon. Mr. Prentice presented Hon. Mr. Mandel to the Speaker and the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud took his seat in the Assembly.

The Speaker announced that he had also received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Calgary-Elbow containing the results of the by-election conducted on October 27, 2014, which states that a by-election was held in the constituency of Calgary-Elbow and that the Honourable Mr. Gordon Dirks was duly elected as the Member for Calgary-Elbow.

Hon. Mr. Dirks joined the Hon. Premier and was escorted to the Mace. Hon. Mr. Prentice presented Hon. Mr. Dirks to the Speaker and the Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow took his seat in the Assembly.

The Speaker then announced that he had also received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Calgary-West containing the results of the by-election conducted on October 27, 2014, which states that a by-election was held in the constituency of Calgary-West and that Mr. Mike Ellis was duly elected as the Member for Calgary-West.

Mr. Ellis joined the Hon. Premier and was escorted to the Mace. Hon. Mr. Prentice presented Mr. Ellis to the Speaker and the Hon. Member for Calgary-West took his seat in the Assembly.

While awaiting the arrival of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the Royal Canadian Artillery Band played a brief musical interlude.

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor entered the Assembly and took his seat on the Throne.

His Honour then read the following Speech from the Throne.

## **Speech From the Throne**

My fellow Albertans, welcome to the Third Session of the 28th Alberta Legislature. It is my honour to deliver the Speech From the Throne as Alberta's Lieutenant Governor.

Today we are in the midst of Metis Week. So I begin with a special greeting to Albertans of Metis descent. I invite all Albertans to learn about and celebrate the many contributions of Metis Albertans to our province.

We come here together to serve the people of Alberta, a province that has been blessed beyond all measure with the gifts of abundant natural resources, rich soil that sustains our agriculture and forestry sectors, and the beautiful forests and prairies, lakes and rivers, mountains and foothills that are our natural heritage.

But we value most what Albertans themselves bring to our province: an entrepreneurial spirit; hard work and innovation; a commitment to excellence; and the ethics of compassion and service to others. All these things make Alberta a place of promise and opportunity like no other.

As the elected representatives of the people of Alberta we - you - all share a great responsibility: to capture that promise and seize the opportunity so that future Albertans, whether they are born here or are among the tens of thousands of newcomers who join our province every year, will have the best quality of life possible.

Ladies and gentlemen, your Government will do exactly this.

Nine weeks ago we put Alberta under new management. Our new Government understands that we will be challenged like never before to balance strong fiscal stewardship and accountability with meeting the needs of a growing province. Today we are home to just over 4 million people. By 2040, in a little more than a generation, we will be home to more than 6 million. The decisions we make in the next five years must lay the foundation for our prosperity and success for today and for all those future Albertans.

This Government is focused on the clear priorities of Albertans, reflecting Albertans' values and ambitions for today while ensuring that a strong foundation is set for future generations. Five key principles underline our efforts: a focused commitment to sound, conservative fiscal principles; ending entitlements and restoring public trust; maximizing the value of our natural resources and respecting property rights; establishing our province as an environmental leader; and lastly, increasing Albertans' quality of life by being a leader in the areas of health, education, seniors' care, and skills training.

We will deliver good, prudent government characterized by accountability and transparency. We will work tirelessly to earn and keep Albertans' trust. We will serve Albertans with the honour and respect they deserve. We will keep our province on a firm fiscal foundation, characterized by balanced budgets, a small cabinet and a small government, low taxes and no sales tax, a responsible program of capital investment, and a disciplined savings plan.

And we will deliver excellence in all the things Albertans want and need: top quality health care; education and skills training; safe, respectful care for our seniors; modern, efficient roads and infrastructure; vibrant cities and inclusive communities; and a clean, healthy environment.

The Government's priorities will be those set by Albertans themselves, and the Government's actions will reflect Albertans' values. We will always remember that we are here to serve the people of this province.

