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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Tuesday, December 13, 2016

The Speaker took the Chair at 10:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Third time:

Bill 35 Fair Elections Financing Act — MLA Cortes-Vargas on behalf of Hon.
Ms Gray

A debate followed.

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 35, Fair Elections Financing Act, be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

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

For the amendment: 15

Aheer	Hanson	Nixon
Clark	Hunter	Panda
Drysdale	Loewen	Schneider
Ellis	MacIntyre	Starke
Gotfried	McIver	Stier

Against the amendment: 35

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hoffman	Phillips
Babcock	Horne	Piquette
Bilous	Kleinstauber	Renaud
Ceci	Loyola	Rosendahl
Connolly	Malkinson	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	McCuaig-Boyd	Schreiner
Dach	McKitrick	Shepherd
Dang	McPherson	Sucha
Drever	Miller	Swann
Fitzpatrick	Miranda	Westhead
Goehring	Nielsen	Woollard
Hinkley	Payne	

The question for Third Reading of Bill 35, Fair Elections Financing Act, being immediately put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 36

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Payne
Babcock	Hoffman	Phillips
Bilous	Horne	Piquette
Carlier	Kleinstauber	Renaud
Ceci	Loyola	Rosendahl
Connolly	Malkinson	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	McCuaig-Boyd	Schreiner
Dach	McKitrick	Shepherd
Dang	McPherson	Sucha
Drever	Miller	Swann
Fitzpatrick	Miranda	Westhead
Goehring	Nielsen	Woollard

Against the motion: 15

Aheer	Hanson	Nixon
Clark	Hunter	Panda
Drysdale	Loewen	Schneider
Ellis	MacIntyre	Starke
Gotfried	McIver	Stier

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Third time:

Bill 27 Renewable Electricity Act (\$) — Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 27, Renewable Electricity Act (\$), be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

Debate adjourned on the amendment, Mr. MacIntyre speaking.

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 35 Fair Elections Financing Act — Hon. Ms Gray

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2.1), the Assembly adjourned at 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Members’ Statements

Ms Fitzpatrick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding a \$350-million investment in Lethbridge by Cavendish Farms.

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, made a statement congratulating the graduates of the Whitefish Lake First Nation trades education program and commending the elders and First Nation members on the success of this program.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, made a statement regarding the need for all Members of the Legislative Assembly to work together to address the flaws in Alberta’s child intervention system.

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont, made a statement regarding climate change and the benefits of the Government's Climate Leadership Plan, particularly in the Leduc-Beaumont constituency.

Ms McKittrick, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding several arts and culture events at Festival Place in Sherwood Park.

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement congratulating Levi Simpson, Jeremy Buhler, and Zeke Thurston who won world champion gold buckles at the National Finals Rodeo held in Las Vegas from December 1 to 10, 2016.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, presented a petition from approximately 10,000 Albertans urging the Government to take the following measures to improve the treatment and protection of the wolf population in Alberta:

1. prohibit the posting of bounties on wolves by individuals, clubs, special interest groups, or municipalities;
2. abolish the use of poisons, such as strychnine;
3. improve humane standards for the use of snares and make documentation for all snare by-catch mandatory;
4. reduce the six-month trapping season and ten-month hunting season upon wolves;
5. keep an inventory and monitor the wolf populations of Alberta;
6. educate ranchers and promote the non-lethal wolf control methods (e.g., as per those implemented by southern Alberta members of the Mountain Livestock Co-operative); and
7. introduce legislation protecting wolves on public lands, including community grazing pasture.

Dr. Starke, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, presented a petition from several hundred Albertans urging the Government to introduce legislation to repeal the Daylight Saving Time Act and require the observance of Central Standard Time in Alberta throughout the entire year.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Gray, Minister of Labour and Minister Responsible for Democratic Renewal:

Appeals Commission for Alberta Workers' Compensation, Annual Report
2015-2016

Sessional Paper 543/2016

Hon. Mr. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s16(5), and the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s37(4):

Report of Selected Payments to the Members and Former Members of the Legislative Assembly and Persons Directly Associated with Members of the Legislative Assembly, Year Ended March 31, 2016

Sessional Paper 544/2016

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Minister of Economic Development and Trade, pursuant to the Northern Alberta Development Council Act, cN-4, s8:

Northern Alberta Development Council, Annual Report 2015-16

Sessional Paper 545/2016

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Battle River-Wainwright:

Report dated February 2016, entitled “Biomass Innovation: Canada’s Leading Cleantech Opportunity for Greenhouse Gas Reduction and Economic Prosperity,” prepared by Jamie Stephen, Ph.D. and Susan Wood-Bohn, Ph.D.

Sessional Paper 546/2016

Privilege – Allegations Made by the Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow

The Speaker invited Members to speak to the purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 raised by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, on December 12, 2016, regarding allegations made by the Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow that the negligence of the Minister of Human Services resulted in a murderer walking free.

