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(Issued Wednesday, February 24, 2021, pursuant to Standing Order 39(4))

# **ORDER PAPER**

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, February 25, 2021

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 1)

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.

**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.

**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.

# Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

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

- Bill 208 Alberta Investment Management Corporation Amendment Act, 2020 Ms Phillips (Due Day 84)
- Bill 209 Cost of Public Services Transparency Act Mr. Stephan (Due Day 85)
- Bill 211 Municipal Government (Firearms) Amendment Act, 2020 Ms Glasgo (Due Day 86)
- Bill 212 Official Sport of Alberta Act Mr. Yaseen (Due Day 86)

#### **Second Reading**

Bill 206 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Ms Glasgo (Time remaining: 59 minutes)

Debate adjourned, Mr. Williams speaking

Bill 207 Reservists' Recognition Day Act — Mr. Rutherford

#### Committee of the Whole

Bill 205 Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month Act — Mr. Singh (Time remaining: 112 minutes)

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

**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.

# **NOTICES**

#### **Government Motions**

**61.** Hon. Mr. Toews to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government, as presented in the Assembly on February 25, 2021.

**62**. Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, despite Standing Orders 13(7), 16, and 32(4)(b), for the duration of the 2021 Spring Sitting of the Second Session of the 30th Legislature, and to allow for appropriate physical distancing within the Chamber during that time, all Members may sit, speak, and vote in any seat that has not been assigned to them provided that they immediately relinquish that seat on the request of

- (a) the Member who has been assigned that seat, or
- (b) the Speaker.
- **63.** Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

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

- A. on the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, that Mr. Rowswell replace Mr. Getson and Mr. Rowswell replace Mr. Getson as Deputy Chair, Ms Issik replace Ms Glasgo, and Mr. Yaseen replace Mr. Turton;
- B. on the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, that Ms Rosin replace Mr. Nixon, Mr. Smith replace Mr. van Dijken, and Mr. Yaseen replace Mr. Walker;
- C. on the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, that Mr. Dang replace Ms Ganley, Mr. Amery replace Mr. Horner, Mr. Rutherford replace Mr. Neudorf, and Mr. Getson replace Mr. Nixon;
- D. on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, that Mr. Barnes replace Ms Issik, Ms Ganley replace Ms Pancholi, and Mr. Gotfried replace Mr. Yao;
- E. on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, that Mr. Guthrie replace Mr. Gotfried as Deputy Chair, Mr. Walker replace Mr. Gotfried, Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk replace Mr. Barnes, Ms Pancholi replace Mr. Dach, Mr. Neudorf replace Mr. Reid, Ms Lovely replace Ms Rosin, Mr. Singh replace Mr. Stephan, and Mr. Turton replace Mr. Toor;
- F. on the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, that Mr. Sigurdson replace Mr. Walker;

- G. on the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, that Ms Sweet replace Mr. Dang, Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Horner, Mr. Rowswell replace Mr. Stephan, and Mr. Walker replace Mr. Toor;
- H. on the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, that Ms Lovely replace Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Gotfried replace Mr. Nixon, and Mr. Smith replace Mr. Yao;
- on the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, that Mr. Guthrie replace Ms Fir, Ms Issik replace Mr. Rehn, and Mr. Turton replace Mr. Smith.
- **64.** Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:
  - A. Be it resolved that temporary amendments be made to the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, effective February 10, 2021, as follows:
    - (a) Standing Order 3 is amended
      - (i) in suborder (4) by striking out "(8) or (9)" and substituting "(8), (9) or (10)", and
      - (ii) by adding the following after suborder (9):
        - (10) Subject to suborder (12), the Speaker may extend a period of adjournment in accordance with suborder (11) if the Speaker is satisfied that either of the following applies:
          - (a) the Assembly should not meet on that specific date or time due to an emergency event;
          - (b) it is in the public interest for the period of adjournment to be extended.
        - (11) The Speaker may extend an adjournment by, after consulting with the Government House Leader and the Official Opposition House Leader,
          - (a) specifying the date and time until which the adjournment is extended, and
          - (b) providing notice of that date and time when the Assembly shall next meet to transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that date and time.
        - (12) A period of adjournment extended under suborder (11) may be superseded by subsequent notification from the Government under suborder (8) that the Assembly must meet.

- (b) Standing Order 5 is amended
  - (i) in suborder (1) by striking out "20 Members" and substituting "12 Members", and
  - (ii) by striking out suborder (2) and substituting the following:
    - (2) If, during a sitting of the Assembly, a question of quorum arises, the Speaker shall, on determining that a quorum is lacking
      - (a) order the bells to ring for no longer than 15 minutes,
      - (b) conduct a count of the Members present immediately after the bells are rung, and
      - (c) if quorum is still lacking on conclusion of the count, declare a recess or adjourn the Assembly until the next sitting day.
- B. Be it further resolved that the temporary amendments in this motion come into force on passage and expire at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, June 4, 2021.
- **65.** Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), for the duration of the 2021 Spring Sitting of the Second Session of the 30th Legislature, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business unless the Government House Leader, or a member of the Executive Council on the Government House Leader's behalf, advises the Assembly that there shall be no evening sitting by providing notice during Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or at any time no later than 6 p.m. on the sitting day on which the evening sitting will be cancelled.

**66.** Hon. Mr. Nixon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that Bill 211, Municipal Government (Firearms) Amendment Act, 2020, be moved to Government Bills and Orders on the Order Paper.

# Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 49 Labour Mobility Act Hon. Mr. Copping
- Bill 51 Citizen Initiative Act Hon. Mr. Madu
- Bill 52 Recall Act Hon. Mr. Madu
- Bill 53 Service Alberta Statutes (Virtual Meetings) Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Glubish
- Bill 54 Irrigation Districts Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Dreeshen
- Bill 55 College of Alberta School Superintendents Act Hon. Min. LaGrange

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

Day 103 WQ2, WQ3, MR6, MR12, MR13

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker