



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

Day 30

**ORDER PAPER**

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**O Canada (First sitting day of each week)**

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## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Government Motions

**13.** Moved by Hon. Mrs. Nelson:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Stevens

**18.** Hon. Mrs. Nelson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Message of Her Honour, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2001-02 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

**19.** Hon. Mrs. Nelson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 58(6), the number of days that Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 2001-02 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund shall be one day.

### Government Bills and Orders

#### Second Reading

Bill 28 Agricultural Operation Practices Amendment Act, 2001 — Mr. Klapstein

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Lund

Bill 29 Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 — Mr. Magnus

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Bill 16 School Amendment Act, 2001 — Hon. Dr. Oberg

Bill 18 Health Professions Amendment Act, 2001 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Bill 21 Electronic Transactions Act — Mr. Horner

## **Written Questions**

**WQ5.** Mr. Mason to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 31):

Of the \$690 million the Government receives annually for health care premiums, what portion is paid by Government and Government-funded agencies such as school boards, universities, colleges and technical institutes, regional health authorities, regional children's authorities, and other Government boards and agencies on behalf of their employees?

**WQ7.** Ms Carlson to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 39):

What are the estimated volumes of waste to be treated at the Swan Hills Waste Treatment Centre for the fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003?

## **Motions for Returns**

**MR14.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 31):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:  
Copy of the April 30, 1997 document entitled "Advice to the Provincial Treasurer re. Alberta Treasury Branches" as prepared by Alberta Treasury.

**MR15.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 31):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:  
Copy of the nine-page document sent by the President and CEO (Chief Executive Officer) of the Alberta Treasury Branches to the Provincial Treasurer on December 23, 1997 relating to a change in status and/or privatization of the Alberta Treasury Branches.

**MR16.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 31):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:  
Copy of the memorandum and supporting documents entitled "ATB (Alberta Treasury Branches) Options" sent by the Deputy Provincial Treasurer to the President and CEO (Chief Executive Officer) of the Alberta Treasury Branches on December 16, 1997.

**MR17.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 31):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:  
Copy of the document entitled “Alberta Treasury Branches: Alternative Business Outcomes” prepared by Alberta Treasury on December 22, 1997.

**MR18.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:  
Copy of studies and reports on the Government’s cost to create the Ministry of Infrastructure in May of 1999 formed by the unification of responsibility for the following areas: the former Ministry of Public Works, Supply and Services; the former Ministry of Transportation and Utilities (except Disaster Services); the School Facilities Branch from the former Ministry of Education; and Post-Secondary Facilities from the former Ministry of Advanced Education and Career Development added in February 2000.

### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

**508.** Moved by Mrs. Gordon: (Time remaining: 37 minutes):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prioritize restructuring of the parameters for delivering province-wide services such as Renal Dialysis and Multiple Sclerosis Special Therapy programs to focus more on patient need and outcome with emphasis given to service delivery closer to the patient’s principal residence.

Debate adjourned: Mrs. Gordon speaking

**509.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require Regional Health Authorities to collect and publicly release information on private health care providers whom they contract with, including details regarding services provided, public funding received and charges to individuals.

**510.** Rev. Abbott to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide an annual inflation and cost of living increase to recipients of Supports for Independence and Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped.

**511.** Mr. Bonner to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement regulations for Intensive Livestock Operations (ILOs) to eliminate uncertainty in the industry and provide conformity.

- 512.** Mr. Cenaiko to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work closely with Criminal Intelligence Service Alberta in initiating new programs and continuing ongoing specific projects with Alberta's policing agencies to combat organized crime in the prostitution and drug trades to preserve the safety of young people in our communities.
- 513.** Mrs. Gordon to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore an alternative source of funding for education purposes other than generating revenue through property taxes.
- 514.** Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a Loan Repayment Assistance Program that allows for repayment of student borrowed debt based on a percentage of the student borrower's annual income.
- 515.** Mr. McFarland to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to allow municipalities the flexibility to pool and apply grant funding, regardless of its source, towards a single project if needed.
- 516.** Mr. Danyluk to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prepare a contingency plan to control the spread of Foot and Mouth virus in the event the virus reaches Alberta, Canada, or North America.
- 517.** Mr. Fischer to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the possibility of Alberta Health and Wellness covering the costs incurred by Type-2 diabetics for the chemical-coated strips used to test blood sugar levels and to establish a provincial advisory committee on diabetes.
- 518.** Mr. Tannas to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to strengthen property rights in Alberta so that land may not be taken by Government or its officials without fair compensation.
- 519.** Mr. Lougheed to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide all Albertans with an annual benefit statement detailing what services and benefits have been paid by Alberta Health and Wellness on their behalf.

