

No. 50

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Eighth Legislature

Wednesday, April 24, 2013

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

Members' Statements

Mrs. Towle, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, made a statement regarding budget cuts affecting coverage for insulin pumps.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement recognizing the one-year anniversary of the provincial election held on April 23, 2012, and commenting on Government policies and New Democrat Party promises.

Ms Johnson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement recognizing the support of family and friends to all Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement recognizing April 24, 2013, as the 98th anniversary of the Armenian genocide.

Ms Olesen, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the Sherwood Park Music Festival held from April 15 to 21, 2013.

Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement recognizing April 28, 2013, as National Day of Mourning, commemorating workers who have been killed, injured or suffered illness due to workplace related hazards and incidents.

Presenting Petitions

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, presented a petition from 389 Albertans urging the Government to take the necessary measures, including the introduction of proposed amendments to existing legislation, to ensure the preservation and enhancement of the pheasant release program, which has been an important part of Alberta's hunting tradition, heritage, and culture for over 65 years.

Privilege - Debate on Bill 20, Appropriation Act, 2013

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, gave oral notice of her intention to raise a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding her belief that her rights and privileges as a Member of the Legislative Assembly to, within reason, identify, draw attention to, delay, and debate items that she feels need attention and discussion pursuant to Bill 20, Appropriation Act, 2013, have been trampled upon by unwarranted, unnecessary, and excessive use of the extensive powers the Government has to limit debate under the current Standing Orders.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill Pr1 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Canada Act — Mr. Dorward

Bill Pr2 Wild Rose Agricultural Producers Amendment Act, 2013 — Mr. McDonald

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Copy of a petition signed by 111 Albertans urging the Government to use the present conditions in the lives of Alberta's children as the lens to view and revise its policies to eliminate child poverty and its many manifestations in Alberta

Sessional Paper 735/2012-13

Copy of a petition signed by 121 Albertans urging the Government to take immediate action to regulate electricity prices, recognizing that electricity is an essential service

Sessional Paper 736/2012-13

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

Letter dated April 23, 2013, from Patrick Wyse, eye physician and surgeon, of Calgary to Ms Jansen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, regarding contract negotiations between the Government and the Alberta Medical Association

Sessional Paper 737/2012-13

Ms Smith, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Employment contract between Alberta Health Services and Alison Tonge dated November 4, 2009, relating to comments made by Ms Smith during Oral Question Period

Sessional Paper 738/2012-13

Copies of several expense claim forms for Joanne Stalinsky, relating to comments made by Ms Smith during Oral Question Period

Sessional Paper 739/2012-13

Copies of several expense claim forms for Michele Lahey, relating to comments made by Ms Smith during Oral Question Period

Sessional Paper 740/2012-13

Bulletin dated April 2013 entitled "The Pharmacy Benefact: Updates to the Alberta Drug Benefit List," prepared by Alberta Blue Cross

Sessional Paper 741/2012-13

Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(7) in order to complete the Daily Routine.

Mrs. Towle, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake:

Calgary Herald website article dated January 13, 2013, entitled "Provincial plan to fund insulin pumps promises better quality of life for diabetics"

Sessional Paper 742/2012-13

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

School at the Legislature participant package including the School at the Legislature Report Cards for 2010-11 and 2011-12

Sessional Paper 743/2012-13

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The Speaker heard from Ms Notley, Ms Blakeman, Mr. Anderson, and Hon. Mr. Campbell.

The Speaker ruled that there was no prima facie question of privilege.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

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)

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

The following Bill was reported:

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

Mr. Amery, 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 12 (A7) (Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 744/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 12 (A8) (Hon. Member for Airdrie) — Defeated Sessional Paper 745/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 12 (A9) (Hon. Member for Airdrie) — Defeated Sessional Paper 746/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 12 (A10) (Hon. Member for Airdrie) — Defeated Sessional Paper 747/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 12 (A11) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View on behalf of Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 748/2012-13

Amendment to Bill 12 (A12) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View on behalf of Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 749/2012-13

Committee of the Whole

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(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 20 Appropriation Act, 2013 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:52 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2013 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 19 Metis Settlements Amendment Act, 2013 — Hon. Mr. Campbell

Third Reading

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

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

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, 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 Mr. Rogers in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 32

Fenske McIver Amery Bhardwaj Fraser Olesen Bhullar Horner Quadri Brown Hughes Rodney Campbell Jansen Sandhu Sarich Cao Jeneroux Casey Johnson (Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater) Starke Kennedy-Glans Cusanelli Webber Woo-Paw DeLong Khan Klimchuk Dorward Xiao Fawcett Lemke

Against the motion: 10

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The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

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- Bill 15 Emergency 911 Act (\$) Hon. Mr. Weadick
- Bill 16 Victims Statutes Amendment Act, 2013 (\$) Hon. Mr. Denis

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Amendment to Bill 16 (A1) (Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 750/2012-13

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:16~p.m. until Thursday, April 25, 2013, at 1:30~p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 24, 2013