

Day 97

ORDER PAPER

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, April 14, 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 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.

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.

61. Moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

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.

Adjourned debate: Ms Gray

- 71. 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 2021 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, advise that the public interest requires the Assembly to sit extended hours
 - (a) on Thursday beyond the normal adjournment hour, or
 - (b) on Friday or Saturday 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;

- B. And be it further resolved that this motion (a) takes effect immediately on passage, and (b) expires at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, June 4, 2021.
- **73.** Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mrs. Savage to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 56, Local Measures Statutes Amendment Act, 2021, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Second Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

74. Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mrs. Savage to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 56, Local Measures Statutes Amendment Act, 2021, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

75. Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mrs. Savage to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Government Motion 71 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 51 Citizen Initiative Act Hon. Mr. Madu Adjourned debate: Mr. Schow
- Bill 52 Recall Act Hon. Mr. Madu
- Bill 56 Local Measures Statutes Amendment Act, 2021—Hon. Mr. McIver Adjourned debate: Mr. Sabir
- Bill 57 Metis Settlements Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Wilson Adjourned debate: MLA Ceci
- Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act Hon. Mrs. Aheer Debate adjourned.
- Bill 62 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Hunter
- Bill 63 Police (Street Checks and Carding) Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Madu
- Bill 64 Public Lands Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Nixon Adjourned debate: Mr. Schow
- Bill 65 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Shandro
- Bill 66 Public Health Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Shandro Adjourned debate: Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk
- Bill 67 Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Education Act Hon. Mr. Nicolaides

Committee of the Whole

- Bill 55 College of Alberta School Superintendents Act Hon. Min. LaGrange
- Bill 61 Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Glubish

Private Bills

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

Bill Pr2 The United Church of Canada Amendment Act, 2021 — Ms Phillips

Bills Awaiting Royal Assent

- Bill 54 Irrigation Districts Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Mr. Dreeshen
- Bill 211 Municipal Government (Firearms) Amendment Act, 2020 Ms Glasgo

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

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

Bill 214 Eastern Slopes Protection Act — Ms Notley (Due Day 101)

Second Reading

- Bill 207 Reservists' Recognition Day Act Mr. Rutherford (Time remaining: 34 minutes)
 - Debate adjourned, MLA Irwin speaking.
- Bill 209 Cost of Public Services Transparency Act Mr. Stephan
- Bill 212 Official Sport of Alberta Act Mr. Yaseen
- Bill 213 Traffic Safety (Maximum Speed Limit for Provincial Freeways) Amendment Act, 2021 — Mr. Turton

Referred to the Select Special Committee on Real Property Rights

Bill 206 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Ms Glasgo

Motions Other Than Government Motions

518. Mr. Williams to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that

- A. the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta effective February 25, 2021 be amended
 - (a) in Standing Order 29 by striking out suborder (2), and
 - (b) by adding the following after Standing Order 29:

Intervention

- 29.1(1) A Member may, in accordance with this Standing Order, intervene during another Member's speech on any item of debate referred to in Standing Order 29(1) except if the speech is one of the following:
 - (a) a Member's opening or closing speech in respect of moving a resolution or a Bill;
 - (b) a Member's speech immediately following an opening speech referred to in clause (a);
 - (c) a Member's speech on a motion for an address in reply to the Lieutenant Governor's speech.
- (2) A Member may request to intervene during another Member's speech by rising while that Member is speaking.
- (3) If a Member requests to intervene, the Member who is speaking may, immediately on the other Member rising
 - (a) agree to the request by
 - (i) acknowledging the Member's request,
 - (ii) stating that they agree to the request, and
 - (iii) taking their seat, or
 - (b) refuse the request by continuing with their speech.
- (4) If a Member agrees to a request to intervene
 - (a) the Member's speaking time is immediately suspended until the intervention concludes,
 - (b) the Member who intervenes
 - (i) is limited to a speaking time of one minute, and
 - (ii) may only ask questions or make comments on matters relevant to the speech on which they have intervened,

- (c) no Member, including the Member whose speech is the subject of the intervention, may request to intervene during the intervention, and
- (d) on conclusion of the intervention, the Member whose speech was the subject of the intervention may resume speaking for the remainder of their speaking time.
- (5) If a Member refuses a request to intervene
 - (a) the Member may continue speaking for the remainder of their speaking time, and
 - (b) the Member who made the request must immediately take their seat
- (6) A Member may not agree to more than five interventions during their speech.
- (7) For greater certainty, a Member may make multiple requests to intervene in another Member's speech.
- (8) Despite any other suborder under this Standing Order, the Speaker may direct any Member as is necessary to preserve order and decorum during a debate.
- B. the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing
 - (a) conduct a review of the amendments set out in Part A within one year of the day on which these amendments come into force, and
 - (b) table a report in the Assembly on that review, which may include any amendments recommended by the Committee, within 365 days of the day on which the Standing Committee commences its review.
- C. the amendments set out in Part A come into force on passage of this Motion.

519. Ms Sweet to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take any necessary steps to maintain the current water allocations for the headwater tributaries of the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains including the Oldman River Basin Water Allocation Order (Alberta Regulation 319/2003) pending extensive consultations with the agricultural sector, Indigenous communities, ranchers, municipal districts, and the general public.

520. Ms Goodridge to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue to promote organ and tissue donation by further working to identify and reduce red tape to facilitate the timely donation of critically needed donor organs and tissue.

521. Mr. Sabir to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Minister of Municipal Affairs to exercise their power to apply the public interest exception under the Disaster Recovery Regulation to residents, businesses and organizations that were unable to receive compensation for the damages and losses caused by the hail storm disaster in Calgary on June 13, 2020, because, in the Minister's opinion, it is in the public interest for the Minister to direct that such compensation be provided to those individuals, businesses and organizations.

522. Ms Glasgo to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize the critical role of agriculture in Alberta's economy and urge the Government to take steps to ensure that Alberta's agriculture and agri-food industries are essential components of the economic recovery plan in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

524. Ms Lovely to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the important work of rural veterinarians and explore ways to increase the number of veterinarians serving rural communities.

525. Mr. Smith to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Assembly urge the Government to consider taking the necessary steps to develop an incentive framework designed to assist in supporting the profitability of small and medium-sized oil and gas companies in Alberta while maintaining provincial and federal environmental standards.

530. Mr. Jones to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reaffirm the value of communities of religious faith in Alberta, recognize their contributions to our society, and pledge to safeguard their individual and corporate rights to express and practise their faiths both privately and publicly.

511.* Moved by MLA Loyola (Time remaining: 43 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.

*Moved to bottom of item of business pursuant to motion moved by Mr. Ellis under Standing Order 8(4), agreed to on March 22, 2021.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill	49	Labour Mobility Act — Hon. Mr. Copping
Bill	68	Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Madu
Bill	69	Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Nixon
Bill	215	Seniors Advocate Act — Ms Sigurdson

Bill 216 Fire Prevention and Fire Services Recognition Act — Ms Lovely

Projected Government Business

Wednesday, April 14 Aft. — Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 66

Committee of the Whole

Bill 55, 56, 66

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 51, 57

Committee of the Whole

Bill 56, 66

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, April 15 Aft. – Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 56, 64

And as per the Order Paper

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