The Speaker heard from Mr. Clark and Mr. Cooper. He advised that he would defer his ruling to a later date.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

30. Moved by Hon. Ms Ganley on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the November 2016 report of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices (Sessional Paper 347/2016) and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Ms Jill Clayton be reappointed the Information and Privacy Commissioner for the Province of Alberta for a five-year term commencing February 1, 2017

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

33. Oral notice having been given December 12, 2016, moved by Hon. Ms Ganley on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the following changes to:

- A. the Standing Committee on Families and Communities be approved:
that Ms Miller replace MLA McPherson,
that Mrs. Aheer replace Mr. Smith,
that Mr. Orr replace Mr. Smith as Deputy Chair;
- B. the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future be approved:
that Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Hunter,
that Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Schneider as Deputy Chair,
that Mr. Smith replace Mr. Panda,
that Mr. Drysdale replace Ms Jansen;
- C. the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices be approved;
that MLA Drever replace Ms Jabbour,
that Mrs. Pitt replace Mr. Cooper;
- D. the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be approved:
that Mr. Cyr replace Mr. Fildebrandt as Chair,
that Mr. Panda replace Mr. Hunter;
- E. the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services be approved:
that Mr. Orr replace Mr. Fildebrandt;
- F. the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship be approved:
that Mr. Hunter replace Mrs. Aheer,
that Mr. Hunter replace Mr. Loewen as Deputy Chair.

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills, moved that the motion be amended as follows:

- A. Part A is amended
 - (a) by striking out "that Mrs. Aheer replace Mr. Smith" and substituting "that Mrs. Aheer replace Mr. Orr", and
 - (b) by striking out "that Mr. Orr replace Mr. Smith as Deputy Chair".
- B. Part B is amended by striking out "that Mr. Smith replace Mr. Panda" and substituting "that Mr. Orr replace Mr. Panda".

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

The question being put, the motion as amended was agreed to.

34. Oral notice having been given on December 12, 2016, moved by Hon. Ms Ganley on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. A Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed, consisting of the following Members, namely:

Shepherd (Chair)	Horne	Pitt
Malkinson (Deputy Chair)	Kleinsteinuber	Woollard
Ellis	Littlewood	van Dijken

for the purpose of inviting applications for the position of Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner, and to recommend to the Assembly the applicant it considers most suitable to this position.

2. Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for advertising, staff assistance, equipment and supplies, rent, travel, and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chair.
3. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of members of the public service employed in that department, and of the staff employed by the Assembly.
4. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued.
5. When its work has been completed, the Committee shall report to the Assembly if it is sitting; during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued, the Committee may release its report by depositing a copy with the Clerk and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Third time:

Bill 27 Renewable Electricity Act (\$) — Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, on December 13, 2016, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 27, Renewable Electricity Act (\$), be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The question for Third Reading of Bill 27, Renewable Electricity Act (\$), being immediately put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 37

Carlier	Kleinsteuber	Payne
Carson	Larivee	Phillips
Connolly	Littlewood	Piquette
Coolahan	Loyola	Renaud
Dach	Luff	Rosendahl
Dang	Malkinson	Schmidt
Eggen	McCuaig-Boyd	Schreiner
Feehan	McKitrick	Sigurdson
Fitzpatrick	McLean	Sucha
Ganley	McPherson	Sweet
Goehring	Miller	Turner
Horne	Miranda	Westhead
Jansen		

Against the motion: 14

Aheer	Hunter	Schneider
Drysdale	Loewen	Strankman
Fildebrandt	MacIntyre	van Dijken
Gotfried	Nixon	Yao
Hanson	Pitt	

On the motion that the following Bill we now read a Third time:

Bill 25 Oil Sands Emissions Limit Act — Hon. Ms Phillips

A debate followed.

Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of the afternoon.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 25, Oil Sands Emissions Limit Act, be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The question for Third Reading of Bill 25, Oil Sands Emissions Limit Act, being immediately put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Sweet in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 38

Carlier	Jansen	Miranda
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Payne
Connolly	Larivee	Piquette
Coolahan	Littlewood	Renaud
Dach	Loyola	Rosendahl
Dang	Luff	Schmidt
Eggen	Malkinson	Schreiner
Feehan	Mason	Sigurdson
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Sucha
Ganley	McKitrick	Swann
Goehring	McLean	Turner
Gray	McPherson	Westhead
Horne	Miller	

Against the motion: 16

Aheer	Hunter	Pitt
Drysdale	Loewen	Schneider
Fildebrandt	MacIntyre	Strankman
Fraser	McIver	van Dijken
Gotfried	Nixon	Yao
Hanson		

On the motion that the following Bill we now read a Third time:

Bill 34 Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2016 (\$) — Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

A debate followed.

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 34, Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2016 (\$), be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The question for Third Reading of Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2016 (\$) being immediately put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Wanner in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 39

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Miller
Carlier	Jansen	Miranda
Carson	Kleinsteuber	Payne
Connolly	Larivee	Piquette
Coolahan	Littlewood	Renaud
Dach	Loyola	Rosendahl
Dang	Luff	Schmidt
Eggen	Malkinson	Schreiner
Feehan	Mason	Shepherd
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Sigurdson
Ganley	McKitrick	Sucha
Goehring	McLean	Turner
Gray	McPherson	Westhead

Against the motion: 15

Aheer	Gotfried	Pitt
Clark	Hanson	Schneider
Drysdale	Hunter	Strankman
Fildebrandt	MacIntyre	van Dijken
Fraser	Nixon	Yao

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 25 Oil Sands Emissions Limit Act — Hon. Ms Phillips

Bill 27 Renewable Electricity Act (\$) — Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

Bill 34 Electric Utilities Amendment Act, 2016 (\$) — Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 22 agreed to on November 1, 2016, and on advice from Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, to the Assembly that the business for the Fall Sitting is concluded, the Assembly adjourned at 5:20 p.m. until February 2017.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner,
Speaker