



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 51

ORDER PAPER

First Session

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Prayers

ROUTINE

O Canada (First sitting day of each week)

Oral Question Period (1:50 p.m. daily)

Introduction of Visitors

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Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Presenting Petitions

Notices of Motions

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Tabling Returns and Reports

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Projected Government Business (Thursday)

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

10. Moved by Hon. Ms Evans:

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

Adjourned debate: Mr. Mason

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 52 Health Information Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Rogers

Committee of the Whole

Bill 40 Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Amendment Act, 2008 —
Mr. Dallas

Third Reading

Bill 49 Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Berger

Bill 50 Victims Restitution and Compensation Payment Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) —
Hon. Ms Redford

Bills Awaiting Royal Assent

Bill 10 Security Services and Investigators Act — Mr. Anderson

Bill 18 Film and Video Classification Act — Hon. Mr. Blackett

Bill 23 Weed Control Act — Mr. Mitzel

Bill 24 Adult Guardianship and Trusteeship Act — Hon. Mrs. Jablonski

Bill 27 Funeral Services Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Johnson

Bill 29 Alberta Capital Finance Authority Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon.
Ms Evans

Bill 32 Meat Inspection Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Griffiths

Bill 33 Agriculture Financial Services Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon.
Mr. Groeneveld

Bill 39 Court Statutes Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Denis

Bill 41 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Danyluk

- Bill 42 Health Governance Transition Act — Hon. Mr. Liepert
- Bill 43 Emergency Health Services Act — Mr. Anderson
- Bill 44 Pharmacy and Drug Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Denis
- Bill 45 Statistics Bureau Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Goudreau
- Bill 46 Health Professions Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Anderson
- Bill 47 Mines and Minerals (New Royalty Framework) Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Webber
- Bill 48 Alberta Corporate Tax Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon. Ms Evans
- Bill 206 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Physical Activity Credit) Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Rodney

Written Questions

- WQ25.** Dr. Taft to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 59):
- How many investigations of violations of zoo standards were conducted and completed by the Department of Sustainable Resource Development between January 1, 2003, and October 31, 2008?
- WQ26.** Mr. Hehr to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 59):
- What is the percentage, broken down by year, of clients who graduated from the Calgary Drug Treatment Court since its commencement on May 10, 2007, to May 16, 2008, who have subsequently been convicted of a possession-related offence?
- WQ27.** Dr. Taft to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 61):
- How many penalties, and their aggregate value, for violations of zoo standards were issued by the Department of Sustainable Resource Development between January 1, 2003, and October 31, 2008?

Motions for Returns

- MR23.** Mr. Chase to propose the following motion (Due Day 65):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of reviews, reports, and recommendations from the Department of Education regarding increasing funding to private schools from January 1, 2006, to October 31, 2008.

MR25. Mr. Chase to propose the following motion (Due Day 61):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of reviews, reports, and recommendations from the Department of Education regarding the usefulness of provincial achievement tests and diploma examinations from January 1, 2007, to October 31, 2008.

MR26. Mr. Hehr to propose the following motion (Due Day 61):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of documents showing the departmental procedures and guidelines for enforcement of zoo standards from January 1, 2003, to October 31, 2008.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

515. Mrs. McQueen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to pursue initiatives which would eliminate the sale of energy intense appliances, lights, and electronics when an energy efficient alternative is available.

516. Ms Woo-Paw to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement the framework for the Alberta Non-profit/Voluntary Sector Initiative (ANVSI), in partnership with the non-profit voluntary sector, to ensure a strong and sustainable voluntary sector that provides service and support to Alberta's communities.

517. Withdrawn

518. Mr. Elniski to propose the following motion (Amended):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to *encourage family-managed care options by improving support services for families who care for elderly relatives.*

519. Mr. Hehr to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Municipal Government Act to provide municipalities with the authority to institute temporary rent controls and a moratorium on condominium conversions.

520. Mr. Dallas to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider supporting a canal system in the Riverlands area of downtown Red Deer as part of the Greater Downtown Action Plan to boost tourism, diversify the economy, and create more jobs in the community.

521. Ms Calahasen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the various methods and technologies available to heat and power Alberta homes and buildings and put a program in place to assist Albertans who choose to use appropriate alternative energy forms.

522. Withdrawn

523. Withdrawn

524. Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the feasibility of allowing seniors' centres to apply for funding through existing grant structures to cover the costs of utilities.

