VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

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

ROUTINE

Members’ Statements

Mr. Toor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Falconridge, made a statement regarding Men’s Health Week.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding the graduating class of 2020.

Mr. Jones, Hon. Member for Calgary-South East, made a statement regarding the Government’s response to challenges faced by small-business owners during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding Campus Saint-Jean (remarks made in French).

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding the importance of rodeo.

Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

Mr. Horner, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding Alberta’s economy.
Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement regarding the need for continued safety measures during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Amery, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, made a statement regarding opening places of worship during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Notices of Motions**

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that

1. A Select Special Democratic Accountability Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed to review
   (a) the questions posed by the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General in the document entitled “Proposed Questions for Review by a Standing or Special Committee” (Sessional Paper 192/2020),
   (b) the Election Act, and
   (c) the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act;

2. The Committee consist of the following Members:
   Schow (Chair) Dang Rutherford
   Hornet (Deputy Chair) Goodridge Sigurdson (Highwood)
   Allard Nixon (Calgary-Klein) Smith
   Ceci Pancholi Sweet

3. The Committee may limit its review of the Election Act and the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act to sections of those Acts that the Committee selects for consideration;

4. The Committee continues despite a prorogation of a session and may, without leave of the Assembly, meet during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;

5. Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for advertising, staff assistance, equipment and supplies, rent, travel, and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chair;

6. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may utilize the services of employees of the Legislative Assembly Office or, with the concurrence of the head of a department or an Officer of the Legislature, utilize the services of employees of the public service employed in that department or office;
7. The Committee must submit a report to the Assembly
   (a) on the questions posed by the Minister of Justice and Solicitor
       General, within 4 months after commencing its review of the
       matters referred in accordance with this motion, and
   (b) on its review of the Election Act and the Election Finances and
       Contributions Disclosure Act, including any amendments to the
       Acts recommended by the Committee, within 6 months after
       commencing its review of the matters referred in accordance
       with this motion;

8. If the Assembly is not sitting at the time a report of the Committee is
   completed, the Chair of the Committee may release its report by
   depositing a copy with the Clerk in accordance with Standing Order 38.1
   and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the intention to
introduce the following Bills:

Mr. Shandro

Bill 25 Protecting Alberta Industry from Theft Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

**Tabling Returns and Reports**

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung:

Financial Review website article dated January 14, 2020, entitled “Australia has
too many national parks”

Sessional Paper 198/2020

Report dated March 23, 2015, entitled “Meeting the Challenge: the Klein
Revolution, Charter Schools, and Alternative Programs in Edmonton Public
Schools,” prepared by Duncan Parliament, Brett Bilyk, and Dr. Pollock,
MacEwan University

Sessional Paper 199/2020

Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Document dated January 22, 2020, entitled “Statement from the Council of Chief
Medical Officers of Health on Nicotine Vaping in Canada,” prepared by the Public
Health Agency of Canada

Sessional Paper 200/2020

Report dated May 25, 2019, entitled “Reducing Youth Access and Appeal of
Vaping Products: Potential Regulatory Measures – Consultation,” prepared by
Alberta Health Services

Sessional Paper 201/2020
Edmonton Journal website article dated June 9, 2020, entitled “Opinion: Alberta’s vaping bill fails to protect children and youth,” relating to comments made by Ms Sigurdson during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 19, Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Amendment Act, 2020

Sessional Paper 202/2020

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 4 Fiscal Planning and Transparency (Fixed Budget Period) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Toews

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

Second Reading

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

Bill 21 Provincial Administrative Penalties Act — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

A debate followed.

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

Third Reading

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

Bill 4 Fiscal Planning and Transparency (Fixed Budget Period) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Toews

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Mr. Milliken in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:
For the motion:  28

Allard Jones Rutherford
Armstrong-Homeniuk LaGrange Savage
Copping Loewen Sigurdson (Highwood)
Ellis Lovely Smith
Getson Madu Toor
Glasgo McIver Turton
Gotfried Nicolaides van Dijken
Guthrie Reid Williams
Hanson Rowswell Yaseen

Against the motion:  7

Ceci Renaud Schmidt
Dach Sabir Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eggen

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill  4 Fiscal Planning and Transparency (Fixed Budget Period) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Toews

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.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill  16 Victims of Crime (Strengthening Public Safety) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

Mr. Hanson, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 16 (A1) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View on June 16, 2020) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 197/2020

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Savage, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:58 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.
Government Bills and Orders

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 17 Mental Health Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday, on behalf of Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the Bill be amended by striking out section 43 and substituting the following:

43 Section 54 is repealed and the following is substituted:

Review by committee of the Legislative Assembly

54 Within 5 years after the coming into force of the Mental Health Amendment Act, 2020, and every 5 years thereafter, a committee of the Legislative Assembly must begin a comprehensive review of this Act and the regulations made under it, and must submit to the Assembly, within one year after beginning the review, a report that includes any amendments recommended by the committee.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Amery at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 7

Carson Feehan Renaud
Dach Gray Shepherd
Eggen

Against the amendment: 26

Aheer Jones Sawhney
Dreeshen Long Schow
Fir Lovely Schulz
Glasgo Luan Sigurdson (Highwood)
Glubish Madu Singh
Guthrie Neudorf Smith
Hanson Orr Stephan
Horner Rehn Wilson
Hunter Rosin
The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 15 Choice in Education Act, 2020 — Hon. Min. LaGrange

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, moved that the Bill be amended by striking out section 7.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 7
Dach  Gray  Renaud
Eggen  Hoffman  Shepherd
Feehan

Against the amendment: 28
Aheer  Jones  Rosin
Amery  Long  Sawhney
Dreeshen  Lovely  Schow
Fir  Luan  Schulz
Glasgo  Madu  Sigurdson (Highwood)
Glubish  Neudorf  Singh
Guthrie  Nixon (Edmonton-Sherwood Park)  Smith
Hanson  Orr  Stephan
Horner  Rehn  Wilson
Hunter

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 7 Responsible Energy Development Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mrs. Savage

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday, moved adjournment of debate on the Bill.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:
For the motion: 35

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Against the motion: 0

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 7  Responsible Energy Development Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mrs. Savage

Bill 15  Choice in Education Act, 2020 — Hon. Min. LaGrange

Bill 17  Mental Health Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Mr. Hanson, 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 17 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated on division

Amendment to Bill 15 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora) — Defeated on division

Amendment to Bill 15 (A3) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora) — Adjourned

Amendment to Bill 7 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday on behalf of the Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall) — Adjourned
Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:00 p.m. until Thursday, June 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker