

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 10

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Twenty-Ninth Legislature

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

# **Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech** (Day 8)

Moved by Mrs. Littlewood and seconded by Mr. Westhead:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, LLD, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

A debate followed.

MLA Cortes-Vargas moved adjournment of the debate, which 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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement a Supreme Court Ruling Governing Essential Services — Hon. Ms Gray

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, moved that the Bill be amended in section 33

- (a) in the proposed section 70(1) by striking out "\$1000" and substituting "\$ 750 000", and
- (b) in the proposed section 71(1) by striking out "\$1000" and substituting "\$ 750 000".

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 9

Aheer	Ellis	MacIntyre
Cooper	Hunter	McIver
Cyr	Loewen	Panda

Against the amendment: 43

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont) Babcock Bilous Carlier Carson Ceci Connolly Coolahan Cortes-Vargas Dach Dang Drever Eggen	Ganley Goehring Gray Hinkley Horne Kazim Kleinsteuber Larivee Littlewood Loyola Luff Malkinson Mason	McKitrick McLean McPherson Miller Miranda Nielsen Piquette Renaud Sabir Schmidt Sigurdson Sucha Sweet
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And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

- Bill 4 An Act to Implement a Supreme Court Ruling Governing Essential Services — Hon. Ms Gray
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Mr. Kleinsteuber, 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 4 (A1) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 51/2016

Amendment to Bill 4 (A2) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 52/2016

Amendment to Bill 4 (A3) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 53/2016

#### Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:55 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2016 — 1:30 PM

# ROUTINE

#### **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education, made a statement noting Transgender Day of Visibility on March 31, 2016, and updating the Assembly on policies submitted by most of Alberta's school authorities to support safe and caring schools, with particular focus on LGBTQ students.

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow the Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition or a designate, the Member for Calgary Mountain-View, and the Member for Calgary-Elbow to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, then commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mason, 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**

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie, made a statement regarding the effects of the centralized health care model in Alberta and Government interference with Alberta Health Services.

Ms Kazim, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement recognizing April 2016 as Dig Safe Month and addressing the importance of contacting the Alberta One-Call service before an excavation project.

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement regarding a lack of Government policy on wellness.

Mr. Sucha, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, made a statement recognizing April 6, 2016, as Tartan Day, which celebrates Scottish heritage around the world, and describing the Calgary Tartan, presented to the city by the St. Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary.

Ms McKitrick, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding Citizens for Public Justice, a member-driven, faith-based public policy organization focused on ecological justice, refugee rights, and poverty elimination.

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, made a statement regarding Lethbridge Biogas in the Little Bow constituency, a business that converts organic waste into nitrogen-rich material and methane fuel, and asking for regulatory changes that would spur growth in this industry.

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

Notice having been given:

Bill 5 Seniors' Home Adaptation and Repair Act — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

#### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

St. Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary website article, undated, entitled "Calgary Tartan"

Sessional Paper 54/2016

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat:

Document, undated, showing two graphs related to solid organ transplant statistics, relating to comments made by Mr. Barnes during Oral Question Period on April 6, 2016

Sessional Paper 55/2016

Photograph dated August 2015 of a building on Macleod Trail SE in Calgary Sessional Paper 56/2016

Mr. Drysdale, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti:

Letter dated January 29, 2016, from Al Kenmare, President, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, to Ms Goehring, Chair, Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, requesting to present to the committee regarding the reallocation of linear taxation revenues

Sessional Paper 57/2016

# **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

#### **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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 4 An Act to Implement a Supreme Court Ruling Governing Essential Services — Hon. Ms Gray

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, moved that the Bill be amended in section 8 in the proposed section 95.1 by striking out "or" at the end of clause (a), and by adding the following after clause (b):

(c) that are necessary to prevent serious environmental damage,

(d) that are necessary to prevent major deterioration of workplace machinery, equipment, or premises, or needed to secure workplace premises, or

(e) that are necessary to properly manage the finances or investment funds of the Government of Alberta.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 14

Aheer	Gotfried	Smith
Anderson (Highwood)	Hunter	Strankman
Cooper	MacIntyre	van Dijken
Cyr	McIver	Yao
Ellis	Rodney	

Against the amendment: 50

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Nielsen
Babcock	Hoffman	Notley
Bilous	Horne	Phillips
Carson	Kazim	Piquette
Ceci	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Connolly	Larivee	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Littlewood	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schmidt
Dach	Luff	Schreiner
Dang	Malkinson	Shepherd
Drever	Mason	Sigurdson
Eggen	McCuaig-Boyd	Sucha
Feehan	McKitrick	Sweet
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Turner
Ganley	McPherson	Westhead
Goehring	Miller	Woollard
Gray	Miranda	

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, moved that the Bill be amended in section 8 in the proposed section 95.3, by adding the following after subsection (1):

(1.1) The Commissioner must be resident in Alberta for at least 6 of the 10 years preceding designation under subsection (1).

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Jabbour in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 13

Aheer	Hunter
Anderson (Highwood)	MacIntyre
Cooper	McIver
Cyr	Rodney
Gotfried	-

Smith Strankman van Dijken Yao

Against the amendment: 37

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Miller
Babcock	Horne	Nielsen
Carson	Kazim	Piquette
Connolly	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Coolahan	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schreiner
Dach	Luff	Shepherd
Dang	Malkinson	Sucha
Drever	Mason	Sweet
Eggen	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Fitzpatrick	McKitrick	Westhead
Goehring	McPherson	Woollard
Gray		

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Mr. Dang, 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 4 (A3) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner on April 6, 2016) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 53/2016

Amendment to Bill 4 (A4) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 58/2016

Amendment to Bill 4 (A5) (Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 59/2016

Amendment to Bill 4 (A6) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 60/2016

Amendment to Bill 4 (A7) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 61/2016

Amendment to Bill 4 (A8) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 62/2016

Bill 4 An Act to Implement a Supreme Court Ruling Governing Essential Services — Hon. Ms Gray

Amendment to Bill 4 (A9) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 63/2016

## Adjournment

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On motion by MLA Cortes-Vargas, Hon. Member for Strathcona-Sherwood Park, the Assembly adjourned at 5:56 p.m. until Thursday, April 7, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 6, 2016