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# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Monday, May 2, 2016

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

#### **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Ms Gray, Minister of Labour and Minister Responsible for Democratic Renewal, made a statement recognizing May 1 to 7, 2016, as North American Occupational Safety and Health Week and April 28, 2016, as the National Day of Mourning, and regarding Albertans who were killed or injured in workplace accidents, including the late Manmeet Bhullar, former Member of the Legislative Assembly, who was killed on his way to work on November 23, 2015.

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, commented on the statement.

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

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, and Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, then commented on the statement.

#### Members' Statements

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding May Day and the benefits enjoyed by workers as a result of the labour movement.

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre, made a statement regarding the Government's ethics and accountability record over the past year.

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding the entrepreneurial spirit of Albertans and Albertans' lack of confidence in the Government's fiscal policies.

Ms Kazim, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement regarding the new Kingsland Terrace continuing care centre, the result of collaboration between the Government and the Intercare Group.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy 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.

Mrs. Littlewood, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding the Josephburg Agricultural Society and the Josephburg Presents Committee, and recognizing the committee's 40th year of bringing diverse cultural experiences to rural Alberta.

Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, made a statement regarding frustration expressed in the Innisfail-Sylvan Lake constituency over the lack of an urgent care centre in Sylvan Lake.

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

Notice having been given:

Bill 11 Alberta Research and Innovation Amendment Act, 2016 — Hon. Mr. Bilous

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka:

Letter, undated, from Brian Tainsh, Manager, On Farm Inspections, Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC), to whom it may concern explaining that all AFSC inspectors are covered by the Workers' Compensation Board

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Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka:

Letter dated March 21, 2013, from Daniel Graham, Acting Manager, Insurance Solutions, Agriculture Financial Services Corporation, to Freeman G. Herron, advising that he is not exempt from a random production audit and requesting unconditional access for inspection staff to complete the audit

Sessional Paper 110/2016

#### Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks:

Letter dated April 28, 2016, from Jim Johnson, Owner/Operator, Alberta Prairie Meats, to Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, regarding Mr. Fildebrandt's commitment to eat beef for a week and Earls Restaurants Ltd.'s decision to not serve Canadian beef

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#### Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition:

Excerpt from an AISCA (Association of Independent Schools and Colleges in Alberta) News article, undated, entitled "Private schools save the public purse millions each year"

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## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### **Written Questions**

The following Written Questions were accepted:

#### **WQ2.** Asked by Mr. Smith:

What is the Government's projected estimate of the cost to implement full-day kindergarten in Alberta?

### **WQ3.** Asked by Mr. Smith:

How much has the Government spent on the Student Learning Assessment pilot projects for the fiscal years 2010-11 to 2014-15, and from April 1, 2015, to February 29, 2016, and what are the details of what the money was spent on?

#### **WQ5.** Asked by Mr. Smith:

For the fiscal years from 2010-11 to 2014-15, and from April 1, 2015, to February 9, 2016, what was the cost to the Government to develop and implement the Provincial Approach to Student Information initiative?

#### **WQ7.** Asked by Mr. Smith:

In Alberta, how many English as a second language students were registered in the 2014-15 school year, and how many of those students will continue beyond the five years that are totally funded by school boards?

#### **WQ8.** Asked by Mr. Smith:

In the public, separate, and francophone school systems in Alberta, what was the total amount of funds collected through fees, fundraising, donations, and gifts in each of the fiscal years from 2010-11 to 2014-15?

### **WQ9.** Asked by Mr. Cyr:

How many maintenance enforcement accounts were in arrears and by how much were they in arrears on February 29, 2016?

### WQ10. Asked by Mr. Schneider:

For the fiscal years 2013-14, 2014-15, and from April 1, 2015, to February 29, 2016, how much money was spent on the redevelopment of the Whitecourt Healthcare Centre and what was it spent on?

The following Written Question was accepted as amended:

#### **WQ1.** Moved by Mr. Cooper:

How many adoptions of children up to the age of 18 years were finalized in each year from January 1, 2009, to December 31, 2015, and of those, how many were children in permanent care of the Government prior to being adopted?

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Minister of Human Services, moved that the motion be amended to read:

How many adoptions of children up to the age of 18 years were finalized in each of the fiscal years from 2008-09 to 2014-15, and from April 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015, and of those, how many were children in permanent care of the Government prior to being adopted?

The following Written Questions were rejected:

### **WQ4.** Moved by Mr. Smith:

From April 1, 2012, to March 31, 2015, how much less did the Government spend as a result of students being enrolled in private schools instead of public or separate schools?