#### A Focused Commitment to Sound, Conservative Fiscal Principles

Albertans rightly expect their Government to use taxpayer dollars wisely and to achieve the best possible outcomes for money spent. This Government will deliver in a manner that is both transparent and accountable to all Albertans.

Our province was built on solid conservative fiscal principles that have served Albertans well. However, a budget tied to volatile energy prices imperils our fiscal resilience over the long term. We must align spending with a realistic assessment of the financial capacity we can sustain responsibly, without risking the prosperity of our children and grandchildren. Your Government will be cautious in budgeting, prudent in spending, and diligent in saving.

At the same time Alberta's tremendous population and economic growth have shown us the peril of failing to maintain what we have and the importance of investing in what we need. To ensure fiscal prudence and discipline, your Government will continue to use conservative revenue forecasts for budget purposes.

The results-based budgeting review will be completed with a focus on more efficient and effective program delivery. The rate of increase on spending for government operations will be kept below the rate of population growth and inflation.

At the same time we will protect what is most important to Albertans. Government will maintain a contingency fund to protect priority programs from revenue volatility and to respond to emergencies like flood mitigation. New emphasis will be placed on better maintaining our assets and on investing to extend the life, use, and cost of what we have.

We will pursue opportunities for more innovative delivery of needed provincial capital infrastructure. We will only borrow for capital purposes, never for operations, and only with a clear debt repayment plan in place. We will introduce a straightforward budget presentation to ensure that Albertans have a clearer understanding of the province's finances and where and how their taxpayer dollars are being used. And we will issue a semi-annual update on Alberta's savings plan to report to the people of Alberta on the performance of their savings.

#### **Ending Entitlements and Restoring the Public Trust**

Public service is a privilege, and the actions of public servants must be guided by this fundamental principle. Your Government pledges to honour the trust Albertans have placed in their elected representatives and respect those it serves in everything we do.

A review has already begun of agencies, boards, and commissions, to ensure they are performing to the maximum benefit of Albertans. New accountability legislation and complementary Treasury Board directives will begin to reshape the legislative framework governing ethical standards and accountability measures for those who serve Albertans. Actions here will strengthen conflict of interest guidelines for political staff, extend cooling-off periods for political staff and senior civil servants, eliminate excessive severance packages for political staff, eliminate sole-sourced contracts in all but exceptional circumstances, and clarify the distinction between the role of registered lobbyists and government consultants.

### Maximizing the Value of our Natural Resources and Respecting Property Rights

Our province's natural resources are the cornerstone of the strongest and best performing economy in Canada. In addition to conventional resources like oil, natural gas, and coal, Alberta is rich in renewable resources, including biomass, wind, hydro, and solar resources. And our natural conditions come together with human ingenuity to make our province a world leader in agricultural production and forestry.

Many people come to Alberta in search of opportunity. And they find it here, in an economy that runs on entrepreneurialism, innovation, and hard work. Albertans are truly global citizens with aspirations and abilities that extend far beyond our province's borders.

But limited access to global markets restricts Alberta's potential and costs Albertans and Canadians billions of dollars every year, limiting our prosperity and ability to control our economic destiny.

Your Government will focus on enhancing market access for all our exports so we can diversify our client base, capture global prices, and open Alberta to the widest range of emerging opportunities.

Alberta will focus its efforts on the Asia Pacific region, which holds the greatest potential for growth in exports. Much focused work has been done here, including through the Asia Advisory Council, which considered opportunities to expand economic, research, education, and cultural opportunities between Alberta and Asia.

There are also emerging opportunities in our traditional market, the United States, and in Europe, where the conclusion of negotiations on the Canada-EU free trade agreement, once ratified, will further open the world's largest market for Alberta's products and services.

Government will develop a focused regional strategy to expand Alberta's presence in key markets, ensure the right supports are in place for exporters, and build the relationships that will underpin long-term, mutually beneficial trade partnerships.

