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## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Tuesday, March 17, 2015

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

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement honouring the service of Maurice White, Leonard Corbett, Bernard Cooper, Henry Planger, and Lloyd Lewis, Albertans who served in the First Special Service Force, also known as the Devil's Brigade, during the Second World War and thanking the men and women who serve in our Armed Forces.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding violence against women, women's shelters, and inadequate Government funding for families to afford alternate accommodation.

Mr. Weadick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding Unlimited, a dance collaboration hosted by the University of Lethbridge from March 17 to 21, 2015, which includes students with developmental disabilities, and congratulating the University of Lethbridge for its initiative to proactively include people with disabilities in a for-credit university drama course.

Ms Smith, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding Okotok's water conservation efforts, winning the Federation of Canadian Municipalities 2015 Sustainable Communities Award for its Water Conservation, Efficiency and Productivity Program, and the need for Government funding for a water pipeline from Calgary to Okotoks.

Dr. Brown, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill, made a statement urging the Government to declare September 28 as British Home Child Day in recognition of the lives of British Home Children.

Mr. Hale, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement reflecting on his three years as a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Mr. Rogers, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont:

Letter dated March 9, 2015, from the Leduc County Coalition to Members of the Alberta Legislature expressing concern regarding the City of Edmonton's formal notice to annex 38,000 acres of county land and requesting that a fair and mutually beneficial annexation solution be found

Sessional Paper 252/2014-15

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie:

Copy of a petition signed by approximately 1,000 Airdrie residents urging the Government to recognize the need for 24-hour urgent health care services in Airdrie and work with community leaders and health professionals to provide the resources necessary for its prompt establishment

Sessional Paper 253/2014-15

Copies of 89 letters dated January 27, 2015, from parents of children attending Westbrook School to Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie, expressing concern regarding the recent increased speed limit on Highway 22 in front of the Westbrook School

Sessional Paper 254/2014-15

Hon. Mr. Denis, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General:

Report dated November 2014 entitled "Victims Services Status Report 2013-2014," prepared by Alberta Justice and Solicitor General

Sessional Paper 255/2014-15

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Fawcett, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development:

Response to Written Question WQ10, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

Which municipalities in Alberta have lands that are classified as flood-prone?

Sessional Paper 256/2014-15

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mrs. McQueen, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Response to Written Question WQ1, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

What progress has been made on the formal commitment to develop a big city charter announced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs in a Government news release on June 18, 2012?

Sessional Paper 257/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ2, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

Which 10 municipalities had the highest property tax rates in Alberta for the 2012 and 2013 calendar years?

Sessional Paper 258/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ24, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

How many safety codes officers in Alberta have been specifically trained to evaluate homes affected by the June 2013 flood and assess whether they have been flood-proofed to a sufficient degree to warrant removal of the notice that the Government has placed on the land titles of those properties?

Sessional Paper 259/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ31, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

For those property owners who received Disaster Recovery Program compensation in 2013, what is the wording of the notice the Government will place on the land titles of those properties?

Sessional Paper 260/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ32, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

Who are the members of the Government's Disaster Recovery Committee, the body referenced in section 2.2.2 of the Alberta Disaster Assistance Guidelines and section 7(3) of the Disaster Recovery Regulation?

Sessional Paper 261/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ33, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

As of January 1, 2014, how many homes in southern Alberta were deemed or estimated to be eligible to apply for Disaster Recovery Program compensation in relation to the June 2013 flood; and, of those, how many submitted applications for compensation, how many were offered compensation, and how many accepted the offered amount of compensation?

Sessional Paper 262/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ34, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

As of January 1, 2014, how many Disaster Recovery Program compensation claims from the 2010 flood in southern and central Alberta were appealed to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to section 8 of the Disaster Recovery Regulation, and how many of those resulted in a reversal or modification of a previous decision made by either the Alberta Emergency Management Agency's Director of Recovery Operations or the Managing Director?

Sessional Paper 263/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ35, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

As of January 1, 2014, of the total number of southern Alberta residents who applied for Disaster Recovery Program compensation in relation to the June 2013 flood, how many have requested a formal review of their files by the Alberta Emergency Management Agency's (AEMA) Director of Recovery Operations; and, how many have subsequently requested that a decision on their file by the AEMA Director of Recovery Operations be reviewed by the AEMA Managing Director, pursuant to section 7 of the Disaster Recovery Regulation; and, how many have subsequently requested that a decision on their file by the AEMA Managing Director be reviewed by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to section 8 of the Disaster Recovery Regulation?

Sessional Paper 264/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ36, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

How many municipalities requested financial or technical assistance from the Government for riverbank stabilization or flood protection for the period between the southern Alberta flood that occurred in June 2005 and the flood of June 2013?

