

**MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS (Private Members' Motions) (2007)**

Motion No.	Text	Sponsor	Dates debated	Disposition
501.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create additional short-term internship positions within the Government of Alberta to assist qualified immigrants who seek work experience for the first time in Canada.	Mr. Cao	March 12, 2007	Agreed to
502.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the feasibility of establishing an endowment fund and other incentives, including legislative and policy changes, to encourage the Alberta energy industry to research, implement, and commercialize alternative energy technologies.	Mr. Lukaszuk	March 19, 2007	Agreed to
503.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the unfunded liability in the Teachers' Pension Plan <i>and immediately initiate negotiations on options for a reasonable long term solution to the teachers' unfunded pension liability issue.</i>	Mr. Flaherty	April 2, 2007	Agreed to as amended
504.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the advisability of investing 50 percent of the budget surplus into the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund and reimbursing the remaining 50 percent to Albertans as a percentage of their personal income taxes and/or property taxes.	Mr. Hinman	April 16, 2007	Defeated
505.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a plan with municipalities to phase out the education portion of property taxes for seniors.	Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Mr. Amery	April 30, 2007	Defeated
506.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt a made-in-Alberta energy policy to be developed through public consultation and debate in the Legislative Assembly and founded on the economic and energy interests of Alberta and Canada rather than those of the United States.	Mr. Mason	May 7, 2007	Defeated
507.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to <i>continue</i> assembling land and negotiating rights-of-way for a high-speed rail line between Edmonton and Calgary, with additional stops as warranted.	Dr. Taft	May 14, 2007	Agreed to as amended
508.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to amend section 2 of the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act to make donations to leadership campaigns subject to the same contribution limits and disclosure requirements as other political donations.	Mr. Mason	May 28, 2007	Agreed to
509.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to <i>continue negotiating</i> with the Federal Government to expand the Provincial Nominee Program into a reliable and permanent source of skilled labour for Alberta, thereby <i>further</i> reducing the demand for temporary foreign workers.	Mr. Agnihotri	June 4, 2007	Agreed to as amended

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510.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Election Act to lower the minimum age of electors in provincial elections from 18 years to 16 years.	Mr. Chase	June 11, 2007	Defeated
511.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to improve service for families involved in legal proceedings by implementing a fully effective unified family court <i>process</i> .	Mr. Chase	November 8, 2007	Agreed to as amended
512.	Withdrawn			
513.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to <i>take measures to exempt not-for-profit organizations that provide affordable housing and not-for-profit post-secondary educational institutions' campus residences from the provincial educational property tax requisition, and examine the feasibility of extending the exemption to small scale landlords.</i>	Mr. Elsalhy	November 19, 2007	Defeated
514.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that will set minimum drink prices in licensed establishments, as recommended in the 2006 Report of the Alberta Roundtable on Violence In and Around Licensed Premises, which will help curb the over-consumption of alcohol that may lead to violence.	Mr. Tougas	November 26, 2007	Defeated on division
515.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the tradition of hunting, <i>trapping</i> and fishing for all Albertans.	Mr. Mitzel	December 3, 2007	Agreed to as amended
516.	Withdrawn			
517.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the advisability of placing all revenue derived from natural resources in the province into a fund to develop a sustainable and environmentally sound economy for future generations.	Mr. Griffiths		
518.	Withdrawn			
519.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reinstate the Designated Community School Program that enables schools to partner with other public and voluntary sector organizations and continue to serve as the hub of vibrant communities.	Dr. Miller		
520.	Withdrawn			
521.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a committee consisting of representatives from the Provincial Government, land owners, and the energy industry to review surface rights compensation.	Mr. Marz		