Our success in the 21st century will depend on how well we seize the opportunities that exist in the Asia Pacific region. That is why we will continue to work closely within the New West Partnership, a powerful partnership across British Columbia, Alberta, and Saskatchewan, representing a market of nearly 10 million people and economies worth half a trillion dollars, to drive national focus toward the urgency of ensuring that Canada's market access challenges are addressed.

Yet we have a 20th century export infrastructure preventing Alberta and Canada from realizing its full economic potential. There is a lack of pipeline infrastructure to move energy products to tidewater. There is a shortage of rail capacity to move agriculture, energy, and forest products to export terminals.

Despite sustained advocacy and multiple World Trade Organization rulings in our favour mandatory country-of-origin labelling requirements in the United States continue to be a significant barrier to beef and pork exports into that country.

Your Government will continue to work in partnership with other Canadian provinces, territories, and the federal government. These efforts will include advocating for expanded export and transportation capacity, whether by truck, air, pipeline, or rail, to improve access to all markets, including Atlantic Canada, the west coast, the Gulf coast, and others. Alberta will also seek a fundamental renewal of the pan-Canadian agreement on internal trade in order to achieve a broad, comprehensive agreement that will eliminate trade barriers within our country and create an open, efficient, and stable domestic market.

Alberta is also taking steps to support innovation in the development of new products, including value-added opportunities in the resource sector.

Our province already produces high-quality food products while demonstrating leadership in environmental stewardship, animal welfare, plant health, and food safety.

We will make annual investments to enhance agricultural research and innovation and further develop the food processing industry.

Government has introduced the Rural Economic Development Action Plan and is continuing to implement the Rural Alberta Business Centre to support continued economic growth in rural Alberta.

We are also making investments to support economic growth all over Alberta, beginning with our transportation infrastructure. Every day Albertans rely on our provincial highway network to get them to school and work safely. As a province we also rely on this network to develop our natural resources and get products to market. With over 28,000 kilometres of paved highway and more than 4,000 bridges we know that proper maintenance and renewal is essential to ensuring that Albertans have safe, reliable travel.

In addition to completing major projects like Highway 63 and the ring roads, we must focus more on rehabilitation, intersection improvement, and bridge maintenance and repair, especially across rural Alberta. Investment now means improved safety for the travelling public and less spent replacing aging infrastructure later.

Work continues on the development of a long-term transportation strategy, reflecting public consultations last spring, including the importance of public transit, the need for more free-flow highway corridors, and the desire to reduce our environmental footprint.

Market access, product innovation, and investments in infrastructure are all key elements of a thriving free-market economy. But its foundation must be the recognition and protection of private property.

Private ownership of land is a fundamental and essential principle of our democracy and our economy. This Government respects the property rights of Albertans and has heard the strong recommendations provided through the Property Rights Task Force. The introduction of Bill 1 today will begin to foster a culture of respect by acting on what landowners have told us already. Bill 1 signals the beginning of Government's commitment to rebuild relationships with property owners in Alberta.

Other steps that will be taken to strengthen Alberta's economy include new supports for small businesses and exploring how government can continue to deliver public land titles services in new ways that provide enhanced access for Albertans.

Alberta will also work in partnership with employers, municipalities, and the Government of Canada to integrate labour force strategies that provide durable solutions to the challenges of people without jobs and jobs without people. These will include tackling the mismatch between some of the educational paths Albertans follow and where the jobs are, removing barriers to labour mobility, and recognizing that local, national, and international workers are crucial to the success of our province. We will also continue to provide supports for those who are looking for work or who are underrepresented in the work force, including people with disabilities.

#### Establishing Alberta as an Environmental Leader

If we talk about being a leader in the energy, agriculture, or forestry business, then we are in the environment business. Our customers expect this, and Albertans themselves demand it. Clean air, fresh water, and thriving biodiversity are part of our identity as Albertans and Canadians, something which Alberta shares with visitors from around the world through our exceptional tourism industry.