525. Mr. Horne to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to further enhance its commitment to Alberta's environment by considering the implementation of emission standards for automobile exhaust.

526. Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation requiring all school boards to establish and maintain an anaphylactic policy that includes: strategies to reduce exposure to anaphylactic causative agents, information on life-threatening allergies, annual first-aid training on dealing with life-threatening allergies, and a requirement for every school principal to develop a plan for each pupil affected by an anaphylactic allergy, including the maintenance of a file for each anaphylactic pupil.

527. Mr. Hehr to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Act to include sexual orientation among the prohibited grounds of discrimination.

528. Withdrawn

529. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Municipal Government Act to provide municipalities with the authority to institute inclusionary zoning to create additional affordable housing.

- 530.** Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to require the provincial vehicle fleet to be adapted to “green” fuel sources to minimize fossil fuel emissions.
- 531.** Withdrawn
- 532.** Withdrawn
- 533.** Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commit to a comprehensive waste management strategy that promotes integrated curbside recycling, centralized municipal composting, and enhanced capacity for electronics recycling and provide funds for the development of waste reduction technologies.
- 534.** Withdrawn
- 535.** Withdrawn
- 536.** Mr. Allred to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with the Federal Government to increase efficiency and transparency in the process of bringing temporary foreign workers to Alberta.
- 537.** Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to extend the minimum length of vacation time for full-time employees who have worked 12 consecutive months for the same employer from two weeks to three weeks per year.
- 538.** Mrs. Sarich to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consult with a broad cross section of stakeholders to develop a comprehensive approach to early childhood learning in Alberta.
- 539.** Withdrawn
- 540.** Withdrawn
- 541.** Withdrawn
- 542.** Ms Woo-Paw to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to declare the month of May as Asian Heritage Month in Alberta.

543. Withdrawn

544. Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to expand the definition of emergency vehicle in the Traffic Safety Act to include tow trucks so that flashing red lights can be installed to enhance safety on Alberta's highways.

545. Withdrawn

546. Ms DeLong to propose the following motion:

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.

547. Mr. Xiao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to construct overpasses on the west section of Anthony Henday Drive and ensure construction is completed on time.

548. Withdrawn

549. Mr. Chase to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take all action necessary to create additional affordable housing on university campuses.

550. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to include midwifery services as insured services under the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan.

551. Mrs. McQueen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the feasibility of reducing the provincial fuel tax in order to decrease the financial pressures experienced by Albertans.

552. Withdrawn

553. Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to guarantee safe drinking water is available for all Alberta communities.

554. Withdrawn

555. Ms Notley to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prepare and table in the Assembly a clear plan to limit fees for child care while ensuring child care providers have funding available to provide high quality care.

556. Mr. Campbell to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that the Willmore Wilderness Park is promoted to encourage traditional usage such as outfitting, trapping, hunting, and fishing.

557. Withdrawn

558. Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish full-day kindergarten programs as proposed by Alberta's Commission on Learning in its report and recommendations of October 2003.

559. Withdrawn

560. Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take further steps to ensure that natural habitats on public lands in the province are preserved for wildlife and for the enjoyment of future generations of Albertans.

561. Ms Calahasen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the month of June as Aboriginal History Month in Alberta.

562. Withdrawn

563. Withdrawn

564. Mr. Rodney to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue to study, plan, and implement the construction and funding of a high-speed electric rail line between Edmonton and Calgary.

565. Mr. Doerksen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider introducing mandatory drug testing for individuals suspected of impaired driving in situations involving traffic fatalities.

- 566.** Withdrawn
- 567.** Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly establish an all-party committee on oil and gas royalties.
- 568.** Withdrawn
- 569.** Withdrawn
- 570.** Withdrawn
- 571.** Mr. Prins to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider pursuing right-to-farm legislation, which will ensure that farmers are able to conduct standard agricultural practices and receive reasonable protection from the consequences of adjacent industrial, commercial, and residential development.
- 572.** Withdrawn
- 573.** Withdrawn
- 574.** Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to index Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) benefits to the average weekly earnings for Albertans, as established by Statistics Canada, and commit to conducting an annual review.
- 575.** Mr. Elniski to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate public complaints where the equity, openness, and disclosure in the awarding of construction contracts involving unionized labour is questioned.
- 576.** Mr. Bhullar to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the great contribution seniors have made to the development and success of Alberta by exploring methods to eliminate or reduce the education portion of their property taxes.
- 577.** Withdrawn
- 578.** Mr. Weadick to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the feasibility of providing core funding for seniors' centres.

