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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Monday, November 4, 2013

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

Members' Statements

Mrs. Sarich, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement recognizing the 75th anniversary of Canada's first mosque, the Al Rashid Mosque, and the work of the Edmonton chapter of the Canadian Council of Muslim Women.

Mr. Wilson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, made a statement regarding Betty Anne Gagnon, a developmentally disabled woman who tragically passed away on November 20, 2009, and the Persons with Developmental Disabilities program.

Ms Fenske, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Village of Chipman and the successful centennial celebration held this past summer.

Mr. Luan, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hawkwood, made a statement recognizing the community of Arbour Lake in Calgary as being named the best neighborhood in the city in Avenue Magazine's July 2013 edition.

Mr. Xiao, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding Alberta's ongoing advocacy efforts opposing the United States' Country of Origin Labelling rules.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding preserving universal access to public health care in Alberta.

Presenting Petitions

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, presented a petition from 1,645 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.

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, presented a petition from 188 Albertans urging the Government to introduce a Bill which will preserve Albertans' 65-year investment in the pheasant rearing, release and hunting of pheasants program such that it maintains and enhances our hunting culture and heritage through the program's support by the Department of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development; Tourism, Parks and Recreation; Agriculture and Rural Development; and Culture and Community Spirit (for a fair share of province-wide lottery profits).

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 35 Financial Administration Amendment Act, 2013 — Hon. Mr. Horner

Bill 40 Settlement of International Investment Disputes Act — Mr. Quadri

On motion by Hon. Mr. Denis, Deputy Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 40 Settlement of International Investment Disputes Act — Mr. Quadri

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Cao, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s19(5):

Report of the Auditor General of Alberta, October 2013
Sessional Paper 1032/2012-13

Mr. Allen, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood-Buffalo:

4 recent news articles regarding the Fort McMurray airport being granted official status as a Port of Entry into Canada
Sessional Paper 1033/2012-13

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter dated October 28, 2013, from Susan Fox, Freedom of Information and Privacy Manager, Infrastructure, Government of Alberta, to Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, regarding a Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy request with respect to records relating to furnishings of the office of the Deputy Premier and Minister of Enterprise and Advanced Education, relating to comments made by Dr. Sherman during Oral Question Period on November 4, 2013

Sessional Paper 1034/2012-13

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Report dated November 4, 2013, entitled “Tabling Report – Proposed Changes to Land Titles Office,” prepared by Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre

Sessional Paper 1035/2012-13

Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner:

Email message dated October 30, 2013, from Sharon Unger of Leavitt to Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, expressing concern regarding AltaLink’s proposed power plan on her family’s property and their inability to sell their house due to this uncertainty

Sessional Paper 1036/2012-13

Email message dated October 25, 2013, from John Leahy to Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, expressing concern regarding landowners being taxed for wind turbines or substations on their property and asking that all energy developments be treated like oil and gas facilities

Sessional Paper 1037/2012-13

Letter dated October 21, 2013, from Gail Matlock of Matlock Registries, Milk River, to Mr. Bikman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, regarding Service Alberta’s proposed new portal for online registry services and expressing concern that registry agents may be excluded from the online registry services

Sessional Paper 1038/2012-13

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Griffiths, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Rowe, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, Mr. Donovan, Hon. Member for Little Bow, and Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on April 17, 2013, Department of Municipal Affairs, Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 1039/2012-13

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Motion to Concur in the Report from the Standing Committee on Families and Communities

Bill 204 Irlen Syndrome Testing Act — Mrs. Jablonski

A debate followed.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Motion to Concur in the Report from the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship

Bill 205 Fisheries (Alberta) Amendment Act, 2012 — Ms Calahasen

A debate followed.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

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 206 Tobacco Reduction (Flavoured Tobacco Products) Amendment Act, 2012
— Ms Cusanelli

Ms Kennedy-Glans, 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.

Subamendment to Bill 206 (A1-SA1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 1040/2012-13

Hon. Mr. Denis, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to call it 5:00 p.m. and begin consideration of Motions Other Than Government Motions.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

514. Moved by Mr. Xiao:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue its commitment to the creation of a world-class Capital Region River Valley Park by working with the City of Edmonton to implement its Ribbon of Green Concept Plan, which would connect all of the river valley parks into a single, continuous, protected park.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Denis, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:56 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2013 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Motions

39. Moved by Hon Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the following changes to:

- A. the Standing Committee on Families and Communities be approved:
 - that Mr. Allen replace Hon. Mr. Fraser,
 - that Mr. Khan replace Mr. Goudreau,
 - that Ms Calahasen replace Hon. Ms Jansen;
- B. the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship be approved:
 - that Mr. Goudreau replace Mr. Allen;

- C. the Select Special Conflicts of Interest Act Review Committee be approved:

that Mr. Luan replace Mr. Allen as Chair,
that Mr. Dorward replace Mr. Luan as Deputy Chair,
that Ms Kubinec replace Mr. Allen.

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Dorward, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, on behalf of Mr. Young, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, on October 29, 2013, that the motion be amended as follows:

- A. Clause A is struck out and the following is substituted:
the Standing Committee on Families and Communities be approved:

that Mr. Khan replace Hon. Mr. Fraser,
that Mr. Xiao replace Hon. Ms Jansen.

- B. Clause B is struck out.

Hon. Mr. Campbell on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hancock moved that Amendment A1 be amended by striking out clause (2) and substituting the following:

- B. the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship be approved:
that Mr. Allen fill the vacant position;

The question being put, the subamendment was agreed to.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

The question being put, the motion as amended was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 31 Protecting Alberta's Environment Act (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McQueen

Debate continued on the motion introduced by Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, on October 31, 2013, that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 31, Protecting Alberta's Environment Act, be not now read a Second time because the Legislative Assembly believes that the Bill fails to provide for unbiased, effective and accountable independent monitoring in a comprehensive manner, which includes consultation with the full range of affected groups.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

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

Bill 31 Protecting Alberta's Environment Act (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McQueen

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)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 29 Pharmacy and Drug Amendment Act, 2013 — Hon. Mr. Horne

Second Reading

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

Bill 27 Flood Recovery and Reconstruction Act — Hon. Mr. Griffiths

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Campbell, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:15 p.m. until Tuesday, November 5, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Gene Zwozdesky,
Speaker