But we cannot just spread the word on the steps we have already taken. Alberta must take meaningful, effective action to show we are as serious about the environment business as we are about the energy business. This includes ongoing work with stakeholders and industry on the development of a new tailings management framework and taking action to protect the Athabasca River and its neighbouring ecosystems.

Alberta must build on the leadership that made us the first jurisdiction in North America to regulate greenhouse gas emissions and among the first to put a price on carbon. We will bring all parties – industry, environmental groups, aboriginal groups, and all affected Albertans – to the table to find common ground on environmental, economic, and social priorities.

In the year ahead our work will expand through the development of a new climate change framework that will outline strategies to drive emissions reductions. This means moving increasingly towards lower emissions sources, including natural gas and renewables. It means ensuring Alberta communities are more resilient to the impacts of a changing climate. It includes advancing efforts to monitor, measure, and report on our progress. It means pursuing local and global partnerships and alliances to maximize our results. We will ensure that Alberta industry remains competitive, and we will meet the challenge of demonstrating real environmental leadership through meaningful action.

#### **Enhancing Albertans' Quality of Life**

Every effort of your Government is focused on the fundamental goal of ensuring Albertans have the best quality of life possible. Albertans want to know that there will be schools for their children, supportive care and services for aging parents, and access to high-quality health care for everyone. They want to know that even while we deliver on fiscal promises, we are focused on ensuring our health and education systems, our communities, and cities will be able to meet the needs of our province as it grows to become a home for 6 million Albertans. They want to see smart investment and system improvement, getting full value for the money we do invest, reflected in system improvement across all areas of government.

Nowhere is this need more urgent than in the delivery of their health care. Albertans want a system that is patient-focused and sustainable. They want to see outcomes improve. We know there is tremendous local knowledge in our communities and great expertise in our front-line health care workers. We want to empower health care providers to have more input into decision-making at the local level. This will take shape through refined relationships with health advisory councils and through a renewed focus on clinical standards, with input from medical professionals and key stakeholders.

Your Government is focused on improving flow into and through the health system through multiple, integrated initiatives. This includes the continuing care capacity plan that will open 464 existing continuing care spaces and create more than 1,500 new spaces. This is in addition to the 1,400 spaces already set to open between 2016 and 2018. New continuing care spaces will ensure that seniors and others with complex needs receive the care they need in safe, comfortable, and appropriate settings while freeing up beds in hospital wards and emergency departments. Your Government is committed to providing the right kind of care and housing options for seniors, at the right time, and as close to home as possible.

Additional work is also underway to address specific challenges within the health system, including patient access, waiting times, the need to speed up the transfer of patients from ambulances, the challenges of rural and remote communities, the availability of mental health supports for Alberta's children, and the need to develop a wellness strategy for Albertans.

A good education is the first step to a productive, fulfilling life. Albertans rightly expect excellence in education. Government must focus on providing students with the quality education they will need to thrive in the future. The recent announcement of 75 school projects brings the three-phase plan for Alberta's school infrastructure to 230 capital projects, creating more than 78,000 new spaces. This is the largest school construction project in Canadian history, and it is essential to keep pace with 10 years of record growth in Alberta's student population.

We are also committed to improving the way we teach and support our students and teachers. This Government will work to ensure that the basics of literacy and numeracy are the foundation for all student learning from kindergarten through Grade 12. We will also work to ensure students have opportunities to acquire 21st century competencies such as innovation, communication, and collaboration.

We are working with education partners to deliver innovative learning opportunities such as dual-credit programming, which allows high school students to develop high-demand skills and get a head start on post-secondary learning or workplace training through one of the many institutions under the Campus Alberta umbrella. Your Government will work with post-secondary institutions to meet our province's need for skilled entrepreneurs, professionals, researchers, and workers. We are exploring new ways to strengthen the system that will allow all learners to access and transfer within Campus Alberta. Innovation investments will be aligned to better support and encourage innovative thinking and revenue generation within the Campus Alberta system.

We will also target supports for apprentices, low-income, northern, and aboriginal learners, all of whom have a vital role to play in meeting the growing need for skilled workers across Alberta.