**520.** Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that Alberta has the people with the skills needed to provide appropriate levels of care and health services and that the Minister of Health and Wellness identify approaches to improve the education, training, recruitment and retention of our future workforce, especially in relation to long term care facilities.

**521.** Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies aimed at making the wearing of bicycle helmets mandatory in the interest of accident prevention and public safety, thus leading to a reduction of costs to Alberta's health care system.

**522.** Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the federal, provincial, and territorial governments in Canada to pursue a barrier-free domestic market by intensifying their efforts to implement and strengthen the Agreement on Internal Trade.

**523.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reduce tuition fees at all public post-secondary institutions by 30 percent and increase provincial grants to public post-secondary institutions to make up the shortfall in revenues from the reduction in tuition fees.

**524.** Mr. Lougheed to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to support and encourage the expansion of the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program.

**525.** Mrs. Jablonski to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to study the feasibility of providing an incentive to Alberta students who complete a post-secondary degree from an Alberta post-secondary institution in the form of a one-time provincial income tax credit for qualifying graduates who obtain employment in Alberta.

**526.** Mr. Broda to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the closure of courthouses in rural communities.

- 527.** Mrs. Jablonski to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement higher provincial standards and screening procedures for foster parents, case workers and agencies dealing with child welfare cases.
- 528.** Mr. Ouellette to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate the feasibility of animal manure-based energy production for farms.
- 529.** Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies that would provide the necessary treatment for offenders with mental health problems utilizing appropriate treatment facilities and programs within, and whenever possible, outside the justice system.
- 530.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. McClelland.
- 531.** Ms Graham to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore new means of helping students finance their post-secondary education, including the establishment of a provincial education savings plan to supplement the Canada Education Savings Grant.
- 532.** Rev. Abbott to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure employees are not forced to join labour unions in order to secure employment in either the private or public sector.
- 533.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Lukaszuk.
- 534.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Klapstein.
- 535.** Withdrawn - Mr. Kowalski elected Speaker April 9, 2001.
- 536.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Hutton.
- 537.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Maskell.
- 538.** Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to address the problems created by the 30% threshold for calculating expenses in the housing program, and the limited supply of social housing in the province.

- 539.** Mr. McClelland to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to rename the Legislature Annex building after an Albertan in recognition of that individual's accomplishments to Alberta's history.
- 540.** Mr. Marz to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to recognize and protect the rights of an unborn child.
- 541.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Jacobs.
- 542.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Shariff.
- 543.** Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide tax relief to Alberta motorists by adjusting the provincial gasoline tax quarterly based on the calculation of the price of crude oil for the previous quarter of the fiscal year, with the provincial gasoline tax reduced by 1 cent per litre for each dollar increase in the price of crude oil between \$19.00 and \$28.00 per barrel.
- 544.** Mr. Ouellette to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the earnings exemption level for persons dependent on support from the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped program.
- 545.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. O'Neill.
- 546.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require school boards, private schools, child and family service authorities, persons with developmental disabilities boards, delegated administrative organizations, universities, public colleges, technical institutes, provincial agencies, commercial enterprises, and commercial crown-controlled corporations to include in their annual reports a full accounting of private corporations and/or individuals contracted with during the course of a fiscal year for goods and/or services, and the total amount of tax dollars received by each of those goods and/or service providers.
- 547.** Mr. Marz to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish effective accountability measures within the health care system through mechanisms at the point of health services access, involving both the consumer and provider.



548. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Herard.
549. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Lukaszuk.
550. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Maskell.
551. Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to conserve endangered and threatened species, protect sufficient habitat for their conservation and regeneration, and require every decision by a government department, crown agency, or a municipal government to be consistent with such legislation.
552. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation repealing the Health Care Protection Act (Bill 11) and replace it with legislation halting the privatization of Alberta's health care system, and requiring all procedures necessitating an overnight or longer patient stay to be performed in an approved public hospital.
553. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Snelgrove.
554. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Vandermeer.
555. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to direct the Workers' Compensation Board to allow injured workers whose cases are in dispute to pursue trade or career retraining in the same manner as any other Albertan, with the cost of such retraining being redirected to the Workers' Compensation Board upon settlement of that dispute.
556. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Yankowsky.
557. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms DeLong.
558. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Knight.
559. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Fritz.
560. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms Haley.
561. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Snelgrove.
562. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Rathgeber.

- 563.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Ady.
- 564.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Friedel.
- 565.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Friedel.
- 566.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Lord.
- 567.** Mr. Bonner to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to place a maximum time limit of 48 hours for inspection of damaged crop areas by an adjuster under the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program.
- 568.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. McFarland.
- 569.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Pham.
- 570.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Graydon.
- 571.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. O'Neill.
- 572.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Goudreau.
- 573.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Renner.
- 574.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Danyluk.
- 575.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Tarchuk.
- 576.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Goudreau.
- 577.** Mr. Ducharme to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to legalize cervid harvesting preserves.
- 578.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Lord.
- 579.** Mr. Masyk to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase funding for city police forces aimed specifically at increasing the patrol of inner city areas where prostitution is known to occur.
- 580.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms Graham.

- 581.** Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take steps to reduce class sizes for kindergarten to grade 12 by an average of 10% while capping class sizes of kindergarten to grade 3 at 17 children per class.
- 582.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms Haley.
- 583.** Withdrawn - Mr. Kowalski elected Speaker April 9, 2001.
- 584.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Broda.
- 585.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Vandermeer.
- 586.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to expand the range of service fees covered in subsidized seniors' accommodations so that the 30% threshold of income to pay for basic rent costs includes basic telephone service.
- 587.** Ms Kryczka to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake initiatives to raise the awareness of Albertans with respect to the prevention, early detection and treatment of prostate cancer, targeted particularly to male Albertans over the age of 50.
- 588.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Rathgeber.
- 589.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Strang.
- 590.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Tarchuk.
- 591.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Ducharme.
- 592.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Graydon.
- 593.** Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt the recommendation of the Capital Investment Planning Committee to establish a sinking fund to sustain essential infrastructure programs during periods of low revenue growth.
- 594.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Pham.
- 595.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Hlady.

- 596.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Masyk.
- 597.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that the Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) is better managed by requiring, in particular, that the WCB limit avoidable operating deficits and end its over-reliance on drawing large sums from its reserves in order to fund operations.
- 598.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Horner.
- 599.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Hutton.
- 600.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Horner.
- 601.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Hlady.
- 602.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Strang.
- 603.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. VanderBurg.
- 604.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Jacobs.
- 605.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Magnus.
- 606.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Knight.
- 607.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Klapstein.
- 608.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Cenaiko.
- 609.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Renner.
- 610.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Tannas.
- 611.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Shariff.
- 612.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. VanderBurg
- 613.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Ady.
- 614.** Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a comprehensive system of community-based mental health services in line with the nationally-endorsed Best Practices in Mental Health Reform.

- 615.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms DeLong.
- 616.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a task force to examine the impact that anticipated changes in technology may have on provincial legislation and regulations with the emphasis placed on the protection of privacy and possibility of fraud and criminal activity.
- 617.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs Fritz.
- 618.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Magnus.
- 505.** Mr. Herard to propose the following motion:  
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to treat smoking as an addiction worthy of similar treatment and support systems as currently exist for other addictions.