579. Withdrawn
580. Withdrawn
581. Mr. Chase to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to ensure privately contracted care providers receive remuneration equivalent to that paid to employees in the public health care sector.
582. Withdrawn
583. Withdrawn
584. Mr. Sandhu to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require Albertans to make an explicit election regarding organ donation on the back of their Alberta Personal Health Card.
585. Mr. Quest to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend the definition of “qualified person” in the Condominium Property Regulation and create a registry of qualified professionals who can complete a reserve fund study, report, and plan as required under the Condominium Property Act.
586. Withdrawn
587. Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to expand home care health and support services in order to enable seniors to maintain their independent lifestyles whenever possible.
588. Withdrawn
589. Withdrawn
590. Withdrawn
591. Withdrawn
592. Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the number of dental procedures covered by the Dental Assistance for Seniors program.
593. Withdrawn

594. Withdrawn

595. Withdrawn

596. Mr. Bhullar to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue its strong commitment to Alberta's environment by introducing incentives to promote a decrease in the consumer use of plastic bags.

597. Ms Notley to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to move wind energy projects that are currently on the Alberta Electric System Operator queue onto the grid.

598. Withdrawn

599. Mr. Xiao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with municipalities to increase the patrol capacity of police officers for new and fast growing neighbourhoods.

600. Withdrawn

601. Mr. Olson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore initiatives which would further the ability of seniors to age in place and continue living close to their families.

602. Withdrawn

603. Mrs. Forsyth to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to protect Alberta's children from exploitation by implementing a mandatory reporting requirement when a person reasonably believes that a representation is, or might be, child pornography, including online material, books, photographs, or other visual representations.

604. Withdrawn

605. Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to address tax burdens faced by nurses willing to work overtime hours as a result of health care labour shortages.

606. Withdrawn

607. Withdrawn

608. Mr. Dallas to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the benefits of investing in and supporting gasification technology as a tool for waste management in Alberta.

609. Withdrawn

610. Mr. Sandhu to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take measures under the Traffic Safety Act to allow operators of commercial transporters with unevenly distributed non-reducible loads to be issued an overload permit when the axle unit is not overloaded by more than 10 percent.

611. Withdrawn

612. Mr. Olson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore initiatives to allow greater input from landowners in the decision-making process when dealing with questions of orphaned wells and land reclamation.

613. Withdrawn

614. Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to make watershed management planning mandatory for all seven of Alberta's major river basins.

615. Withdrawn

616. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide free tuition to students in Alberta medical schools in exchange for their commitment to practise in Alberta for 10 years upon graduation.

617. Withdrawn

618. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate a bulk buying plan for pharmaceuticals and use any savings to reduce the cost of prescription drugs for Alberta seniors.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

- Bill 210 School (Enhanced Protection of Students and Teachers) Amendment Act, 2008 — Mrs. Forsyth
- Bill 212 Agricultural Operation Practices (Confined Feeding Operations Approvals) Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. McFarland
- Bill 213 Environmental Protection and Enhancement (Fines for Littering on Public Lands and Highways) Amendment Act, 2008 — Ms Calahasen

NOTICES

Government Motions

23. Hon. Mr. Renner to propose the following motion:
- A Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta effective May 21, 2008, be amended as follows:
- 1 **Standing Orders 3 and 3.1 are struck out and the following is substituted:**
- Sitting times and sessional calendar**
- 3(1)** Unless otherwise ordered, the sitting hours of the Assembly shall be as follows:
- Monday: 1:30 – 6 p.m.
 - Tuesday: 1:30 – 6 p.m.
 - Wednesday: 1:30 – 6 p.m.
 - Thursday: 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
- (2)** If at the time of meeting there is no quorum, the Speaker may take the chair and adjourn.
- (3)** The Assembly shall not meet on
- (a) New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Alberta Heritage Day, Labour Day, Remembrance Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, Alberta Family Day,
 - (b) December 26, or when that date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, then either December 27 or 28, as the case may be.
- (4)** Unless otherwise ordered, the Assembly shall meet each year
- (a) for the Spring Sitting commencing on the second Tuesday in February and concluding no later than the first Thursday in June; and