Excelling in health, education, seniors' care, and skills training means investing in the structures these systems need. Government is broadening the planning horizon for its capital plan with the development of a five-year intermediate plan and a 25-year long-term plan. These will ensure priority needs will be met in an orderly and cost-effective way.

We also recognize the need to take care of the infrastructure that is already in place and have begun to deal with the maintenance backlog using a planned and deliberate approach. To ensure transparency and accountability, your Government will introduce regular, twice-yearly report cards on the status of infrastructure projects across the province. The first will be tabled in the Legislature during this session.

Strong, modern, culturally vibrant cities and municipalities are at the heart of our province. Your Government will provide Alberta municipalities with a solid foundation for growth. We will continue to provide significant, predictable funding to support local infrastructure and services through the Municipal Sustainability Initiative. We will review the Municipal Government Act, working in partnership with the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, all of our other municipal partners, and other stakeholders. And we will build on the recent signing of the framework agreement with Edmonton and Calgary and work with both municipalities to achieve the key milestones in the framework by spring of 2016.

Your Government is also focused on being better partners to aboriginal communities, including those living in urban Alberta. Aboriginal people have important contributions to make to our cities, but sometimes the transition from rural or isolated communities to urban centres can be challenging. Your Government will work directly with First Nations, Metis, and Inuit communities along with urban aboriginal organizations and federal and municipal governments to develop and support initiatives to ease transitions to urban centres and into new opportunities. We will devote new energy to addressing the unacceptable gaps in education achievement between aboriginal and non-aboriginal students by building partnerships and support for First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people to use their skills, knowledge, and perspectives in the workforce.

In addition, a new Bill will be introduced to improve protection for condo owners and buyers, improve transparency and accountability of condo boards, and create a faster, more affordable dispute resolution system.

Your Government will work with the Premier's Council on Culture to develop a culture plan to promote sustainability and long-term growth across Alberta's vibrant arts and culture sector.

And work on a new volunteerism strategy will commence to ensure that our province's non-profit and voluntary sector, comprising almost 25,000 charities and organizations, remains strong in its exceptional contributions to Albertans' quality of life

Your Government is also working to ensure children, low-income Albertans, and others who are vulnerable are protected. Changes in the justice system will put the needs of children and families first through reforms focusing on early and final resolution of disputes and by improving the efficiency of the maintenance enforcement program. Legal aid funding is being increased to allow more low-income Albertans, including AISH recipients, to access the justice system.

From prenatal to young adult, plans are underway to support young Albertans by tackling youth homelessness under the 10-year plan to end homelessness and through the early years strategy. They will provide important supports for Alberta's children and youth, helping them transition between community systems and support services to healthy adulthood.

Finally, for the many Alberta communities that are still recovering from the 2013 flooding, Government is taking immediate action to resolve outstanding disaster recovery program appeals before the end of this year. A comprehensive flood mitigation plan will include the construction of a south diversion of the Highwood River and a dry reservoir near Springbank. These are components of a program that ensures Alberta communities are better protected from future flooding through solutions that are affordable, environmentally defensible, and quickly actionable.

#### Conclusion

Ladies and gentlemen, this is your Government's plan for Alberta. It begins with the understanding that Government's role is to serve Albertans honourably, respectfully, and ethically. Government's priorities must be those set by Albertans themselves.

It follows that our province must remain on a firm fiscal foundation, characterized by the sound, conservative fiscal principles that have served Alberta well. We must make the most of the many natural gifts bestowed on Alberta and through wise management and hard work turn the blessings we have been given into long-lasting security and prosperity. We must act now and act together to conserve our greatest gift of all, the natural splendour, majesty, and beauty of Alberta.

And we must work together thoughtfully and deliberately to preserve and enhance the tremendous quality of life enjoyed by Albertans. This is a precious legacy handed down to us from those who built our province. And it is our most solemn duty, in turn, to bestow what we received on our own children and grandchildren and everyone who will one day call this great province home.