## **Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

Bill 211 Citizens' Initiative Act — Rev. Abbott

Bill 212 Matrimonial Property Amendment Act, 2001 — Ms Graham

### **Committee of the Whole**

Bill 207 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Tools Deduction) Amendment Act, 2001 —  
Mr. Lougheed (Due Day 29)

Bill 208 Alberta Official Song Act — Mr. Cao (Due Day 29)

Bill 209 Highway Traffic (Bicycle Safety Helmet) Amendment Act, 2001 —  
Mrs. Fritz (Due Day 32)

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## **NOTICES**

### **Leave to Introduce a Bill**

Bill 214 Alberta Wheat and Barley Test Market Act — Mr. Hlady

Bill 215 Health Insurance Premiums Act Repeal Act — Mr. Vandermeer

Bill 218 School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001 — Dr. Massey

Bill 219 Fisheries (Alberta) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) — Mr. Danyluk

## Government Motions

20. Hon. Mr. Hancock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that:

1. A Select Special Auditor General and Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be appointed, consisting of the following Members, namely:

Tarchuk (Chair)	Friedel	Pannu
Ducharme (Deputy Chair)	Graham	Taft
Blakeman	O'Neill	Tannas

for the purpose of inviting applications for the positions of Auditor General and Information and Privacy Commissioner and to recommend to the Assembly the applicants it considers most suitable for appointment to those positions.

2. The Chair and Members of the Committee shall be paid in accordance with the schedule of Category "A" Committees provided in the most current Members' Services Committee Allowances Order.
3. 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.
4. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of members of the public service employed in that department or the staff employed by the Assembly.
5. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned.
6. When its work has been completed, the Committee shall report to the Assembly if it is then sitting. During a period when the Assembly is adjourned, the Committee may release its report by depositing a copy with the Clerk and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

21. Hon. Mr. Stevens to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be amended as follows:

**1 Standing Order 4 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**4(1)** If at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, the business of the Assembly is not concluded, the Speaker leaves the Chair until 8 p.m.

**(2)** If at 5:15 p.m. on Monday, the Assembly is in Committee of the Whole and the business of the committee is not concluded, the committee shall rise and report immediately.

**(3)** If at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday, the business of the Assembly is not concluded, the Speaker leaves the Chair until 8 p.m. unless, on a motion of the Government House Leader made before 5:30 p.m., which may be made orally and without notice, the Assembly is adjourned until the next sitting day.

**(4)** If at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday, the Assembly is in Committee of the Whole and the business of the committee is not concluded, the Chairman leaves the Chair until 8:00 p.m. unless, on a motion of the Government House Leader made before 5:30 p.m., which may be made orally and without notice, the Assembly is adjourned to the next sitting day.

**(5)** At 5:30 p.m. on Thursday the Speaker adjourns the Assembly, without question put, until Monday.

**2 Standing Order 5 is amended by adding the following after suborder (1):**

**(1.1)** If, during a sitting of the Assembly, a question of quorum arises, the division bells shall be sounded for one minute and if a quorum is then not present, the Speaker may declare a recess or adjourn the Assembly until the next sitting day.

**3 Standing Order 7 is amended by striking out suborder (1) and substituting the following:**

**7(1)** The ordinary daily routine business in the Assembly shall be as follows:

*O Canada* (First sitting day of each week)  
Introduction of Visitors  
Introduction of Guests  
Ministerial Statements  
Oral Question Period, not exceeding 50 minutes  
Recognitions (Monday and Wednesday)  
Members' Statements (Tuesday and Thursday)  
Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Presenting Petitions  
Notices of Motions  
Introduction of Bills  
Tabling Returns and Reports  
Projected Government Business (Thursday)

**4 Standing Order 8 is amended**

**(a) by striking out suborders (1) to (3) and substituting the following:**

**8(1)** On Monday afternoon, after the daily routine, the order of business for consideration of the Assembly shall be as follows:

Written Questions  
Motions for Returns  
Public Bills and Orders other than Government Bills and Orders

**(2)** On Monday evening, from 8 p.m. until 9 p.m., the order of business for consideration of the Assembly shall be as follows:

Motions other than Government Motions

**(3)** On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, on Monday evening commencing at 9 p.m. and on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, the order of business for consideration of the Assembly shall be as follows:

Government Motions  
Government Bills and Orders  
Private Bills

**(b) in suborder (4) by striking out “55 minutes of debate” and substituting “60 minutes of debate and 5 minutes for the mover of the motion to close debate.”**

**(c) by adding the following after suborder (4):**

**(4.1)** Before the mover closes debate on a motion under suborder (4), a member may move a motion, not subject to debate or amendment, that provides for the motion under consideration to be moved to the bottom of that item of business on the Order Paper.