- (b) for the Fall Sitting commencing on the last Monday of October and concluding no later than the first Thursday in December.
- (5) On or before January 15 each year, and following consultation with the Opposition House Leaders, the Government House Leader shall file with the Clerk a calendar that indicates the days on which the Assembly shall sit and which weeks will be constituency weeks when the Assembly will stand adjourned.
- (6) There shall be one constituency week for every 3 sitting weeks unless varied by the calendar provided for under suborder (5).
- (7) As soon as possible after January 15 each year, the Clerk shall publish the calendar provided for under suborder (5).
- (8) Nothing in this Standing Order precludes the Government from advising the Speaker that the public interest requires the Assembly to meet on a certain date, and the Speaker shall give notice that the Assembly shall meet at that time to transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time.
- (9) The Spring or Fall Sitting of the Assembly may be shortened or extended by passage of a motion which shall be decided without debate or amendment.

2 Standing Order 4 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Night sittings and adjournment

- 4(1)** Upon passage of a Government motion, which may be made upon one day's notice and is not subject to debate, the Assembly may meet on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday evening commencing at 7:30 p.m.
- (2)** When there is no evening sitting, at 6 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday or at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, the Speaker adjourns the Assembly until the next sitting day.
- (3)** If the Assembly is in Committee of the Whole 5 minutes before the adjournment time in suborder (2), the Chair shall interrupt the proceedings and call on the Committee to rise and report without question put.
- (4)** When there is to be an evening sitting and the Assembly is in Committee of the Whole at 6 p.m., the Chair leaves the chair until 7:30 p.m.

3 Standing Order 7 is amended by adding the following after suborder (6):

- (7)** At 3 p.m. the items in the ordinary daily routine will be deemed to be concluded and the Speaker shall notify the Assembly.

4 Standing Order 8 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Order of business

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
at 5 p.m.: Motions other than Government Motions.

(2) On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, the order of business for consideration of the Assembly shall be as follows:

Government Motions
Government Bills and Orders
Private Bills.

(3) A motion other than a Government motion, once called, shall be considered until the motion has been given 55 minutes of debate and 5 minutes for the mover of the motion to close debate, unless the motion is voted on sooner, at which time all questions that must be decided in order to conclude debate on the motion shall be decided immediately.

(4) Before the mover closes debate on a motion under suborder (3), 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.

(5) Only one motion other than a Government motion shall be considered on Monday afternoon.

(6) If the Assembly is in Committee of the Whole on Monday afternoon at 4:55 p.m., the Chair shall interrupt and the Committee shall immediately rise and report without question put.

(7) (a) A public Bill other than a Government Bill retains its place on the Order Paper until the Bill has been given

(i) 115 minutes of debate on the motion for second reading and 5 minutes for the mover of the Bill to close debate,

(ii) 120 minutes of debate in Committee of the Whole, and

(iii) 55 minutes of debate on the motion for third reading and 5 minutes for the mover of the Bill to close debate, unless the relevant motion is voted on sooner.

(b) Once the time limits specified in this suborder are reached, all questions that must be decided in order to conclude debate on the motion shall be decided immediately.

(c) A public Bill other than a Government Bill shall be called in Committee of the Whole within 8 sitting days of the day the Bill receives second reading unless the Bill has been referred to a Policy Field Committee, in which case the Bill shall be called within 8 sitting days of the day on which the Policy Field Committee reports.

(d) A public Bill other than a Government Bill shall be moved for third reading by the Member who introduced the Bill, such motion to be made no more than 4 sitting days after the Bill is reported by Committee of the Whole.

(8) 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 (7)(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 25 is amended by adding the following after suborder (2):

(3) When the mover of a substantive motion or Bill is someone other than the sponsor, a later speech by either Member will close debate.

6 Standing Order 37 is amended by striking out suborder (2) and substituting the following:

- (2) In addition to the copies required under suborder (1),
- (a) 2 copies must be tabled of responses to written questions and returns ordered by the Assembly for distribution to the Member who asked the question or moved the motion for return and the Leader of the Official Opposition, and
 - (b) a sufficient number of additional copies must also be tabled for distribution to the leader of any other party or group in opposition.

