



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 43

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Ninth Legislature

Thursday, June 1, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 18 Child Protection and Accountability Act — Hon. Ms Larivee

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 17 Fair and Family-friendly Workplaces Act — Hon. Ms Gray

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, moved that the Bill be amended by adding the following after section 98:

Review by committee of Legislative Assembly

98.1 Within 5 years of the coming into force of Part 1 of the Fair and Family-friendly Workplaces Act, a committee of the Legislative Assembly must begin a comprehensive review of the amendments made by that Act to the Employment Standards Code and its impact on Alberta's economy, and must submit to the Assembly, within one year after beginning the review, a report that includes any amendments recommended by the committee.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Sweet at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 8

Anderson (Highwood)	Gill	Loewen
Cyr	Hanson	Stier
Drysdale	Hunter	

Against the amendment: 40

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Jansen	Phillips
Bilous	Kazim	Piquette
Carlier	Kleinsteuber	Renaud
Carson	Larivee	Rosendahl
Clark	Littlewood	Sabir
Connolly	Loyola	Schmidt
Coolahan	Malkinson	Schreiner
Cortes-Vargas	McLean	Shepherd
Dach	McPherson	Sigurdson
Drever	Miller	Sucha
Eggen	Miranda	Swann
Feehan	Nielsen	Turner
Fitzpatrick	Payne	Woollard
Goehring		

Mr. Gill, Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway, on behalf of Mr. McIver, Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition, moved that the Bill be amended in section 9, in the proposed section 12(2)(b), by adding “, unless the deduction would reduce the wage of the employee below the minimum wage to which the employee is entitled” after “authorized to be deducted by a collective agreement that is binding on the employee”.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Sucha at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 8

Anderson (Highwood)	Gill	Loewen
Cyr	Hanson	Stier
Drysdale	Hunter	

Against the amendment: 37

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Jansen	Payne
Bilous	Kazim	Phillips
Carlier	Kleinsteuber	Piquette
Carson	Larivee	Renaud
Connolly	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Loyola	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Malkinson	Schmidt
Dach	McLean	Schreiner
Drever	McPherson	Shepherd
Eggen	Miller	Sigurdson
Feehan	Miranda	Turner
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	Woollard
Goehring		

Mr. Cyr, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, moved that the Bill be amended by striking out section 112.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Sucha at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 6

Anderson (Highwood)	Drysdale	Hunter
Cyr	Gill	Loewen

Against the amendment: 37

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Jansen	Payne
Bilous	Kazim	Phillips
Carlier	Kleinsteuber	Piquette
Carson	Larivee	Renaud
Connolly	Littlewood	Rosendahl
Coolahan	Loyola	Sabir
Cortes-Vargas	Malkinson	Schmidt
Dach	McLean	Schreiner
Drever	McPherson	Shepherd
Eggen	Miller	Sigurdson
Feehan	Miranda	Turner
Fitzpatrick	Nielsen	Woollard
Goehring		

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 17 Fair and Family-friendly Workplaces Act — Hon. Ms Gray

Mr. Dach, Acting 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 17 (A9) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon on May 31, 2017) — Defeated

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Amendment to Bill 17 (A10) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Defeated on division

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Amendment to Bill 17 (A11) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Greenway on behalf of the Hon. Leader of the Progressive Conservative Opposition) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 340/2017

Amendment to Bill 17 (A12) (Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake) — Defeated on division

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Amendment to Bill 17 (A13) (Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner) — Adjourned

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Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Carlier, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:56 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2017 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement regarding the Government's proposed changes to Alberta's Employment Standards Code and Labour Relations Code and the Wildrose Opposition's lack of support for unionized and public sector workers.

Mr. Stier, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding the proposed unity agreement between Alberta's two conservative political parties and Mr. Stier's work on that agreement.

Mr. Clark, Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow, made a statement regarding the Government's policies during the economic downturn and during its recovery.