**(d) by striking out suborder (6) and substituting the following:**



**(6)** Before the mover of a motion for second or third reading of a Public Bill other than a Government Bill closes debate, or the time limit is reached for consideration at Committee of the Whole under suborder (5)(a)(ii), a member may move a motion, not subject to debate or amendment, that the votes necessary to conclude consideration at that stage be postponed for 10 sitting days or the first opportunity after that for the consideration of the Bill, unless there are other Bills awaiting consideration at that stage in which case the Bill will be called after the Bills at that stage have been considered.

**5 Standing Order 18 is amended**

**(a)** in suborder 1(h) by adding “, except as provided under Standing Order 49” **after** “committee”;

**(b)** by adding the following after suborder (2):

**(3)** In this Standing Order, “adjournment motion” includes daily adjournment motions and any motion to adjourn the proceedings of the Assembly for a specified or unspecified period.

**6 Standing Order 20 is amended by striking out suborder (1) and substituting the following:**

**20(1)** In a debate on a motion, if a member moves an amendment, that member may only speak to the amendment and the main question in one speech.

**7 Standing Order 21 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**21(1)** A member of the Executive Council may, on at least one day’s notice, propose a motion for the purpose of allotting a specified number of hours for consideration and disposal of proceedings on a Government motion or a Government Bill and the motion shall not be subject to debate or amendment except as provided in suborder (3).

**(2)** A motion under suborder (1)

(a) that applies to a Government Bill shall only refer to one stage of consideration for the Bill;

(b) shall only apply when the Bill or motion that is the subject of the time allocation motion has already been debated in the Assembly or been considered in Committee of the Whole.

(3) A member of the Executive Council may outline the reasons for the motion under suborder (1) and a member of the Official Opposition may respond but neither speech may exceed 5 minutes.

**8 Standing Order 23 is amended by striking out clause (g) and substituting the following:**

(g) refers to any matter pending in a court or before a judge for judicial determination

(i) of a criminal nature from the time charges have been laid until passing of sentence, including any appeals and the expiry of appeal periods from the time of judgment, or

(ii) of a civil nature that has been set down for a trial or notice of motion filed, as in an injunction proceeding, until judgment or from the date of filing a notice of appeal until judgment by an appellate court,

where there is probability of prejudice to any party but where there is any doubt as to prejudice, the rule should be in favour of the debate;

**9 Standing Order 29 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**29(1)** Time limits on speaking in debate in the Assembly on Government motions, Government Bills and orders and private Bills shall be as follows:

(a) (i) the Premier,

(ii) the Leader of the Official Opposition, and

(iii) the mover on the occasion of the Budget Address

shall be limited to 90 minutes' speaking time;

(b) the mover in debate on a resolution or on a Bill shall be limited to 20 minutes' speaking time in opening debate and 15 minutes in closing debate;

(c) the member who speaks immediately following the mover in debate on a resolution or on a Bill shall be limited to 20 minutes;

(d) except as provided in clauses (a) to (c), no member shall speak for longer than 15 minutes in debate.

(2) (a) Subject to clause (b), following each speech on the items in debate referred to in suborder (1), a period not exceeding 5 minutes shall be made available, if required, to allow members to ask questions and comment briefly on matters relevant to the speech and to allow responses to each member's questions and comments;

(b) the 5 minute question and comment period referred to in clause (a) is not available following the speech from

(i) the mover of the resolution or the Bill in opening or closing debate, and

(ii) the member who speaks immediately after the mover.

(3) Time limits on speaking in debate on motions other than Government motions, public Bills and orders other than Government Bills and orders, written questions and motions for returns shall be as follows:

(a) the Premier and the Leader of the Official Opposition shall be limited to 20 minutes' speaking time;

(b) the mover in debate of a resolution or a Bill shall be limited to 10 minutes' speaking time and 5 minutes to close debate;

(c) all other members shall be limited to 10 minutes' speaking time in debate.

**10 Standing Order 30(4) is amended in clause (a) by adding "the debate proceeds and" before "the Speaker".**

**11 Standing Order 32 is amended by adding the following after suborder (2):**

**(2.1)** When a division is called in Committee of the Whole or Committee of Supply, a member may request unanimous consent to waive suborder (2) to shorten the 10 minute interval between division bells.

