

Day 20

ORDER PAPER

Fourth Session

Twenty-Ninth Legislature

Thursday, April 19, 2018

Prayers (1:30 p.m.)

ROUTINE (1:30 p.m.)

O Canada (First sitting day of each week)

Oral Question Period (1:50 p.m. daily) (Day 3)

Introduction of Visitors
Introduction of Guests
Ministerial Statements
Members' Statements
Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees
Presenting Petitions
Notices of Motions
Introduction of Bills
Tabling Returns and Reports
Tablings to the Clerk

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

13. Moved by Hon. Min. Ceci:

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

Adjourned debate: Mr. Fildebrandt

16. Hon. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the report of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices tabled on April 10, 2018 (Sessional Paper 67/2018), and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Mr. Lorne Gibson be appointed as Election Commissioner for a term of 5 years commencing May 15, 2018.

17. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the membership of the Assembly's committees be replaced as follows:

- A. on the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, that Mr. Horne replace MLA Connolly, Ms Luff replace Mrs. Schreiner, and MLA McPherson replace Mr. Clark;
- B. on the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, that Ms Woollard replace Mr. Horne, MLA Connolly replace Ms Luff, and Mr. Fraser replace MLA McPherson:
- C. on the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, that Mrs. Schreiner replace Ms Woollard, Mr. Westhead replace Mr. Kleinsteuber, Mr. Fildebrandt replace MLA McPherson, Mr. Clark replace Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Panda be appointed to the vacant position;
- D. on the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, that Ms Luff replace Ms McKitrick and MLA McPherson replace Mr. Clark;
- E. on the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, that Ms McKitrick replace MLA Drever and Mr. Sucha replace Mr. Kleinsteuber;
- F. on the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, that MLA Drever replace Ms Luff, Mr. Westhead replace Ms Jabbour, and Ms Babcock replace Mrs. Schreiner;
- G. on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, that Mr. Clark replace Mr. Fildebrandt.

Adjourned debate: Mr. Nixon

18. Hon. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

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

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

- (7) The items in the ordinary daily routine will be deemed to be concluded at 3 p.m. and the Speaker shall notify the Assembly unless notice has been provided under suborder (8).
- (8) The Government House Leader, or member of the Executive Council acting on the Government House Leader's behalf, may provide notice to the Assembly prior to 3 p.m. on that day that the daily routine shall continue beyond 3 p.m.
- 19. Hon. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

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

Standing Order 56 is amended by striking out suborder (2.1) and substituting the following:

- (2.1) A temporary substitution in the membership of a standing or special committee may be made upon written notification signed by the original Member and filed with the Clerk and Committee Chair, or through an email communication sent directly from the original Member to the Clerk and Committee Chair, provided such notice is given
- (a) on a business day, not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting for the substitution of the Chair or Deputy Chair, and
- (b) prior to the scheduled start of the meeting for the substitution of any other Member.
- **20.** Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), commencing May 1, 2018, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business for the duration of the Fourth Session of the 29th Legislature 2018 Spring Sitting unless the Government House Leader notifies the Assembly that there shall be no evening sitting that day by providing notice under Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or at any time prior to 6 p.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 1 Energy Diversification Act — Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

Adjourned debate: Mr. Westhead

- Bill 2 Growth and Diversification Act (\$) Hon. Mr. Bilous Debate adjourned.
- Bill 6 Gaming and Liquor Statutes Amendment Act, 2018 Hon. Ms Ganley Adjourned debate: Ms Goehring
- Bill 7 Supporting Alberta's Local Food Sector Act Hon. Mr. Carlier Debate adjourned on amendment, Mr. Stier speaking.
- Bill 8 Emergency Management Amendment Act, 2018 Hon. Mr. S. Anderson
- Bill 9 Protecting Choice for Women Accessing Health Care Act Hon. Ms Hoffman

 Debate adjourned.
- Bill 10 An Act to Enable Clean Energy Improvements Hon. Mr. S. Anderson
- Bill 11 Lobbyists Amendment Act, 2018 Hon. Ms Gray
- Bill 12 Preserving Canada's Economic Prosperity Act Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd
- Bill 14 An Act to Empower Utility Consumers Hon Ms McLean

Committee of the Whole

Bill 5 An Act to Strengthen Financial Security for Persons with Disabilities — Hon. Mr. Sabir

2018-19 Main Estimates Consideration

April 19 Municipal Affairs

(9:00 a.m.) (LPC – Resource Stewardship, Rocky Mountain Room)

Children's Services

(LPC – Families and Communities, Parkland Room)

April 19 Main Estimates Votes

(3:00 p.m.) (Committee of Supply, Chamber)

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

- Bill 203 Long Term Care Information Act Mrs. Schreiner
- Bill 204 Land Statutes (Abolition of Adverse Possession) Amendment Act, 2018 Mr. Gotfried

Referred to the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future

Bill 201 Employment Standards (Firefighter Leave) Amendment Act, 2018

— Mr. W. Anderson

Motions Other Than Government Motions

502. Mr. Fildebrandt to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services to reduce by five percent the salaries payable to members of the Executive Council under section 1 of the Executive Council Salaries Order and the indemnity allowance and other allowances payable to Members of the Legislative Assembly under sections 1(a), 3(2) and 4 of the Members' Allowances Order, and to not approve any increases to these reduced salaries and allowances until such time as the Minister of Finance tables a balanced budget for that fiscal year in the Assembly.