This is your Government's commitment to this Assembly and to all Albertans.

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen.

May God bless you all. God bless Alberta. God bless Canada. God save the Queen.

### **Tabling Documents**

The Speaker informed the Assembly he had obtained a copy of the Speech of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid on the Table.

Sessional Paper 1/2014

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Ordered, that the Hon. Mr. Prentice have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "Respecting Property Rights Act." Hon. Mr. Prentice accordingly presented the Bill and the same was received and read a First time.

### **Government Motions**

**1.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Prentice:

Be it resolved that the Speech of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to this Assembly be taken into consideration Tuesday, November 18, 2014.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

### **Intersessional Deposits**

Pursuant to Standing Order 38.1(3), the following documents were deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly and are deemed to have been laid before the Assembly:

Hon. Mr. Olson, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, pursuant to the Farm Implement Act, cF-7, s42(2):

Farmers' Advocate Office, Annual Report 2012-2013 and Farm Implement Compensation Fund Financial Statements, March 31, 2013, deposited on May 23, 2014

Sessional Paper 253/2014

Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health:

Response to Written Question WQ9, asked for by Dr. Swann on April 14, 2014, deposited on May 23, 2014:

Which *municipalities in Alberta* had the highest leukemia, lymphoma, and lung cancer incidence rates *for the period from January 1, 2001, to December 31, 2005, and for the period from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2011?* 

Sessional Paper 254/2014

Pursuant to the Regional Health Authorities Act, cR-10, s14(3), Alberta Health Services, Annual Report 2012-2013, deposited on May 23, 2014

Sessional Paper 255/2014

Mr. Amery, Chair, Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, pursuant to Standing Order 52.07(4):

The Feasibility of Establishing a High-Speed Rail Transit System in Alberta, dated May 2014, deposited on May 23, 2014

Sessional Paper 256/2014

Hon. Mr. Fawcett, Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, pursuant to the Architects Act, cA-44, s6(4):

Alberta Association of Architects, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on May 26, 2014

Sessional Paper 257/2014

Hon. Mr. Johnson, Minister of Education:

Response to Written Question WQ12, asked for by Dr. Swann on April 14, 2014, deposited on May 27, 2014:

What progress has been made on the First Nations-Alberta-Canada February 2010 Memorandum of Understanding *for First Nations Education in Alberta*?

Sessional Paper 258/2014

Response to Written Question WQ13, asked for by Mr. Hehr on April 14, 2014, deposited on May 27, 2014:

How many full-time, part-time, and substitute teachers were there in the public and separate school systems in Alberta for 2012-13?

Sessional Paper 259/2014

Response to Written Question WQ14, asked for by Mr. Hehr on April 14, 2014, deposited on May 27, 2014:

What is the average school bus transportation cost per student in both the public and separate school systems in Alberta for the 2012-13 *school year*?

Sessional Paper 260/2014

Response to Written Question WQ15, asked for by Mr. Hehr on April 14, 2014, deposited on May 27, 2014:

In Alberta, how many English as a Second Language students were registered in each of the school years from 2010-11 to 2012-13 inclusive, and of those, how many will continue beyond the five years that are totally funded by the school board?

Sessional Paper 261/2014

Return to Order of the Assembly MR7, asked for by Mr. Hehr on April 14, 2014, deposited on May 27, 2014:

Copies of documents outlining the criteria and process that Leger, The Research Intelligence Group, used to select participants for the 14 public consultations related to the Task Force for Teaching Excellence that commenced on October 1, 2013

Sessional Paper 262/2014

Hon. Mr. Fawcett, Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act, Ch. W-15, sec. 93(5):

Workers' Compensation Board - Alberta, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on May 29, 2014

Sessional Paper 263/2014

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Property Rights Advocate Act, cP-26.5, s5(3):

Alberta Property Rights Advocate Office, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on June 2, 2014

Sessional Paper 264/2014

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Horse Racing Alberta Act, cH-11.3, s10(2):