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522.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to proclaim into force the Alberta Personal Income Tax (Tools Credit) Amendment Act, 2001, in order to encourage new apprentices in the trades, help Alberta tradesmen defray the high cost of tools, and foster economic and skills development in Alberta.	Mr. Backs		
523.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ban all point of purchase tobacco advertising displays known as power walls.	Ms Blakeman		
524.	Withdrawn			
525.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a provincial land bank of unused and available Crown land to ensure the orderly development of affordable housing required to accommodate Alberta's growth.	Mr. MacDonald		
526.	Withdrawn			
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528.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enter into an agreement with the Federal Government, First Nations governments, and the City of Calgary for a southwest Calgary ring road with construction to begin in the first six months of 2008.	Mr. Rodney		
529.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation requiring any information collected by an automobile event data recorder during a collision to be made available to the public.	Rev. Abbott		
530.	Withdrawn			
531.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider increasing support for students in financial need by extending eligibility to the third and fourth years of study, and increasing the amount of non-repayable aid provided through the Alberta Opportunities Bursary.	Mr. Taylor		
532.	Withdrawn			
533.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to require the establishment of an industry-supported clean up fund for downstream oil and gas operations, abandoned gas stations, and other contaminated industrial sites throughout Alberta.	Dr. Swann		
534.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the funding formula for kindergarten to grade 12 accredited independent schools and independent post-secondary institutions with the intent of moving towards a more equitable funding formula, similar to the one used in Alberta's public education system.	Mr. Prins		

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535.	Withdrawn			
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537.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to demonstrate leadership to the private sector and other levels of government by installing hands-free mobile communication devices in all government and private vehicles used for government purposes.	Mr. Johnston		
538.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to eliminate health care premiums to benefit all Albertans.	Mr. Amery		
539.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to prohibit the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund from holding any investments in the tobacco industry.	Mr. Miller		
540.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create a provincial certification for neutral centres that can, in cases of separation or divorce, be assigned by the courts to document parental compliance with access orders.	Ms DeLong		
541.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to index the salaries of all government employees to the average weekly earnings index and provide salary adjustments based on supply and demand pressures within one year following a provincial general election.	Mr. Griffiths		
542.	Withdrawn			
543.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to support safe and productive educational environments for teachers and students by providing a clear timeline for priority school construction and maintenance projects.	Mr. Flaherty		
544.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to reduce tuition to 1999-2000 levels, reduce the interest on student loans to prime, limit increases of mandatory fees, and increase the number of guidance counsellors in high schools in order to affirm the importance of post-secondary education as a long-term personal and economic investment.	Dr. Pannu		
545.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider increasing financial support for Family and Community Support Services.	Mrs. Mather		
546.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the needs of persons with disabilities when developing or revising government services, programs, legislation, and policies.	Mr. Lougheed		
547.	Withdrawn			

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548.	Withdrawn			
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550.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the qualifying income thresholds to allow a greater number of seniors to qualify for benefits under the Alberta Seniors Benefit Program.	Mrs. Jablonski		
551.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to amend the Gaming and Liquor Act to define the carrying of a knife within a licensed premises as conduct detrimental to the orderly operations of the premises, thereby making such individuals subject to arrest and prosecution.	Mr. Tougas		
552.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require Albertans applying for any class of Alberta driver's licence to have a valid first aid certificate.	Mr. Strang		
553.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider providing immediate one-time funding for a traffic interchange at 23rd Avenue and Gateway Boulevard in Edmonton to increase the commercial vitality, safety, and quality of life in affected communities.	Mr. Miller		
554.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to send Alberta Health Care statements to all Albertans in order to ensure that every individual in the province is aware of his or her use of the health care system.	Mr. Lougheed		
555.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to permit Alberta's credit unions to open general insurance broker subsidiaries, as Alberta is the only province which prohibits credit unions from owning a general insurance broker.	Mrs. Jablonski		
556.	Withdrawn			
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558.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize the principle that everyone needs a home by urging the Government to establish an interest-free loan program for qualified homeless and hard-to-house individuals that would cover the cost of a damage deposit and/or first month's rent.	Mr. Elsalhy		
559.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to double the number of youth addiction treatment beds over the next five years.	Mrs. Mather		

