



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Monday, March 11, 2013

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

Speaker's Statement - Commonwealth Day

The Speaker made a statement and read a message from Her Majesty the Queen in recognition of Commonwealth Day 2013.

Members' Statements

Dr. Brown, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill, made a statement recognizing Marilyn Gunn of Calgary, founder of the Community Kitchens program and recipient of an Alberta Centennial Medal and a Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie, made a statement regarding the provincial debt.

Ms Johnson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement regarding highlights of the 2013 budget.

Mr. Dorward, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the Basketball Alberta youth provincial championships held in Calgary on March 8 and 9, 2013.

Mr. Lemke, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the 2012 Alberta Winter Games held in Stony Plain, Spruce Grove, and Parkland County from February 9 to 12, 2012.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding safety standards for child farm workers and unpaid farm workers.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Ms Kennedy-Glans, Chair, Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, presented the following pursuant to Standing Order 52.07(4):

Report dated March 2013 entitled “Review of the Potential for Expanded Hydroelectric Energy Production in Northern Alberta”

Sessional Paper 481/2012-13

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 13 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2013 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

Document, undated, entitled “Proposed Bill 1, An Act to End Poverty in the Province of Alberta, 2012,” prepared by Poverty Talks!

Sessional Paper 482/2012-13

Email message, undated, from Ayuz Mukadam of Calgary to Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, expressing concern regarding the unemployment of university graduates

Sessional Paper 483/2012-13

Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview:

4 recent email messages to petition@albertandp.ca regarding the 2013 budget

Sessional Paper 484/2012-13

Mr. Saskiw, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills:

2 recent email messages from Tracy Kjenner and Jacques Plante to several Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concern regarding the rerouting of medevac services to the Edmonton International Airport

Sessional Paper 485/2012-13

Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Email message dated March 8, 2013, from Gordon Steele to Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, expressing opposition to Alberta's 10 per cent flat income tax

Sessional Paper 486/2012-13

Council of Alberta University Students newsletter dated March 2013 entitled "Long-Term Thinking in Post-Secondary"

Sessional Paper 487/2012-13

Email message dated March 11, 2013, from Dillon Hargreaves, President, Lethbridge College Students' Association, to Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, expressing concern regarding the cancellation of the Summer Temporary Employment Program

Sessional Paper 488/2012-13

Email message dated March 5, 2013, from Marianne Cole, Human Resources Chairman, Hastings Lake Lutheran Bible Camp, to Mr. Anglin, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre, expressing concern regarding the cancellation of the Summer Temporary Employment Program

Sessional Paper 489/2012-13

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Letter dated March 7, 2013, from Neil Wilkinson, Ethics Commissioner, to Chandra L. Flett, Flett Manning Moore Barristers and Solicitors, responding to a February 13, 2013, request for an investigation concerning Hon. Mr. Scott, Associate Minister of Accountability, Transparency and Transformation

Sessional Paper 490/2012-13

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Hon. Dr. Starke, Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to transfer the sponsorship of Bill 206, Tobacco Reduction (Flavoured Tobacco Products) Amendment Act, 2012, to Mr. Fraser, Hon. Member for Calgary-South East.

Speaker's Statement - Bill 207 Title

Honourable Members, as you are already aware, this Spring Sitting commenced as a continuation of the First Session of the 28th Legislature. As a result, all matters present on the Order Paper at the conclusion of the last sitting remain on the Order Paper for the Assembly's continued consideration. Members will note in tomorrow's Order Paper that a small amendment will have been made to the title of Bill 207, which appears in the "Notices" section of the Order Paper, to reflect the current year, 2013.

Bills introduced in 2012 that contain the year in their title will continue to bear that title because they have already been introduced as such. However, should these Bills reach the Committee of the Whole stage, Members may wish to bring forward amendments to the Bills to reflect the current year in the title so that members of the public will know to locate these Acts in the 2013 volume of the Statutes of Alberta.

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

WQ20. Asked for by Mr. Hehr:

Which companies have been granted royalty credits by the Department of Energy through the Incremental Ethane Extraction Program since its inception to December 31, 2011, and what is the value of the credits?

WQ21. Asked for by Mr. Hehr:

As of June 1, 2012, what was the value of unpaid oil and gas royalties that were in dispute?

WQ22. Asked for by Dr. Sherman:

What is the breakdown of operating expenses listed under the heading "Data Communications" for 2009-2010, as reported in Note 12 to the Financial Statements of the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (Solicitor General and Public Security Annual Report, 2009-10, p. 113)?

WQ23. Asked for by Dr. Swann:

What is the percentage of new graduates from registered nursing programs in Alberta post-secondary institutions who gained employment with Alberta Health Services in each of the fiscal years 2008-2009 to 2011-2012?

The following Written Question was accepted as amended:

WQ10. Moved by Mr. Hale:

For the fiscal year 2012-2013, how many oil and gas operations paying reduced royalties will reach their payout stage and what effect will that have on non-renewable resource revenue?

Hon. Mr. Hughes, Minister of Energy, moved that the motion be amended to read:

For the fiscal year 2012-2013, how many *oil sands producers* paying reduced royalties will reach their payout stage and what effect will that have on non-renewable resource revenue?

The following Written Question was rejected:

WQ9. Moved by Mrs. Towle on behalf of Mrs. Forsyth:

What is the ratio of front line staff to patients or residents at long-term care facilities, seniors' lodges, and continuing care facilities, with ratios differentiated between public and private facilities?

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 18

Anderson	Donovan	Sherman
Anglin	Forsyth	Stier
Barnes	Hale	Strankman
Bikman	McAllister	Swann
Bilous	Rowe	Towle
Blakeman	Saskiw	Wilson

Against the motion: 40

Allen	Hancock	Oberle
Bhardwaj	Horner	Olesen
Brown	Hughes	Olson
Calahasen	Jeneroux	Pastoor
Casey	Johnson (Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater)	Quadri
Cusanelli	Johnson (Calgary-Glenmore)	Quest
Dallas	Khan	Rodney
Denis	Klimchuk	Sandhu
Dorward	Kubinec	Sarich
Drysdale	Lemke	Scott
Fenske	Leskiw	Starke
Fraser	McDonald	VanderBurg
Goudreau	McQueen	Weadick
Griffiths		

Motions Other Than Government Motions

505. Moved by Mr. Strankman:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to amend the Alberta Bill of Rights to ensure that all Albertans have an inalienable right to full, fair, and timely compensation with recourse to the courts when a new government initiative negatively impacts the value of their property.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 10

Anderson	Hale	Stier
Barnes	Pedersen	Strankman
Bikman	Rowe	Towle
Donovan		

Against the motion: 36

Allen	Hancock	Olson
Bhardwaj	Hughes	Pastoor
Bilous	Jeneroux	Quadri
Calahasen	Johnson (Calgary-Glenmore)	Quest
Casey	Khan	Rodney
Dallas	Klimchuk	Sandhu
Denis	Kubinec	Sarich
Dorward	Lemke	Scott
Drysdale	McDonald	Starke
Fenske	McQueen	VanderBurg
Goudreau	Oberle	Weadick
Griffiths	Olesen	Young

Adjournment

The Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 6:10 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2013 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 12 Fiscal Management Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

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

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

Bill 11 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2013 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McQueen on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horner

Government Motions

20. Oral notice having been given December 3, 2012, moved by Hon. Mr. Horner:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur with the continuation of the Alberta Treasury Branches Act.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:00 p.m. until Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky,
Speaker

Title: Monday, March 11, 2013