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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Twenty-Ninth Legislature

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

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

ROUTINE

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Larivee, Minister of Municipal Affairs, made a statement further updating the Assembly on the wildfire situation in the Fort McMurray area, focusing on efforts to ensure that evacuees have up-to-date information and emergency financial assistance, and advising that some students will be exempt from diploma exams and that assistance is being provided by Canada Post and Alberta registries.

Members' Statements

Mr. Hinkley, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the many ways first responders, Albertans, Canadians, and the Alberta Government are supporting residents of Fort McMurray affected by the wildfires.

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding the heroism and leadership of Albertans, first responders, and volunteers who are assisting Fort McMurray and area residents affected by the wildfires.

Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, made a statement regarding the brave Albertans who evacuated from Fort McMurray and area during the wildfires, the strength, kindness, and generosity of Albertans, and expressing sympathy for the families of two young people who lost their lives in a vehicle collision while fleeing Fort McMurray.

Ms Jabbour, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding the resilient and generous spirit of Peace River and northern Alberta residents while facing wildfire evacuations, the Northern Heat conference for firefighters held in Peace River from May 4 to 7, 2016, and the Northern Alberta Fiddling and Jigging Championship held in Fort Vermillion on May 7, 2016, where a Fort McMurray resident spoke and performed.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding the annual Eskimos Women's Dinner held on May 5, 2016, which raises funds for the Lois Hole Hospital and for ovarian cancer research, and the personal and financial support for Fort McMurray evacuees from the Edmonton Eskimos Football Club and the Canadian Football League.

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.

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding the efforts of Fort McMurray residents, emergency personnel, and energy sector businesses to ensure a safe and successful evacuation of residents from Fort McMurray during the wildfires.

Privilege — Responses to Written Questions and Motions for Returns

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, gave oral notice of his intention to raise a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding the Government's failure to comply with Standing Order 34(5) by not tabling responses to Written Questions and Motions for Returns that were accepted on November 30, 2015.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 13 Veterinary Profession Amendment Act, 2016 — Hon. Ms Gray

Bill 14 Health Professions Amendment Act, 2016 — Hon. Ms Hoffman

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education:

Response to Written Question WQ6, asked for by Mr. Smith on November 30, 2015:

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 November 30, 2015, and what are the details of what the money was spent on?

Sessional Paper 122/2016

Hon Ms Payne, Associate Minister of Health:

Responses to Written Questions WQ1, WQ2, and WQ3, asked for by Mr. Barnes on November 30, 2015, Written Question WQ5, asked for by Mr. Cooper on November 30, 2015, Return to Order of the Assembly MR2, asked for by Mr. Barnes on November 30, 2015, and information relating to Written Question WQ9 from 2015 which was not dealt with in the Assembly:

WQ1. As of April 1, 2015, how many Alberta Health Services employees earned more than \$200,000 per year in salary and total benefits?

WQ2. For the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15, how many surgeries were postponed in each Alberta Health Services *high volume surgery site due to system capacity issues*?

WQ3. What was the total cost of overtime payments to all part-time employees of Alberta Health Services for the fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15?

WQ5. For the fiscal years 2009-10 to 2014-15, what was the total amount, and the amount at each level, paid to employees at the *executive level* in the Alberta Health Services Central Zone and what was the total amount paid to management in the Alberta Health Services Central Zone commencing the fiscal year that Zone reporting and the single, province-wide payroll system (E-People) took effect up to and including the fiscal year 2014-2015?

MR2. A list of all severance payments made to Alberta Health Services employees at the management and executive levels, broken down by each individual position, for each of the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15.

Sessional Paper 123/2016

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation:

Return to Order of the Assembly MR9, asked for by Mr. Cooper on May 2, 2016:

Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by the Ministry of Infrastructure between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2015.

Sessional Paper 124/2016

Privilege — Responses to Written Questions and Motions for Returns

Given that the responses to the Written Questions and Motions for Returns that were accepted on November 30, 2015, were tabled earlier today, Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, accepted the Government's apologies for the delay and withdrew the question of privilege.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b) and the Budget 2016 Main Estimates Schedule, the Assembly adjourned at 3:09 p.m. until Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, May 10, 2016