

Day 69

ORDER PAPER

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Monday, November 23, 2020

Prayers (1:30 p.m.)

ROUTINE (1:30 p.m.)

O Canada (First sitting day of each week) God Save the Queen (Thursday)

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
Deferred Divisions (Thursday)

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

4. Moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

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

Adjourned debate: Mr. Ellis

28. Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- a) condemn the actions of public sector unions who are blocking a proposed wage top-up for healthcare aides in continuing care facilities, and
- b) express its gratitude to the hard working healthcare aides who are helping to keep Alberta's most vulnerable people safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **29**. Oral notice having been given, moved by Hon. Mr. Madu on behalf of Hon. Mr. Kenney:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- a) affirm its loyalty to a united Canadian federation, and
- b) urge the Government to obtain a fair deal for Alberta within the Canadian federation.

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Madu

30. Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2020 Spring Sitting of the Assembly shall stand adjourned upon the Government House Leader advising the Assembly that the business for the Sitting is concluded.

42. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly commend the tremendous efforts of Albertans to protect lives and livelihoods throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and the consequent global recession, and urge the Government to pursue prudent policies that protect the vulnerable while supporting the broader social, economic, mental and physical health of Albertans.

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mrs. Allard

43. Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2020 Fall Sitting of the Assembly shall stand adjourned upon the Government House Leader advising the Assembly that the business for the Sitting is concluded.

- 44. Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:
 - A. Be it resolved that despite any Standing Order, practice of the Legislative Assembly or the 2020 sessional calendar, at any time during the Second Session of the 30th Legislature the Government House Leader may, upon providing a minimum of 24 hours' written notice to the Speaker, or by notifying the Assembly no later than the time of adjournment on the preceding sitting day, advise that the public interest requires the Assembly to sit extended hours
 - (a) on Thursday beyond the normal adjournment hour, or
 - (b) on Friday, Saturday or Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. commencing with prayers followed by
 - (i) the ordinary daily routine to consist of those items set out in Standing Order 7(1), with Oral Question Period commencing at 10:20 a.m. and, for the purpose of Standing Order 7(7) and (8), the Daily Routine shall be deemed completed at 11:30 a.m., and
 - (ii) Orders of the Day to consist of those items of business set out in Standing Order 8(2)

and the Speaker shall give notice that the Assembly shall meet at that time to transact its business;

- 3. And be it further resolved that this motion (a) takes effect immediately on passage, and (b) expires at 11:59 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021.
- 45. Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Government Motion 44 is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the motion, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the motion shall be put forthwith.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

- Bill 35 Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020
 Hon. Mr. Toews

 Adjourned debate on amendment: Mr. Ellis
- Bill 44 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Toews Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Nally
- Bill 46 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2) Hon. Mr. Shandro Adjourned debate: Mr. Schow
- Bill 47 Ensuring Safety and Cutting Red Tape Act, 2020 (\$) Hon. Mr. Copping Debate adjourned, Ms Goehring speaking.
- Bill 48 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2020 (No. 2) Hon. Mr. Hunter Adjourned debate: Mr. Turton

Committee of the Whole

- Bill 37 Builders' Lien (Prompt Payment) Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Glubish
- Bill 38 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Madu
- Bill 39 Child Care Licensing (Early Learning and Child Care) Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Ms Schulz
- Bill 40 Forests (Growing Alberta's Forest Sector) Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Dreeshen
- Bill 41 Insurance (Enhancing Driver Affordability and Care) Amendment Act, 2020
 Hon. Mr. Toews
- Bill 43 Financing Alberta's Strategic Transportation Act Hon. Mr. McIver
- Bill 45 Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2) Hon. Mrs. Allard

Third Reading

Bill 36 Geothermal Resource Development Act — Hon. Mrs. Savage

Bills Awaiting Royal Assent

- Bill 42 North Saskatchewan River Basin Water Authorization Act Hon. Mr. Nixon
- Bill 204 Voluntary Blood Donations Repeal Act Mr. Yao

Private Bills

Second Reading

Bill Pr1 The Sisters of the Precious Blood of Edmonton Repeal Act — Mr. Williams

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills

Bill 207 Reservists' Recognition Day Act — Mr. Rutherford (Due Day 75)

Second Reading

Bill 205 Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month Act — Mr. Singh (Time remaining: 66 minutes)

Debate adjourned, Mr. Schow speaking

Bill 206 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Mr. Barnes

Motions Other Than Government Motions

513. Ms Hoffman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider (a) restoring per-student provincial funding in the Ministry of Education budget in line with levels during the 2018-2019 fiscal year, and (b) providing additional support to school boards to address the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on Alberta's students.

514. Mr. Bilous to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly (a) recognize that technology companies are essential to Alberta's economic future, and (b) urge the Government to support the growth of these companies by (i) immediately adopting and investing in an industry-led approach to developing and commercializing artificial intelligence, machine learning, and data science technology; (ii) ensuring province-wide access to high speed internet; and (iii) attracting a globally recognized technology accelerator to Alberta.

515. Mr. Horner to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with electricity agencies and electric utilities to lower transmission and distribution costs for consumers.

