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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

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Thursday, April 13, 2017

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

Members' Statements

MLA McPherson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill, made a statement regarding Alberta's history of flight and the Hangar Flight Museum in Calgary.

Mr. MacIntyre, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, made a statement regarding Passover.

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, made a statement regarding how the Alberta Party's shadow budget would put Alberta back on a path to prosperity.

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, made a statement regarding the difficulty Edmonton-Meadowlark constituents face in finding quality, affordable child care with flexible hours, and the Government's recent announcement of the creation of 22 Early Learning and Child Care Centres.

Ms Miller, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding the many benefits of two new obstetrical surgery rooms at the Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre.

Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills, made a statement recognizing the East Indian festival of Vaisakhi, and wishing Christians a happy Easter.

Notices of Motions

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work collaboratively with the Law Society of Alberta and the Provincial Court Judges' Association of Alberta to ensure that anyone being considered for appointment as a judge of the Provincial Court of Alberta has successfully completed a comprehensive education on the current state of the law with regard to any crime of a sexual nature, and that continuing education plans for judges and lawyers involved with victims of sexual offences are adequate in respect of matters related to crimes of a sexual nature, including instruction in evidentiary prohibitions, principles of consent and the conduct of sexual offence proceedings, as well as education regarding myths and stereotypes associated with sexual offence complainants.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition:

Excerpt from the Law Society of Alberta Code of Conduct, relating to comments made by Mr. McIver during Oral Question Period on April 13, 2017

Sessional Paper 174/2017

Letter dated December 6, 2016, unsigned, from the Calgary Engineers and Designers Forum to Hon. Ms Gray, Minister of Labour and Minister Responsible for Democratic Renewal, Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd, Minister of Energy, and Hon. Mr. Bilous, Minister of Economic Development and Trade, regarding the high unemployment rate of engineers in Calgary and asking what strategies and initiatives the Government may have to create more engineering jobs

Sessional Paper 175/2017

Letter dated January 19, 2017, unsigned, from the Calgary Engineers and Designers Forum to Dr. Steve Hrudey, President, Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta, regarding proposals for consideration concerning issues faced by unemployed engineers and technologists

Sessional Paper 176/2017

Letter dated January 19, 2017, unsigned, from the Calgary Engineers and Designers Forum to Kim Allen, CEO, Engineers Canada, regarding proposals for consideration concerning issues faced by unemployed engineers and technologists

Sessional Paper 177/2017

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health:

Calgary Herald article dated January 27, 2009, entitled "Alberta eagerly awaits historic spending budget," relating to comments made by Hon. Ms Hoffman during Oral Question Period on April 13, 2017

Sessional Paper 178/2017

MLA McPherson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill:

University of Alberta ABlawg article dated November 3, 2015, entitled "When Judicial Decisions Go From Wrong to Wrongful – How Should the Legal System Respond?"

Sessional Paper 179/2017

Globe and Mail website article dated April 5, 2017, entitled "Rona Ambrose played role in Robin Camp appointment, former justice minister says"

Sessional Paper 180/2017

Letter dated December 22, 2015, from Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, to The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, PC, CJC, Chairperson, Canadian Judicial Council, requesting an inquiry into the conduct of Justice Robin Camp when he was sitting as a judge of the Provincial Court of Alberta in the matter of Regina v. Alexander Scott Wagar

Sessional Paper 181/2017

Report dated November 29, 2016, entitled "In the Matter of an Inquiry Pursuant to s.63(1) of the Judges Act Regarding the Honourable Justice Robin Camp, Report and Recommendation of the Inquiry Committee to the Canadian Judicial Council"

Sessional Paper 182/2017

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre:

Edmonton Journal article dated April 12, 2017, entitled "Paula Simons: Why is Alberta's information and privacy commissioner being kept in the dark?"

Sessional Paper 183/2017

Motions Under Standing Order 42

Mr. Jean, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

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Unanimous consent to proceed was granted.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Ms Hoffman, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health, and pursuant to Standing Order 3(3), the Assembly adjourned at 4:15 p.m. until Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, April 18, 2018