Horse Racing Alberta, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on June 3, 2014 Sessional Paper 265/2014

Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

College of Medical Laboratory Technologists of Alberta, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on June 12, 2014

Sessional Paper 266/2014

Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technologists, Annual Report 2013, deposited on June 12, 2014

Sessional Paper 267/2014

Alberta College of Social Workers, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on June 12, 2014

Sessional Paper 268/2014

Hon. Mr. Weadick, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Capital Region Board Regulation, Alta Reg. 38/2012, sec. 9(2):

Capital Region Board, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on June 17, 2014 Sessional Paper 269/2014

Hon. Mr. Olson, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Agriculture and Rural Development, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 270/2014

Hon. Mrs. Klimchuk, Minister of Culture, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Culture, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014
Sessional Paper 271/2014

Hon. Mr. Johnson, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Education, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014 Sessional Paper 272/2014 Hon. Mrs. McQueen, Minister of Energy, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Energy, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014 Sessional Paper 273/2014

Hon. Mr. Campbell, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 274/2014

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Premier, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Executive Council, Annual Report 2013-14, deposited on June 30, 2014
Sessional Paper 275/2014

Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Health, Annual Report 2013-14, deposited on June 30, 2014 Sessional Paper 276/2014

Hon. Mr. Bhullar, Minister of Human Services, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Human Services, Annual Report (Volume 1) 2013-14, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 277/2014

Human Services, Annual Report (Volume 2) 2013-14, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 278/2014

Hon. Mr. Drysdale, Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Infrastructure, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014 Sessional Paper 279/2014

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Premier, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Innovation and Advanced Education, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 280/2014

Hon. Mr. Fawcett, Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 281/2014

Hon. Mr. Denis, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Justice and Solicitor General, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 282/2014

Hon. Mr. Weadick, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Municipal Affairs, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014 Sessional Paper 283/2014

Hon. Mr. Griffiths, Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Service Alberta, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014 Sessional Paper 284/2014

Hon. Dr. Starke, Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Tourism, Parks and Recreation, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 285/2014

Hon. Mr. Drysdale, Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Transportation, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014 Sessional Paper 286/2014

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Treasury Board and Finance, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 287/2014

Hon. Mr. Dallas, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

International and Intergovernmental Relations, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on June 30, 2014

Sessional Paper 288/2014

Hon. Mr. Scott, Associate Minister – Accountability, Transparency and Transformation, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Griffiths, Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-25, s86:

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy, Annual Report 2011-12, deposited on July 2, 2014

Sessional Paper 289/2014

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy, Annual Report 2012-13, deposited on July 2, 2014

Sessional Paper 290/2014

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

Alberta's Promise, Annual Report of 2013, deposited on July 2, 2014
Sessional Paper 291/2014

Mr. Casey, Chair, Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, cA-23, s16(2), and Standing Order 55:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on July 2, 2014

Sessional Paper 292/2014

Hon. Mr. Oberle, Minister of Aboriginal Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Fiscal Management Act, cF-14.5, s13:

Aboriginal Relations, Annual Report 2013-2014, deposited on July 7, 2014 Sessional Paper 293/2014

Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta Act, cS-6, s7(2):

Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, 2013-2014 Annual Report, deposited on July 8, 2014

Sessional Paper 294/2014

Mr. Jeneroux, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s20(2):

Report of the Auditor General of Alberta, July 2014, deposited on July 8, 2014 Sessional Paper 295/2014

Hon, Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College of Pharmacists, 2013-2014 Annual Report, deposited on July 15, 2014

Sessional Paper 296/2014

Alberta College of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on July 15, 2014

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College of Dietitians of Alberta, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on July 15, 2014

Sessional Paper 298/2014

College of Physical Therapists of Alberta, Annual Report 2013, deposited on July 15, 2014

Sessional Paper 299/2014

College of Registered Dental Hygienists of Alberta, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on July 15, 2014

Sessional Paper 300/2014

Hon. Mr. Fawcett, Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, pursuant to the Regulated Accounting Profession Act, cR-12, s25(2):

Institute of Chartered Accountants of Alberta, 2014 Annual Report, deposited on July 15, 2014

Sessional Paper 301/2014

Hon. Mrs. McQueen, Minister of Energy:

Response to Written Question WQ6, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014, deposited on July 17, 2014:

How many oil and gas pipeline spills, leaks, or ruptures have occurred in Alberta per year from January 1, 2009, to December 31, 2013?