503. Dr. Starke to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend its fiscal management policies and practices and introduce any necessary legislation to ensure that revenue from fees, levies, specific taxes, and fines goes directly to support the program and service areas requiring those fees, levies, specific taxes, and fines to be collected and is not deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

504. Mr. Cyr to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that would prohibit distribution fees and levies to be charged on residential customers' electricity and natural gas bills unless there is an actual, measurable use of electricity or natural gas and which also caps administration fees on such bills at \$10.

505. Hon. Mr. Kenney to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately demand that the Government of Canada introduce any necessary legislative changes that would prohibit the consideration of upstream and downstream emissions by a federal energy regulator at any stage of the pipeline approval process.

506. Ms Sweet to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with municipal and federal government counterparts to address the impact of the mountain pine beetle on our national parks and tourism and forestry industries.

507. Mrs. Schreiner to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to strengthen partnerships with Rural Electrification Associations (REAs) and other cooperatively organized utility associations by developing policies that promote the long-term viability and sustainability of REAs and other cooperatively organized utility associations.

508. Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undergo an examination of Government of Alberta websites, educational resources, and public information campaign print material to develop new content to encourage active transportation through physical activity and to ensure that existing communications do not create barriers to engaging in active transportation through physical activity.

509. Ms Kazim to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to assess the viability of a supermarket food recovery program similar to the food saving program implemented in Quebec and examine other strategies to recycle food waste that support Albertans living in poverty.

510. Mr. Stier to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately discontinue serving meals that have been previously cooked, frozen, and then reheated to Albertans living in supportive and assisted living facilities and begin serving only fresh food, cooked and prepared onsite, within six months from the date this motion is passed.

511. Ms McKitrick to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage communities to support urban agriculture by working with municipalities to develop strategies that include but are not limited to the following: utilizing vacant lots and front yards as gardens, the establishment of small scale urban market farms, and increasing awareness of food distribution and production processes among consumers in urban areas.

512. Withdrawn

513. MLA Cortes-Vargas to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase job creation by developing additional strategies that build on current Government investments in the diversification of the Alberta economy.

514. Ms Renaud to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine strategies for reducing barriers to abortion and reproduction health services in rural and northern Alberta.

515. Mr. Panda to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the federal government to streamline its regulatory approval process to support the establishment of a national transportation and utility corridor, from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts, north of major cities and the existing Trans-Canada Highway, in order to facilitate the construction of pipelines, power lines, railways, highways, and new communities, and to help access new markets and well-paying jobs for Canadians.

516. Mr. Orr to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide support to the non-profit and charitable sectors by examining ways that would relieve the financial burden imposed by the provincial carbon levy and changes to the employment standards and regulations.

517. Mr. Carson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to study the gender pay gap and related issues in Alberta in order to determine potential policy measures to reduce inequity and promote greater economic opportunities for women in Alberta.

518. Mrs. Pitt to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to study supports that can be provided to families affected by divorce, with the goal of reducing the number of legal proceedings in Alberta courts relating to family law matters.

519. Mr. Gotfried to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the first week of May as Economic Development and Diversification Week.

520. Mr. Hinkley to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to support renewable energy projects with substantial participation, including ownership opportunities, by communities, First Nations, Metis communities, co-operatives, farmer associations, or individuals.

Referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing

501. Moved by Mr. W. Anderson (amended):

Be it resolved that the following proposed amendment to the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing for review and that the Committee submit its report to the Assembly on or before June 19th, 2018:

that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be amended by renumbering Standing Order 52.04 as Standing Order 52.04(1) and by adding the following after suborder (1):

(2) Suborder (1) does not prevent a Legislative Policy Committee from undertaking a hearing or inquiry during the same period of time that a matter stands referred to the Committee by the Assembly if the hearing or inquiry does not interfere with the work of the Committee on the matter referred to it.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill 13 An Act to Secure Alberta's Electricity Future (\$) — Hon. Ms McCuaig-Boyd

Bill 15 Appropriation Act, 2018 (\$) — Hon. Min. Ceci

Projected Government Business

Thursday, April 19 Aft. – Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

All votes on the 2018-19 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates and the 2018-19 Government Estimates

Introduction of Bills

Bill 15

Government Motions

Motion 16, 17

Government Bills and Orders Second Reading

Bill 10, 11

And as per the Order Paper

Hon. Robert E. Wanner, Speaker

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