The question being put, the motion was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 21

Aheer Gotfried Panda Hanson Pitt Barnes Rodney Clark Hunter Smith Cooper Loewen Starke MacIntyre Cyr Drysdale McIver Strankman Ellis Orr Swann

Against the motion: 40

 $Anderson \ ({\tt Leduc\text{-}Beaumont})$ Payne Horne Carson Jabbour **Phillips** Piquette Ceci Kazim Connolly Renaud Kleinsteuber Coolahan Rosendahl Larivee Cortes-Vargas Littlewood Sabir Dach Loyola Schmidt Dang Luff Schreiner Eggen Malkinson Shepherd Feehan Sucha Mason Fitzpatrick McLean Sweet McPherson Westhead Ganley Woollard Miller Gray

Hinkley

#### WQ6. Moved by Mr. Smith:

For the fiscal years from 2010-11 to 2014-15, and from April 1, 2015, to February 29, 2016, what was the cost to school boards to develop or to purchase software to implement the Provincial Approach to Student Information initiative?

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

For the motion: 18

Gotfried Barnes Panda Pitt Clark Hanson Cooper Hunter Rodney Smith Cyr Loewen Drysdale MacIntyre Starke Ellis McIver Strankman Against the motion: 38

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont) Gray Payne Carlier Hinkley **Piquette** Renaud Carson Horne Kazim Rosendahl Ceci Connolly Larivee Sabir Coolahan Littlewood Schmidt Cortes-Vargas Loyola Schreiner Dach Luff Sucha Dang Malkinson Sweet Eggen Mason Turner Feehan McLean Westhead Fitzpatrick McPherson Woollard

Ganley Miller

#### **Motions for Returns**

The following Motions for Returns were accepted:

### **MR1.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR2.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Energy between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR3.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Transportation between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

#### **MR4.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Service Alberta between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR5.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Health between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

#### **MR6.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Human Services between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR7.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Seniors between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR8.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR9.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Infrastructure between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR10.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR11.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Environment and Parks or its predecessor between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

#### **MR12.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Advanced Education or its predecessor between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

#### **MR13.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Education between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

#### **MR14.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Indigenous Relations or its predecessor between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR15.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry or its predecessor between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

### **MR16.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism or its predecessors between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

#### **MR17.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents relating to the fall Government staff retreat held at the Camp Chief Hector YMCA from September 18 to 20, 2015, including a list of participants, a breakdown of costs, and agendas.

### **MR19.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of any correspondence (including, but not limited to, letters, emails, or phone messages) sent between the Ministries of Infrastructure, Treasury Board and Finance, and Executive Council in preparation for appearing before the Standing Committee on Public Accounts on February 3, 2016.

### **MR26.** Proposed by Mr. Cyr:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Annual Report 2013-14, prepared by the Government of Alberta.

### **MR27.** Proposed by Mr. Cyr:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Annual Report 2014-15, prepared by the Government of Alberta.

#### **MR31.** Proposed by Mr. Fildebrandt:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the responses that the Government received from Albertans through its online survey on their priorities for Budget 2015.

#### **MR33.** Proposed by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of documents and briefings, including PowerPoint presentations, outlining the internal government process for the preparation of government legislation.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of Motions for Returns.

Debate on the following Motion for a Return was adjourned:

### **MR18.** Moved by Mr. Cooper:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the most recent three-year legislation plan for each Ministry.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Hon. Mr. Mason speaking.

#### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to withdraw the amendment to Motion Other Than a Government Motion 504 that is currently before the House.

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, also requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for the time spent on Motion Other Than a Government Motion 504 on April 18, 2016, to not be included in the 55 minute debate time.

### **504.** Moved by Mr. McIver:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to affirm its commitment to allowing parents the choice of educational delivery for their children, including home, charter, private, francophone, separate, or public education programs.

A debate followed.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested and received unanimous consent from the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of debate on Motion Other Than a Government Motion 504.

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

For the motion: 62

Aheer Ganley Payne Gotfried Piquette Anderson (Highwood) Pitt Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont) Gray Barnes Hanson Renaud Carlier Hinkley Rodney Carson Horne Rosendahl Ceci Hunter Sabir Clark Kazim Schneider Connolly Larivee Schreiner Coolahan Littlewood Smith Cooper Starke Loewen Cortes-Vargas Loyola Stier MacIntyre Strankman Cyr Dach Malkinson Sucha Mason Swann Dang Drysdale Sweet McIver Eggen McKitrick **Taylor** Ellis Turner McLean Feehan Westhead McPherson Fildebrandt Miller Woollard Fitzpatrick Panda

Against the motion: 0

### Adjournment

Pursuant to the Budget 2016 Main Estimates Schedule, the Assembly adjourned at 6:06 p.m. until Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at 1:30 pm.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker

Title: Monday, May 2, 2016