Sessional Paper 302/2014

Hon. Mr. Campbell, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, pursuant to the Alberta Land Stewardship Act, cA-26.8, s5:

Draft South Saskatchewan Regional Plan 2014-2024, deposited on July 18, 2014 Sessional Paper 303/2014 Hon, Mr. Horne, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on July 23, 2014

Sessional Paper 304/2014

College of Opticians of Alberta, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on July 23, 2014

Sessional Paper 305/2014

College of Naturopathic Doctors of Alberta, Annual Report 2013, deposited on July 23, 2014

Sessional Paper 306/2014

Hon. Mr. Johnson, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2):

Alberta Teachers' Association, 2013 Annual Report, deposited on July 28, 2014 Sessional Paper 307/2014

Mr. Khan, Chair, Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, pursuant to Standing Order 74.2(1):

Report entitled "Review of Bill 201, Agricultural Pests (Fusarium Head Blight) Amendment Act, 2014, prepared by the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, deposited on August 5, 2014

Sessional Paper 308/2014

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s17(4):

August 2014 Special Duty Report on the Expenses of the Office of Premier Redford and Alberta's Air Transportation Services Program, deposited on August 7, 2014

Sessional Paper 309/2014

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Premier, Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education, pursuant to the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act, cA-42, s6(2):

Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board, 2013-14 Annual Report, deposited on August 18, 2014

Sessional Paper 310/2014

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

Pursuant to the Ombudsman Act, cO-8, s28, Alberta Ombudsman, 2013-14 Annual Report, deposited on August 20, 2014

Sessional Paper 311/2014

Pursuant to the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, cP-39.5, s33, Alberta's Public Interest Commissioner, 2013-14 Annual Report, deposited on August 20, 2014

Sessional Paper 312/2014

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Securities Act, cS-4, s20(2):

Alberta Securities Commission, 2014 Annual Report, deposited on August 20, 2014

Sessional Paper 313/2014

Hon. Mr. Weadick, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Pursuant to the Safety Codes Act, cS-1, s25(3), Safety Codes Council, Annual Report 2013, deposited on September 4, 2014

Sessional Paper 314/2014

Pursuant to the Government Organization Act, cG-10, sch10, s10(3):

Petroleum Tank Management Association of Alberta, Annual Report 2013, deposited on September 4, 2014

Sessional Paper 315/2014

Alberta Elevating Devices and Amusement Rides Safety Association, 2013/2014 Annual Report and Audited Financial Statement dated March 31, 2014, deposited on September 4, 2014

Sessional Paper 316/2014

Hon. Mr. Fawcett, Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour:

Response to Written Question WQ25, asked for by Mr. Hehr on April 14, 2014, deposited on September 8, 2014:

As of January 1, 2014, how many of the 30 new Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) officers, announced by the Government on March 4, 2011, have been hired and what is the total number of OHS officers?

Sessional Paper 317/2014

Response to Written Question WQ26, asked for by Mr. Hehr on April 14, 2014, deposited on September 8, 2014:

As of January 1, 2014, how many of the six new Employment Standards (ES) officers, announced by the Government on August 10, 2011, have been hired, what is the total number of ES officers, and what was the total number on August 10, 2011?

Sessional Paper 318/2014

Mr. Jeneroux, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s20(2):

Report of the Auditor General of Alberta, September 2014, Health – Chronic Disease Management, deposited on September 9, 2014

Sessional Paper 319/2014

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Denis, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:14 p.m. until Tuesday, November 18, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky, Speaker

Title: Monday, November 17, 2014