7 Standing Order 41 is amended by striking out suborder (2) and substituting the following:

(2) The draw referred to in suborder (1) shall be held on a date set by the Speaker.

8 Standing Order 52(1) is amended by striking out “At the commencement of each session” and substituting “At the commencement of the first session of each Legislature”.

9 Standing Order 52.01 is amended in suborder (1) by adding “At the commencement of the first session of each Legislature,” before “Five Policy Field Committees”.

10 Standing Order 52.03 is struck out and the following is substituted:

52.03 A Policy Field Committee may on its own initiative, or at the request of a Minister, review any regulation, amendment to a regulation or prospective regulation within its mandate.

11 Standing Order 52.08 is amended by adding the following after suborder (2):

(3) A Policy Field Committee may report to a Minister or responsible public official on issues arising from a public meeting.

12 Standing Order 52.09(1) is amended by adding “or a report provided for under Standing Order 52.08(3)” after “report on a Bill”.

13 Standing Orders 59.01, 59.02 and 59.03 are struck out and the following is substituted:

Consideration of main estimates

59.01(1) Following the Budget Address, the main estimates of departments shall stand referred to the Policy Field Committees according to their respective mandates, unless otherwise ordered.

(2) The schedule for consideration of main estimates shall be prepared by the Government House Leader in consultation with the Official Opposition House Leader, the third party House Leader and the chairs of the Policy Field Committees, and such schedule, unless otherwise agreed, shall be subject to the following requirements:

- (a) Policy Field Committees shall meet to consider main estimates on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.,
- (b) no more than 2 Policy Field Committees shall be scheduled to meet at the same time,
- (c) each department’s estimates shall receive a minimum of 3 hours’ consideration,
- (d) the estimates of Executive Council may be considered by one of the Policy Field Committees or may be considered by Committee of Supply for a minimum of 2 hours.

(3) The Government House Leader shall table in the Assembly the schedule for consideration of main estimates at any time following the date of the Budget Address being made public and no later than one sitting day following the Budget Address.

(4) A Policy Field Committee shall consider estimates in the following manner:

- (a) the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister’s behalf, may make opening comments not to exceed 10 minutes,

- (b) for the hour that follows, members of the Official Opposition and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak,
 - (c) for the next 20 minutes, the members of the third party, if any, and the Minister or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak, and
 - (d) any Member may speak thereafter.
- (5) When the time allotted for a department's estimates has not expired, but there are no Members who wish to speak, that department's estimates shall be deemed to have been considered for the time allotted in the schedule.
- (6) When an amendment to a department's estimates is moved in a Policy Field Committee, the vote on the amendment stands deferred until the date scheduled for the vote on the main estimates.
- (7) When a Policy Field Committee has completed its consideration of the main estimates of the departments within the Committee's mandate, the Chair shall so report to the Committee of Supply on the date scheduled for the vote on the main estimates without question put.

Application of Standing Orders during main, supplementary and interim estimates

59.02(1) The Standing Orders of the Assembly shall be observed in the consideration of estimates except as follows:

- (a) a Member may speak more than once;
 - (b) no Member may speak for more than 10 minutes at one time.
- (2) Notwithstanding suborder (1)(b), and provided that the Chair has been notified, a Minister and a private Member may combine their respective speaking times for a total of 20 minutes, with both taking and yielding the floor over the combined period.
- (3) During consideration of estimates,
- (a) officials of the Government may be seated at the Committee or in the Assembly to advise the Minister whose estimates are under consideration, and
 - (b) staff of the opposition may also be seated to assist Members who are participating in estimates consideration.

Voting - main estimates

59.03(1) On the date scheduled at the end of consideration of main estimates there shall be one vote in Committee of Supply on main estimates unless

- (a) additional votes are required on amendments pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(7) prior to calling the vote on the main estimates;

- (b) on at least one day's notice a Member has provided written notification to the Chair and the Clerk of his or her desire that the estimates of a particular department be voted upon separately, in which case that department's estimates shall be voted separately and the final vote for the main estimates shall consist of the estimates of any departments not yet voted upon.
- (2) The votes under suborder (1) shall be taken without debate or amendment except as provided in Standing Order 59.01(7).
- (3) The vote on the main estimates may be scheduled with a minimum of one sitting day's notice to occur any time after the Policy Field Committees have completed consideration of the main estimates.
- (4) At 5 p.m. on the date scheduled for the vote on the main estimates, if the vote has not been taken earlier, the Chair shall interrupt the proceedings and, if required, Committee of Supply shall be called and the Policy Field Committee Chairs shall report without question put and then voting on the main estimates shall proceed.
- (5) On the date for the vote on the main estimates and prior to the vote on the main estimates, the Chair shall put the question to approve 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, which shall be decided without debate or amendment.
- (6) Once the Committee of Supply is called on the date scheduled for the vote on the main estimates, it shall, if required, continue beyond the normal adjournment hour until all matters have been voted upon, at which time the Committee shall immediately rise and report.

