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# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Monday, November 21, 2016

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

The Speaker offered a prayer, and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Members Mr. John M. Thompson, Member for Cardston, 1975 to 1986, who passed away on November 1, 2016, and Mrs. Bonnie M.S. Laing, Member for Calgary-Bow, 1989 to 2001, who passed away on November 11, 2016.

## **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Ms Notley, Premier, made a statement recognizing the life and distinguished career of Hon. Mr. Prentice, former Premier.

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 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.

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**

Ms Miller, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement recognizing November as the first Career Month, spearheaded by the Canadian Council for Career Development and the Career Development Association of Alberta, and acknowledging the work of career development organizations throughout Alberta.

Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills, made a statement regarding the life and distinguished career of Hon. Mr. Prentice, former Premier and former Member for Calgary-Foothills.

Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement regarding the influence Hon. Mr. Prentice, former Premier, had on his decision to run for public office and on his work as a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement regarding the life and distinguished career of Hon. Mr. Prentice, former Premier.

Mr. Sucha, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, made a statement regarding the Calgary Stampeders, who will compete for the 104th Grey Cup on November 27, 2016, and the University of Calgary Dinos, who will compete for the 52nd Vanier Cup on November 26, 2016.

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, made a statement regarding the negative reception received by the Government and its energy policies at the recent Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties conference held in Edmonton on November 17, 2016

#### Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that:

- 1. The 2015 Annual Report of the Alberta Property Rights Advocate Office be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship for the purpose of conducting a review of the recommendations outlined in the Report;
- 2. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
- 3. In accordance with section 5(5) of the Property Rights Advocate Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 60 days of the Report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the systemic problems identified with kinship care and the safety policies governing it, the issues of secrecy still present in the child intervention system and the Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General, and the serious concerns raised about whether the recommendations made by the Child and Youth Advocate are being fully implemented.

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

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Pursuant to the Horse Racing Alberta Act, cH-11.3, s10(2), Horse Racing Alberta, 2015 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 355/2016

Return to Order of the Assembly MR1, asked for by Mr. Cooper on May 2, 2016:

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

Sessional Paper 356/2016

Pursuant to the Results-based Budgeting Act, cR-17.5, s3, Results-based Budgeting, Report to Albertans, November 2016

Sessional Paper 357/2016

Pursuant to the Securities Act, cS-4, s20(2), Alberta Securities Commission, 2016 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 358/2016

Return to Order of the Assembly MR31, asked for by Mr. Fildebrandt on May 2, 2016:

Copies of the responses that the Government received from Albertans through its online survey on their priorities for Budget 2015

Sessional Paper 359/2016

Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-25, s63(2), the Health Information Act, cH-5, s95(2), and the Personal Information Protection Act, cP-6.5, s44(2):

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Alberta, 2015-16 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 360/2016

#### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry:

Pursuant to the Farm Implement Act, cF-7, s42(2), Farmers' Advocate Office, 2015-16 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 361/2016

Pursuant to the Livestock Identification and Commerce Act, cL-16.2, s90(3), and the Stray Animals Act, cS-20, s33(3), Livestock Identification Services Ltd., Report to the Minister and Summary of Activities, Reporting Period: April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016

Sessional Paper 362/2016

Pursuant to the Agriculture Financial Services Act, cA-12, s15(2), Agriculture Financial Services Corporation's Annual Report, 2015-16

Sessional Paper 363/2016

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Eggen, Minister of Education:

Return to Order of the Assembly MR13, asked for by Mr. Cooper on May 2, 2016:

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

Sessional Paper 364/2016

Response to Written Question WQ2, asked for by Mr. Smith on May 2, 2016:

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

Sessional Paper 365/2016

Response to Written Question WQ3, asked for by Mr. Smith on May 2, 2016:

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? Sessional Paper 366/2016

Response to Written Question WQ5, asked for by Mr. Smith on May 2, 2016:

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For the fiscal years from 2010-11 to 2014-15, and from April 1, 2015, to February 29, 2016, what was the cost to the Government to develop and implement the Provincial Approach to Student Information initiative? Sessional Paper 367/2016

Response to Written Question WQ7, asked for by Mr. Smith on May 2, 2016:

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?

Sessional Paper 368/2016

Response to Written Question WQ8, asked for by Mr. Smith on May 2, 2016:

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?

Sessional Paper 369/2016

Pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2), Alberta Teachers' Association, 2015 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 370/2016

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Sabir, Minister of Human Services:

Return to Order of the Assembly MR6, asked for by Mr. Cooper on May 2, 2016:

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

Sessional Paper 371/2016

#### Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the systemic problems identified with kinship care and the safety policies governing it, the issues of secrecy still present in the child intervention system and the Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General, and the serious concerns raised about whether the recommendations made by the Child and Youth Advocate are being fully implemented.

A debate followed on urgency.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was in order. Leave being granted, the Speaker called upon Mr. Cooper, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, to speak to the motion.

A debate on the motion followed pursuant to Standing Order 30(5).

# Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until Tuesday, November 22, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker

Title: Monday, November 21, 2016