**12 Standing Order 34 is amended by adding the following after suborder (2):**

**(2.1)** Amendments to written questions and motions for returns must

(a) be approved by Parliamentary Counsel on the sitting day preceding the day the amendment is moved, and

(b) be provided to the mover of the written question or motion for a return no later than 11 a.m. on the day the amendment is to be moved.

**13 Standing Order 37 is amended by adding the following after suborder (3):**

(4) For the purposes of this Standing Order and Standing Order 37.1, a tabling must be in paper form.

**14 The following is added after Standing Order 37:**

**37.1(1)** Documents may be tabled by providing the required number of copies to the Clerk before 11 a.m. any day the Assembly sits.

(2) When the Clerk receives a tabling under suborder (1) that is in order, the Clerk shall read the title of the tabling when Tabling Returns and Reports is called in the daily routine.

**15 Standing Order 39.1 is amended by renumbering it as Standing Order 39.2 and adding the following before Standing Order 39.2:**

**39.1(1)** The sequence of motions other than Government motions shall be determined by a random draw of names of members who have submitted written notice to the Clerk no later than 3 days prior to the date of the draw.

(2) The draw referred to in suborder (1) shall be held on a date set by the Speaker in the July preceding the session that the motions are expected to be moved.

(3) Prior to a motion other than a Government motion being moved, members may switch the positions in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by the Speaker.

(4) A member who has a motion other than a Government motion on the Order Paper may, upon providing 4 sitting days' notice, withdraw the motion before it is to be moved in the Assembly.

(5) When a motion is withdrawn under suborder (4), the Order Paper shall indicate "withdrawn" next to the motion number.

**16 Standing Order 48 is amended by renumbering it as Standing Order 48(1) and by adding the following after suborder (1):**

(2) Dissolution has the effect of nullifying an order or address of the Assembly for returns or papers.

**17 The following is added after Standing Order 48:**

**48.1** A member of the Executive Council may, on one day's notice, move a motion to reinstate a Government Bill from a previous session of the current Legislature to the same stage that the Bill stood at the time of prorogation and the motion shall not be subject to debate or amendment.

**18 Standing Order 49 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**49(1)** At the commencement of each session, standing committees of the Assembly must be established for the following purposes:

- (a) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, consisting of 21 members,
- (b) Public Accounts, consisting of 17 members,
- (c) Private Bills, consisting of 21 members,
- (d) Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, consisting of 9 members,
- (e) Legislative Offices, consisting of 11 members.

**(2)** At the commencement of the first session of each Legislature, the Assembly must establish the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services consisting of 11 members.

**(3)** The Assembly must determine the membership of the committees established under this Standing Order by resolution which shall not be subject to debate or amendment.

**(4)** The composition of the membership of the committees established under this Standing Order must be proportionate to the number of seats held by each party in the Assembly.

**(5)** The proportionate membership of committees as prescribed under suborder (4) may be varied by an agreement among all House Leaders.

**(6)** The Clerk of the Assembly shall post in the Legislature Building lists of members of the several standing and special committees appointed during each session.

**19 Standing Order 52 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**52** The Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund shall report to the Assembly on the Fund as prescribed in the *Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act*.

**20 Standing Order 56 is amended by striking out suborders (2) to (8).**

**21 Standing Order 57 is amended by striking out suborders (1) to (6).**

**22 Standing Order 58 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**58(1)** In this Standing Order, “sitting day” means any afternoon or evening that the Committee of Supply considers estimates for not less than 2 hours unless there are no members who wish to speak prior to the conclusion of the 2 hours.

**(2)** The number of sitting days that the Committee of Supply is called to consider the main estimates shall equal the number of members of the Executive Council with portfolio.

**(3)** The Committee of Supply shall consider estimates in the following manner:

(a) the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister’s behalf, and members of the opposition may speak during the first hour, and

(b) any member may speak thereafter.

**(4)** Subject to suborder (5), the vote on an estimate before the Committee of Supply shall be called after it has received not less than 2 hours of consideration unless there are no members who wish to speak prior to the conclusion of the 2 hours.