Sessional Paper 265/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ37, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

As January 1, 2014, what is the average length of time that it has taken to conclude Disaster Recovery Program compensation claims in relation to the June 2013 flood, and what is the average compensation that has been paid?

Sessional Paper 266/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ38, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

As of January 1, 2014, how many Disaster Recovery Program compensation claims are outstanding from the 2010 flood in southern and central Alberta?

Sessional Paper 267/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ39, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

As of January 1, 2014, how many Disaster Recovery Program compensation claims are outstanding from the May 2011 wildfire in Slave Lake?

Sessional Paper 268/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ40, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

What was the commencement date of LandLink Consulting Ltd.'s current five-year contract with the Government to administer the Province's Disaster Recovery Program?

Sessional Paper 269/2014-15

Response to Written Question WQ41, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

What positions did Barry Giffen and Rick Thrall, LandLink Consulting Ltd.'s President and Managing Partner respectively, hold when they were employed by the Government of Alberta?

Sessional Paper 270/2014-15

Return to Order of the Assembly MR2, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

A copy of the report of the provincial advisory panel on community flood mitigation that proposed \$830 million in flood mitigation measures at the Alberta Flood Mitigation Symposium held in Calgary on October 4, 2013.

Sessional Paper 271/2014-15

Return to Order of the Assembly MR8, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 14, 2014:

A copy of the performance review of LandLink Consulting Ltd. referenced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs during the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship's consideration of the Ministry's 2013-14 estimates on April 17, 2013.

Sessional Paper 272/2014-15

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 17 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Campbell

## **Committee of Supply** (Interim Supply Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the 2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again.

<b>Support to the Legislative Assembly</b>	\$20,460,000
<b>Office of the Auditor General</b>	\$6,670,000
<b>Office of the Ombudsman</b>	\$821,000
<b>Office of the Chief Electoral Officer</b>	\$28,000,000
<b>Office of the Ethics Commissioner</b>	\$250,000
<b>Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</b>	\$1,711,000
<b>Office of the Child and Youth Advocate</b>	\$3,242,000
<b>Office of the Public Interest Commissioner</b>	\$313,000
<b>Aboriginal Relations</b>	
Expense	\$51,883,000
Capital Investment	\$6,000
Financial Transactions	\$19,268,000
<b>Agriculture and Rural Development</b>	
Expense	\$179,467,000
Capital Investment	\$940,000
<b>Culture and Tourism</b>	
Expense	\$73,535,000
Capital Investment	\$250,000
Financial Transactions	\$400,000
<b>Education</b>	
Expense	\$956,600,000
Capital Investment	\$128,900,000
Financial Transactions	\$5,300,000

**Energy**

Expense	\$96,000,000
Capital Investment	\$1,500,000
Financial Transactions	\$33,641,000

**Environment and Sustainable Resource Development**

Expense	\$167,557,000
Capital Investment	\$44,801,000
Financial Transactions	\$353,000

**Executive Council**

Expense	\$6,385,000
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**Health**

Expense	\$4,690,537,000
Capital Investment	\$19,341,000
Financial Transactions	\$8,700,000

**Human Services**

Expense	\$1,185,482,000
Capital Investment	\$1,721,000
Financial Transactions	\$170,000

**Infrastructure**

Expense	\$147,500,000
Capital Investment	\$153,000,000
Financial Transactions	\$4,900,000

**Innovation and Advanced Education**

Expense	\$815,725,000
Capital Investment	\$195,900,000
Financial Transactions	\$48,000,000

**International and Intergovernmental Relations**

Expense	\$12,000,000
Capital Investment	\$6,000

**Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour**

Expense	\$50,435,000
Capital Investment	\$300,000

**Justice and Solicitor General**

Expense	\$431,071,000
Capital Investment	\$28,771,000

**Municipal Affairs**

Expense	\$1,185,555,000
Capital Investment	\$2,526,000
Financial Transactions	\$109,192,000

**Seniors**

Expense	\$181,693,000
Financial Transactions	\$2,375,000

**Service Alberta**

Expense	\$81,535,000
Capital Investment	\$10,685,000
Financial Transactions	\$2,500,000

**Transportation**

Expense	\$258,827,000
Capital Investment	\$729,462,000
Financial Transactions	\$19,531,000

**Treasury Board and Finance**

Expense	\$42,704,000
Capital Investment	\$681,000
Financial Transactions	\$2,518,000
Transfer from the Lottery Fund	\$386,929,000

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 18 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Denis on behalf of Hon. Mr. Campbell



## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 12 Common Business Number Act — Mr. Quest

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

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Denis, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:32 p.m. until Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Gene Zwozdesky,  
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, March 17, 2015