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560.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt a contracting policy similar to the one recently adopted by the City of Calgary to ensure that all organizations receiving government contracts pay their employees a living wage in order to compensate for the rising cost of living.	Mr. Martin		
561.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enable industry efforts to increase the supply of wind and other renewable power supplies so that every Alberta home and farm can run on renewable or green energy within 10 years.	Dr. Swann		
562.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to lobby the Federal Government for legislative amendments that will ensure that individuals charged under the child pornography provision (section 163.1) of the Criminal Code are denied bail.	Dr. Miller		
563.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Election Act to require photo identification to vote in provincial elections.	Dr. Taft		
564.	Withdrawn			
565.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take immediate steps to make fully funded and regulated junior kindergarten and full-day kindergarten accessible to parents who choose to give their children the broad benefits of early childhood education.	Mr. Eggen		
566.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider doubling the funding of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts in order to support the innovative individuals and institutions required to sustain and expand Alberta's economic and cultural vitality.	Mr. Agnihotri		
567.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the feasibility of hiring additional police officers and special constables to reduce theft, vandalism, and other crimes in rural Alberta.	Rev. Abbott		
568.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider covering contractors working on farms under the Alberta Occupational Health and Safety Code.	Mr. Johnson		
569.	Withdrawn			
570.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to include midwifery services as insured services under the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan.	Ms Blakeman		
571.	Withdrawn			
572.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the advisability of taxing all bitumen produced in Alberta at a level that will encourage the full processing of this resource in Alberta.	Mr. Backs		

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573.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to table a detailed plan to significantly increase the number of high quality, licensed, not-for-profit child care spaces in the province in order to reduce the burden placed on Alberta families faced with lengthy wait lists and the high cost of child care.	Dr. Pannu		
574.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to table a clear plan to relieve infrastructure pressures facing municipalities, school boards, and health regions using traditional financing methods to avoid the cost over-runs, lack of public oversight, and sub-standard quality associated with many P3 projects.	Mr. Martin		
575.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider providing additional resources to community policing services, including linking funding to population growth rates, in order to create safer and more cohesive communities.	Mr. Bonko		
576.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage and provide assistance for youth cultural sports exchange programs to increase awareness of, and interaction with, other cultures around the world.	Mr. Johnson		
577.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Employment Standards Code to increase the minimum vacation time for full-time employees from two weeks to three weeks per year.	Mr. MacDonald		
578.	Withdrawn			
579.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work toward accepting the Canadian Forces' vehicle operators' certificates and trades qualifications in order to allow these individuals to enter the workforce in an expedient manner after discharge.	Mr. Cao		
580.	Withdrawn			
581.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement measures to ensure that the approval of all major industrial projects is conditional on a cumulative impact assessment which would determine and mitigate each project's impact on health infrastructure, municipal infrastructure, housing, the environment, and the overall economy.	Mr. Eggen		
582.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the advisability of returning 10 percent of provincial income and corporate taxes to the municipalities they were collected from.	Mr. Hinman		
583.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create an independent advocacy centre for dependent adults to provide information, and legal and advocacy services for residents of continuing care facilities and their families.	Ms Pastoor		

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584.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the number of, and resources available to, those workers who help provide Alberta's homeless citizens with critical social services, including housing.	Ms Pastoor		
585.	Withdrawn			
586.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish rules or guidelines for restraining orders in family law matters, particularly when granted on an ex parte basis, so that they do not unwarrantedly separate children from either of their contending parents.	Ms DeLong		
587.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider dedicating a percentage of all provincial gaming and tobacco tax revenues to alcohol, drug, and tobacco addiction and cessation programs.	Mr. Bonko		
588.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to begin construction of the South Calgary Hospital by 2008, with a completion date of 2010, which will serve to decrease hospital wait times to 60 minutes and decrease the number of EMS (Emergency Medical Services) red alerts in Calgary.	Mr. Rodney		
589.	Withdrawn			
590.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Municipal Government Act to encourage preservation of the original character of historically significant or heritage neighbourhoods.	Mr. Taylor		