Ms Babcock, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding several organizations in Stony Plain and area who have received Government Community Facility Enhancement Program and Community Initiatives Program grants.

Mr. Hinkley, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement recognizing June 2017 as National Aboriginal History Month and June 21, 2017, as National Aboriginal Day in Canada.

Mr. Strankman, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding the lack of Government support and protection for landowners affected by energy projects.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 208 Government Organization (Utilities Consumer Advocate) Amendment Act, 2017 — Mr. Hinkley

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane:

Wildrose website article dated December 2, 2013, entitled "Anderson releases statement on Bills 45 and 46," relating to Mr. Westhead's Member's Statement on June 1, 2017

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

22. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the report of the Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee tabled in the Assembly on May 25, 2017, and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Marianne Ryan be appointed as Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner for the Province of Alberta for a five year term, effective July 1, 2017.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

23. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason

Be it resolved that:

1. A Select Special Auditor General Search Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed, consisting of the following Members, namely:

Shepherd (Chair)	Gill	Littlewood
Malkinson (Deputy Chair)	Horne	van Dijken
Cyr	Kleinsteuber	Woollard

for the purpose of inviting applications for the position of Auditor General, 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.

24. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason

Be it resolved that the following committee membership changes be made:

- A. on the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, that Mr. Panda replace Mr. Orr, and that Mr. Gill replace Mr. Drysdale;
- B. on the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, that Mr. Orr replace Mrs. Pitt;
- C. on the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, that Mr. Gill replace Mr. Ellis.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

25. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. The 2016 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.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

26. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. The Missing Persons Act be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities and the Committee shall be deemed to be the special committee of the Assembly for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review pursuant to section 13 of that Act;
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 13 of the Missing Persons Act, the Committee must submit its report to the Assembly within one year after beginning its review and that report is to include any amendments recommended by the Committee.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Third Reading

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

Bill 16 An Act to Cap Regulated Electricity Rates (\$) — Hon. Mr. S. Anderson on behalf of Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

A debate followed.

The question being 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: 33

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Hinkley	Phillips
Babcock	Hoffman	Piquette
Bilous	Horne	Renaud
Carlier	Larivee	Rosendahl
Carson	Littlewood	Schmidt
Cortes-Vargas	Loyola	Schreiner
Dang	Mason	Shepherd
Eggen	McLean	Sigurdson
Feehan	Miller	Sweet
Goehring	Nielsen	Turner
Gray	Payne	Woollard

Against the motion: 7

Anderson (Highwood)	Loewen	Starke
Hanson	MacIntyre	Stier
Hunter		

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 16 An Act to Cap Regulated Electricity Rates (\$) —Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 17 Fair and Family-friendly Workplaces Act — Hon. Ms Gray

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, on June 1, 2017, that the Bill be amended in section 15(c), in the proposed section 23, by adding the following after subsection (4):

(5) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Division, an employee and employer may agree that the employee may work overtime hours in order to have time off with pay and the employer shall provide time off with pay instead of overtime pay, which shall be paid at the employee's wage rate at a time that the employee could have worked and received wages from the employer.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Sweet at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 5

Anderson (Highwood)	Loewen	Stier
Hanson	Starke	

Against the amendment: 33

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Gray	Payne
Babcock	Hinkley	Phillips
Bilous	Hoffman	Piquette
Carlier	Horne	Renaud
Carson	Larivee	Rosendahl
Cortes-Vargas	Littlewood	Schmidt
Dach	Loyola	Schreiner
Dang	Mason	Shepherd
Eggen	McLean	Sigurdson
Feehan	Miller	Turner
Goehring	Nielsen	Woollard

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 17 Fair and Family-friendly Workplaces Act — Hon. Ms Gray

Mr. Rosendahl, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 17 (A13) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner on June 1, 2017) — Defeated on division
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Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, that it be called 4:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 4:27 p.m. until Monday, June 5, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, June 1, 2017