**(5)** On Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon, during the consideration of the main estimates, the Committee of Supply shall be called immediately after Orders of the Day are called and shall rise and report no later than 5:15 p.m.

**(6)** The Leader of the Official Opposition may, by giving written notice to the Clerk and the Government House Leader prior to noon on the day following the Budget Address, designate which department’s estimates are to be considered by the Committee of Supply on any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon during the period in which the main estimates are to be considered by Committee of Supply.

**(7)** When the Leader of the Official Opposition fails to provide notice in accordance with suborder (5), the Government House Leader shall designate the department for consideration by Committee of Supply for that afternoon.

(8) The estimates of the Legislative Assembly, as approved by the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, and the estimates of the Officers of the Legislature shall be the first item called in the Committee of Supply's consideration of the main estimates and the Chairman shall put the question to approve the estimates forthwith which shall be decided without debate or amendment.

(9) In respect of the supplementary estimates and interim supply estimates, a member of the Executive Council may, with at least one day's notice, make a motion to determine the number of days that the Committee of Supply may be called, and the question shall be decided without debate or amendment.

**23 Standing Order 59 is amended**

**(a) in suborder (1)**

**(i) by striking out "Monday," and**

**(ii) by striking out "midnight" and substituting "11 p.m.";**

**(b) by striking out suborder (2).**

**24 Standing Order 60 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**60** Committees of the whole Assembly shall rise and report prior to the time of adjournment.

**25 The following is added after Standing Order 68:**

**68.1(1)** The sequence of Public Bills and Orders other than Government Bills and Orders shall be determined by a random draw of the names of members who have submitted written notice to Parliamentary Counsel no later than 3 days prior to the date of the draw.

(2) The draw referred to in suborder (1) shall be held on a date set by the Speaker in the July preceding the session that the Bills are expected to be introduced.

(3) Members may switch their positions in accordance with guidelines prescribed by the Speaker.

**26 Standing Order 83 is amended**

**(a) in suborder (2) by striking out "received, shall be read by the Clerk if the member so requests" and substituting "presented during the daily routine";**

**(b) by adding the following after suborder (2):**

**(3)** Petitions must be submitted for approval by Parliamentary Counsel at least one sitting day prior to the petition being presented in the Assembly.

**27 Standing Order 83.1 is amended**

**(a) in suborders (1) and (2) by striking out “read and received” and substituting “presented”;**

**(b) by striking out suborder (3).**

**28 Standing Order 102 is amended by renumbering it as Standing Order 102(1) and adding the following after suborder (1):**

**(2)** The Clerk shall be responsible for the printing of the Votes and Proceedings and the Journals of the Assembly.

**29 Standing Order 109 is struck out and the following is substituted:**

**109** The Speaker shall, after the end of the fiscal year, prepare an annual report on the Legislative Assembly Office and lay the report before the Assembly if it is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

**30 Standing Order 114 is amended by striking out suborder (2).**

**31 This motion supersedes the House Leader Agreement for the 25<sup>th</sup> Legislature dated April 10, 2001.**

**32 This motion comes into force on the first day of the Second Session of the 25<sup>th</sup> Legislature.**

**Projected Government Business**

Tuesday, November 20	(4:30)	- <b>Government Motions</b>
		<b>Government Bills and Orders</b>
		<b>Second Reading</b>
		Bill 25, 28
Eve.		- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b>
		<b>Second Reading</b>
		Bill 25, 28



			<b>Committee of the Whole</b> Bill 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 And as per the Order Paper
Wednesday, November 21	Eve.	-	<b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Supplementary Supply Messages</b> <b>Second Reading/Committee of the Whole</b> Bill 28, 29 <b>Government Motions</b> And as per the Order Paper
Thursday, November 22	Aft.	-	<b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of Supply</b> Supplementary Supply Estimates (Day 1 of 1) <b>Revert to Introduction of Bills</b> Supplementary Supply Bill And as per the Order Paper

**Due Dates Under Standing Order 34(3) for  
Written Questions Accepted and Motions for Returns Agreed to**

Day 44 WQ1, MR2.  
Day 51 MR12.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, November 20, 2001