14 Standing Order 61 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Interim and supplementary estimates

61(1) Interim and supplementary estimates shall be considered for a minimum of

- (a) one afternoon provided that Orders of the Day are called by 3 p.m. and Committee of Supply is the first item of business, or
 - (b) 3 hours if the estimates are scheduled for an evening sitting.
- (2) A member of the Executive Council may, with at least one day's notice, make a motion to determine when Committee of Supply may be called to consider interim or supplementary estimates and the question shall be decided without debate or amendment.

15 Standing Order 62 is struck out.

16 Standing Order 64 is amended by striking out suborder (1) and substituting the following:

64(1) In this Standing Order,

- (a) “Appropriation Bill” means
 - (i) a Bill introduced to appropriate sums of money contained in the estimates approved by the Committee of Supply;
 - (ii) a Bill for a Special Act introduced pursuant to the *Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act*;
 - (iii) a Bill to provide for interim supply;
- (b) “normal adjournment hour” means 6 p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday and 4:30 p.m. on Thursday unless an evening sitting is to be held, in which case it means 10:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

17 Standing Order 65(1) is amended by striking out “and” at the end of clause (a), adding “and” at the end of clause (b) and adding the following after clause (b):

- (c) Policy Field Committees may only go in camera with the unanimous consent of the members present.

18 Standing Order 68(2) is amended by striking out “dissenting or”.

19 Standing Order 72 is amended by striking out suborder (2) and substituting the following:

- (2) The draw referred to in suborder (1) shall be held on a date set by the Speaker.

20 Standing Order 74.1(1) is amended by striking out “Immediately after a Bill has been read a first time” and substituting “At any time after a Bill has been read a first time and before it has been read a second time”.

21 Standing Order 78.1(1) is amended by striking out “Immediately after a Bill has been read a second time” and substituting “At any time after a Bill has been read a second time and before it proceeds to Committee of the Whole”.

22 Schedule A is amended by adding the following after section 25:

- 26** The Clerk shall destroy the ballots following the announcement of the election results.

- B** And be it further resolved that the Standing Orders effective May 21, 2008, as amended in Part A of this motion, shall no longer be considered temporary and shall come into force on the day following the conclusion of the 2008 Fall Sitting.
- C** And be it further resolved that the appointments to the standing committees of the Assembly outlined in Government Motion 2 and approved by the Assembly on April 15, 2008, as amended by Government Motions 12 and 16 agreed to on April 30, 2008 and May 29, 2008, respectively, be deemed to stand for the balance of the 27th Legislature.

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 51 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2008 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove
- Bill 53 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) — Hon. Ms Redford
- Bill 211 Documentation of Child Access Exchange Act — Ms DeLong
- Bill 215 Tobacco Reduction (Protection of Youth from Second-hand Smoke in Vehicles) Amendment Act, 2008 — Dr. Sherman
- Bill 216 Seniors' Advocate Act — Mrs. Sarich
- Bill 217 Traffic Safety (Heavy Vehicle Lane Limitation) Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Lukaszuk

Projected Government Business

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| Tuesday, November 25 | Aft. | - Government Bills and Orders |
| | | Second Reading |
| | | Bill 40, 52 |
| | | Committee of the Whole |
| | | Bill 41, 50 |
| | | Third Reading |
| | | Bill 47, 48, 49 |
| | | And as per the Order Paper |
| | Eve. | - Government Bills and Orders |
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			Bill 52
			Third Reading
			Bill 40, 41
			And as per the Order Paper

**Due Dates Under Standing Order 34(5) for
Written Questions Accepted and Motions for Returns Agreed to**

Day 64 WQ20, MR10, MR11, MR16
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Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, November 25, 2008