516. Ms Phillips to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take into consideration the views of the residents of Calgary, Lethbridge, Red Deer, and the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, who are well served by a local, integrated model of emergency dispatch, and immediately take steps to reverse the decision to implement the centralization of the dispatch of emergency medical services.

511.* Moved by MLA Loyola (Time remaining: 44 minutes):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly affirm that it is unquestionably in Alberta's interest to remain part of the Canadian federation and unequivocally denounce calls for Alberta to become a state that is independent of a strong and united Canada.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Schow speaking.

*Moved to bottom of item of business pursuant to motion moved by Mr. Schow under Standing Order 8(4), agreed to on November 2, 2020.

Written Questions

- **WQ1.** Mr. Shepherd to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 70): How much was spent by the Government to cancel the Edmonton lab hub project?
- WQ2. Mr. Deol to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 70):
 How many agendas, minutes, and reports on key measurement targets have been produced by Alberta's Anti-Racism Advisory Council from May 1, 2019, to October 19, 2020?
- WQ3. Ms Phillips to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 72):
 How many applications for public agency board positions were received by the Public Agency Secretariat between April 20, 2019, and October 19, 2020?

Motions for Returns

MR1. MLA Loyola to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A list of all service level changes in provincial highways maintenance contracts between March 31, 2019, and October 19, 2020.

MR2. MLA Loyola to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents prepared by the Ministry of Transportation between March 31, 2019, and October 19, 2020, containing or related to service level changes for provincial highway maintenance contracts.

MR3. MLA Loyola to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of briefing materials, SMS messages, and email messages providing advice to the Minister of Transportation, including media preparation materials, prepared between May 1, 2019, and October 29, 2019, relating to Mandatory Entry-level Training for class 1 and 2 commercial drivers.

MR4. Mr. Dang to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all purchase orders, invoices, and other transaction records from May 1, 2019, to October 19, 2020, relating to the purchase of new furniture and amenities for offices in the Legislature Building.

MR5. Mr. Bilous to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all Ministerial Orders issued by each Ministry between January 1, 2019, and October 19, 2020, excluding those items that fall within the exceptions to disclosure provisions in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

MR6. Ms Ganley to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, including but not limited to business plans, agendas, minutes, Ministerial Orders, and directives, prepared by the Government between April 16, 2019, and October 16, 2019, relating to the incorporation of the Canadian Energy Centre as a provincial corporation under the Financial Administration Act.

MR7. Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of documents prepared for and by the Ministry of Health between May 1, 2019, and October 19, 2020, relating to the Alberta Dental Association and College's dental fee guide.

MR8. Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all reports received by the Ministry of Health from Alberta Health Services between May 1, 2019, and October 19, 2020, relating to medical device reprocessing.

MR9. Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion (Due Day 70):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all surveillance reports prepared by the Ministry of Health between May 1, 2014, and October 19, 2020, relating to the incidence of sexually transmitted infections and diseases in Alberta.

MR10. Ms Goehring to propose the following motion (Due Day 71):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A list of Screen-based Production Grant recipients and the total dollar amount approved for those grants in the fiscal year 2018-2019, broken down by fiscal quarter.

MR11. Ms Phillips to propose the following motion (Due Day 72):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, including tables and graphs, prepared between April 16, 2019, and August 15, 2019, containing or relating to the projections and forecasts used by the Government to determine the effect of the corporate tax reduction on Government revenue.

MR12. Ms Phillips to propose the following motion (Due Day 72):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the competition matrix for each position posted between April 20, 2019, and October 19, 2020, on the Public Agency Secretariat public agency board opportunities website.

MR13. Ms Phillips to propose the following motion (Due Day 72):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A list of public agency board opportunities posted, including competition number, opening date, closing date, job description, and the Ministry, agency, board, or commission seeking applicants, between April 20, 2019, and October 19, 2020, for which an executive or professional search firm was contracted.

NOTICES

Government Motions

46. Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that:

- The October 2020 Evaluation Summary Report of the Office of the Advocate for Persons with Disabilities (Sessional Paper 431/2020) be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities for review;
- 2. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
- 3. In accordance with section 6(5) of the Advocate for Persons with Disabilities Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 90 days of the report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 49 Labour Mobility Act Hon. Mr. Copping
- Bill 208 Alberta Investment Management Corporation Amendment Act, 2020 Ms Phillips

Projected Government Business

Monday, November 23

* If time permits, pursuant to Standing Order 8(1.1)(b) Aft.* - Government Business

As per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 35, 46, 47

Third Reading

Bill 36

And as per the Order Paper

Tuesday, November 24 Morn. – Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 47

And as per the Order Paper

Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 48

Committee of the Whole

Bill 37, 41

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 46, 47

Committee of the Whole

Bill 38, 40, 41

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, November 25

Morn. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 46, 47

And as per the Order Paper

Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 47

Committee of the Whole

Bill 35

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 46, 47, 48

Committee of the Whole

Bill 35, 41, 43, 44

Government Motion 44

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, November 26

Morn. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 46

And as per the Order Paper

Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 37, 40

And as per the Order Paper

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

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