



**Legislative Assembly
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

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Thursday, November 16, 2017

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

Members' Statements

MLA Connolly, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hawkwood, made a statement regarding the construction progress on the Calgary Cancer Centre.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie, made a statement regarding the importance of a sustainable funding model for nurse practitioners and encouraged the Government to act on this issue.

MLA McPherson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill, made a statement regarding the prevalence of sexual assault and sexual harassment, and actions taken to address the problem and support survivors who come forward.

Mr. Kleinsteuber, Hon. Member for Calgary-Northern Hills, made a statement regarding On-It Regional Transit, a public transit initiative of the Calgary Regional Partnership that services the Calgary metropolitan area.

Mr. Sucha, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, made a statement regarding two upcoming football playoff games, one to be held on November 18, 2017, between the University of Calgary Dinos and the Université Laval Rouge et Or, the winner advancing to the Vanier Cup, and the other between the Edmonton Eskimos and the Calgary Stampeders to advance to the 105th Grey Cup, and regarding concerns raised by indigenous communities about the Edmonton Eskimos' team name.

MLA Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, made a statement regarding Government efforts to make the election system more transparent, and commenting on contributions made in support of Jason Kenney, Leader of the United Conservative Party.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, presented a petition from nearly 2,000 Albertans urging the Government to declare a moratorium on logging in the Upper Highwood near the junctions of Highways 541, 40, and 940 immediately and urging the Government of Alberta to assess the impact of clear-cutting in all of Kananaskis.

The petition put forth by Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie, was not in order to be presented.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 26 An Act to Control and Regulate Cannabis – Hon. Ms Ganley

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie:

Letter dated November 15, 2017, from Dr. Jonathan Somerville, BSc, MD, CCFP, Greenwood Family Physicians, to the Government of Alberta, urging the Government to consider the role of nurse practitioners in addressing the problem of access to health care in Alberta

Sessional Paper 557/2017

Letter dated November 6, 2017, from Al Kemmere, President, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, to Eric Lavoie, President, Nurse Practitioners Association of Alberta, expressing support for a nurse practitioner funding model

Sessional Paper 558/2017

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

Pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s1(2), 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, 2017

Sessional Paper 559/2017

Response to Written Question WQ11, asked for by Mr. Cooper on May 1, 2017:

What is the total dollar amount of public property lost due to theft in each Ministry in each fiscal year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?

Sessional Paper 560/2017

Response to Written Question WQ12, asked for by Mr. Fildebrandt on May 1, 2017:

What groups were given invitations to the Government's Budget 2017 consultations?

Sessional Paper 561/2017

Response to Written Question WQ13, asked for by Mr. Fildebrandt on May 1, 2017:

As of March 1, 2017, how many individuals were employed by the Government, and of that number how many were classified as managers or above?

Sessional Paper 562/2017

Response to Written Question WQ15, asked for by Mr. Fildebrandt on May 1, 2017:

As of March 1, 2017, what was the unfunded liability for each of the following public sector pension plans: the Local Authorities Pension Plan, the Public Service Pension Plan, the Management Employees Pension Plan, and the Special Forces Pension Plan?

Sessional Paper 563/2017

Response to Written Question WQ16, asked for by Mr. MacIntyre on May 1, 2017:

Has the Government spent any money on carbon offsets, and if so, what is the amount, broken down by Ministry, in each fiscal year from 2013-14 to 2016-17?

Sessional Paper 564/2017

Return to Order of the Assembly MR17, asked for by Mr. Fildebrandt on May 1, 2017:

Copies of all Budget Restraint memos issued by the Government between April 1, 2013, and March 1, 2017

Sessional Paper 565/2017

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Report dated Autumn 2017, entitled "Metropolitan Outlook 1," prepared by the Conference Board of Canada

Sessional Paper 566/2017

Mr. Sucha, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw:

ATB Financial The Owl website article dated November 1, 2017, entitled "Restaurant and bar receipts continue to impress"

Sessional Paper 567/2017

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

Report, undated, entitled “The Interactive Impacts of High School Gay-Straight Alliances (GSAs) on College Student Attitudes Toward LGBT Individuals: An Investigation of High School Characteristics,” prepared by Meredith G. F. Worthen, Ph.D., relating to comments made by MLA McPherson in the Assembly regarding Bill 24, An Act to Support Gay-Straight Alliances

Sessional Paper 568/2017

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Notley, Premier:

Response to Written Question WQ14, asked for by Mr. Fildebrandt on May 1, 2017:

Was an open competition held to fill the most recent vacancy of the Managing Director for the Public Affairs Bureau, if so, how many days was it advertised, where was it advertised, and how many applications were received?

Sessional Paper 569/2017

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks and Minister Responsible for the Climate Change Office:

Return to Order of the Assembly MR6, asked for by Mr. MacIntyre on May 1, 2017:

Copies of all economic impact assessments and consultation reports prepared by the Government between May 24, 2015, and March 1, 2017, regarding the carbon levy.

Sessional Paper 570/2017

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Ganley, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General:

Pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s5(4), Law Society of Alberta, Annual Report 2016

Sessional Paper 571/2017

Pursuant to the Fatal Accidents Act, cF-8, s9(2), Review of Damage Amounts Under Section 8 of the Fatal Accidents Act, Fall 2017

Sessional Paper 572/2017

Response to Written Question WQ4, asked for by Mr. Cyr on May 1, 2017:

What are the protocols for Alberta correctional services staff when dealing with an inmate in *segregation*?

Sessional Paper 573/2017

Response to Written Question WQ6, asked for by Mr. Cyr on May 1, 2017:

In each fiscal year from 2010-11 to 2016-17, how many *assault* incidents were there in Alberta correctional and remand centres that resulted in serious injury to inmates?

Sessional Paper 574/2017

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

32. Oral notice having been given November 15, 2017, moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that:

1. The Conflicts of Interest Act be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship 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 48 of that Act;
2. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
3. The Committee may take into consideration any material prepared for, or submissions provided to, the Select Special Ethics and Accountability Committee;
4. In accordance with section 48 of the Conflicts of Interest 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.

33. Oral notice having been given November 15, 2017, moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), commencing November 27, 2017, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business for the duration of the Third Session of the 29th Legislature 2017 Fall Sitting unless the Government House Leader notifies the Assembly that there shall be no evening sitting that day by providing notice under Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or at any time prior to 6 p.m.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 28 School Amendment Act, 2017 — Hon. Mr. Eggen

Hon. Mr. Eggen moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 29 An Act to Reduce Cannabis and Alcohol Impaired Driving — Hon.
Mr. Mason

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Westhead, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, and pursuant to Government Motion 27 agreed to on October 31, 2017, the Assembly adjourned at 4:00 p.m. until Monday, November 27, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 16, 2017