

No. 12

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Ninth Legislature

Wednesday, March 22, 2017

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

Members' Statements

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie, made a statement regarding the Wildrose caucus's Alberta Crime Task Force and online survey, which will provide recommendations to the Government in response to the increase in crime and the shortage of Crown prosecutors.

MLA Connolly, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hawkwood, made a statement regarding the Visit a Mosque event held at the Al-Salam Centre in Calgary on March 19, 2017, and the need for all Albertans and Members of the Legislative Assembly to take action to stop hatred against Muslim and Jewish communities.

Mr. Fraser, Hon. Member for Calgary-South East, made a statement regarding how Members of the Legislative Assembly should respect Albertans' concerns by using tempered language and respectful dialogue in the Assembly.

Mrs. Littlewood, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding the 8th Commonwealth Youth Parliament held in Victoria, British Columbia, from November 6 to 10, 2016, attended by Mrs. Littlewood and Legislative Assembly of Alberta Pages Avery Roberge-Eadie and Andriy Krugliak.

Mr. Hinkley, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding how the Government's energy efficiency programs and using energy efficient LED bulbs will help Alberta families save money.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding how the Government's policies do not support the energy industry.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

MLA McPherson, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following report:

In accordance with Standing Order 99, the Standing Committee on Private Bills has reviewed the petitions that were presented on Monday, March 20, 2017, and I can advise the Assembly that the petitions comply with Standing Orders 90 to 94.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 204 Protection of Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2017 — Mr. Stier

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon:

Copy of a petition signed by 22 Drayton Valley residents requesting that age restrictions in condominiums continue to be permitted if a change is made to the Alberta Human Rights Act and to allow restrictive covenants to be registered on the land title to ensure safety and security for seniors' buildings

Sessional Paper 116/2017

3 recent letters from Alberta Hospital Edmonton psychiatrists to Hon. Ms Hoffman, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health, expressing concern regarding the planned closure of beds at Alberta Hospital Edmonton, relating to comments made by Mr. Smith during Oral Question Period on March 21, 2017

Sessional Paper 117/2017

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Excerpts from the Alberta Mental Health Patient Advocate Annual Report 2014-2015, relating to comments made by Dr. Swann during Oral Question Period on March 22, 2017

Sessional Paper 118/2017

Executive summary excerpt of a report dated February 16, 2015, entitled "Farm Worker Insurance Study," prepared by Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development

Sessional Paper 119/2017

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

Letter dated March 9, 2017, from Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, to Hon. Mr. Mason, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, providing the text of a statement made by Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, on April 4, 2014

Sessional Paper 120/2017

Privilege - Passage of Government Motion 16

The Speaker invited Members to speak to the purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 raised by Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, on March 21, 2017, regarding the consequences to Members of the Legislative Assembly following the passage of Government Motion 16.

The Speaker heard from Hon. Ms Ganley and advised that he would defer his ruling to a later date.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

13. Moved by Hon. Mr. Ceci:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

A debate followed.

Ms Renaud moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 4 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2017 (\$) — Hon. Ms Ganley on behalf of Hon. Min. Ceci

A debate followed.

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: 38

Hinkley Phillips Carlier Carson Hoffman Piquette Horne Ceci Renaud Rosendahl Connolly Kazim Cortes-Vargas Kleinsteuber Sabir Schreiner Dach Larivee Shepherd Dang Littlewood Drever Luff Sucha Eggen Malkinson Sweet Feehan McCuaig-Boyd Turner Ganley McLean Westhead Woollard Goehring Miller

Gray Payne

Against the motion: 10

BarnesFraserPittCooperGillTaylorEllisGotfriedvan Dijken

Fildebrandt

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

Bill 5 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2017 (\$) — Hon. Ms Ganley on behalf of Hon. Min. Ceci

A debate followed.

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

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: 37

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Hinkley

Against the motion: 10

Barnes Gill Swann
Cooper Gotfried Taylor
Ellis Pitt van Dijken

Fildebrandt

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 4 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2017 (\$) — Hon. Min. Ceci

Bill 5 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2017 (\$) — Hon. Min. Ceci

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 2 An Act to Remove Barriers for Survivors of Sexual and Domestic Violence — Hon. Ms Ganley

Ms Sweet, Deputy Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 2 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 121/2017

Amendment to Bill 2 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 122/2017

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, and pursuant to the Budget 2017 Main Estimates Schedule, the Assembly adjourned at 5:22 p.m. until Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker