

No. 24

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Ninth Legislature

Monday, May 9, 2016

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Deputy Premier, made a statement providing a further update to the Assembly on the wildfire situation in the Fort McMurray area, stating that it is still not safe for residents to return to the area, and regarding town hall teleconference meetings taking place from May 9 to 12, 2016.

Members' Statements

Mr. Piquette, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater, made a statement regarding the outpouring of support from individuals and organizations in Alberta for the Fort McMurray wildfire evacuees and first responders.

Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills, made a statement regarding the support and influx of donations from across Canada for those affected by the wildfires in Fort McMurray, the work of first responders, and the leadership of Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition (Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Conklin), and Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo.

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement expressing support for Bill 205, Pharmacy and Drug (Pharmaceutical Equipment Control) Amendment Act, 2016, which he is sponsoring.

Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the excellence and inclusivity of the Parkland School Division, which is welcoming students evacuated from Fort McMurray.

Mr. Kleinsteuber, Hon. Member for Calgary-Northern Hills, made a statement regarding Buffalo Rubbing Stone School in the Panorama Hills community in Calgary which will be completed in September 2016, and its namesake landmark.

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, made a statement regarding the numerous and diverse choices of education programs available to students in the Little Bow constituency.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader:

Second Revised Spring 2016 Budget Main Estimates Schedule dated May 9, 2016 Sessional Paper 116/2016

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

Document entitled "Alberta Purchasing Connection, Opportunity Notice, Skimmer Air Tanker Group," prepared by the Government of Alberta, relating to comments made by Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, during Oral Question Period on May 9, 2016

Sessional Paper 117/2016

Report, undated, entitled "Wildfire Management, Air Tanker Group Set Up 2016," prepared by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, relating to comments made by Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, during Oral Question Period on May 9, 2016

Sessional Paper 118/2016

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

Photograph of a letter from Corey Kotyluk, Managing Director, Product Strategies, ATB Business and Agriculture, the addressee's name struck out, regarding changes to cash and coin services starting July 1, 2016

Sessional Paper 119/2016

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, cE-2, s44(1):

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer, Failure to Eliminate a Campaign Deficit for the 2015 Provincial General Election

Sessional Paper 120/2016

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

Letter dated April 21, 2016, unsigned, from Nick Dira to Hon. Ms Hoffman, Minister of Health, regarding his inability to access health services he requires due to a policy at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital limiting patients to 90 days of therapy

Sessional Paper 121/2016

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8 and immediately proceed to Second Reading consideration of Bill 205, Pharmacy and Drug (Pharmaceutical Equipment Control) Amendment Act, 2016.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 205 Pharmacy and Drug (Pharmaceutical Equipment Control) Amendment Act, 2016 — Mr. Ellis

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to call it 5:00 p.m. and begin consideration of Motions Other Than Government Motions.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

505. Moved by Mr. Taylor:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to postpone further implementation of its planned \$15 per hour minimum wage target until a comprehensive study on the effects that these increases would have on employment rates and on the prices of goods and services has been completed by the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future.

A debate followed.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

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: 15

Aheer Ellis McIver
Barnes Gill Panda
Clark Hunter Pitt
Cooper Loewen Taylor
Cyr MacIntyre van Dijken

Against the motion: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont) Hinkley Phillips Babcock Hoffman Piquette Jabbour Renaud Carlier Carson Kleinsteuber Rosendahl Littlewood Sabir Ceci Connolly Loyola Schmidt Schreiner Coolahan Luff Cortes-Vargas Malkinson Sigurdson Drever McKitrick Sucha Feehan McLean Sweet Fitzpatrick Miller Turner Goehring Nielsen Westhead Woollard Gray Payne

Adjournment

Pursuant to the Budget 2016 Main Estimates Schedule, the Assembly adjourned at 5:57 p.m. until Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker

Title: Monday, May 9, 2016