



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

Day 117

(Issued Friday, October 22, 2021,  
pursuant to Standing Order 39(4))

**ORDER PAPER**

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

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Monday, October 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 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.

## **Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders**

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

Bill 220 Employment Standards (Expanding Bereavement Leave) Amendment Act,  
2021 — Mr. Walker (Due Day 123)

### **Motions for Concurrence in Committee Reports on Public Bills Other than Government Bills**

Bill 215 Seniors Advocate Act — Ms Sigurdson (Time remaining: 29 minutes)

Adjourned debate: Mr. Rowswell

Bill 218 Provincial Parks (Protecting Park Boundaries) Amendment Act, 2021 —  
Mr. Schmidt (Time remaining: 49 minutes)

Adjourned debate: Mr. Schow

Bill 219 Workers' Compensation (Expanding Presumptive Coverage) Amendment  
Act, 2021 — Ms Sweet (Time remaining: 49 minutes)

Adjourned debate: Mr. Williams

### **Second Reading**

Bill 209 Cost of Public Services Transparency Act — Mr. Stephan (Time  
remaining: 61 minutes)

Debate adjourned.

Bill 212 Official Sport of Alberta Act — Mr. Yaseen

Bill 213 Traffic Safety (Maximum Speed Limit for Provincial Freeways)  
Amendment Act, 2021 — Mr. Turton

Bill 214 Eastern Slopes Protection Act — Ms Notley

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

### **Referred to the Select Special Committee on Real Property Rights**

Bill 206 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Mrs. Frey

## **Committee of the Whole**

Bill 207 Reservists' Recognition Day Act — Mr. Rutherford (Time remaining: 99 minutes)

## **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

**519.** Moved by Ms Sweet (Time Remaining: 32 minutes):

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.

Debate adjourned on subamendment, Mr. Schow speaking.

**520.** Withdrawn

**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.** Mrs. Frey 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.

527. Ms Rosin to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that

- (a) the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing
  - (i) conduct a review of the Standing Orders, procedures, practices and traditions of other Westminster-style parliaments for the purpose of identifying the rules, processes or practices of those parliaments and their committees that facilitate collaboration and cooperation among their Members, and
  - (ii) recommend changes to the Standing Orders and practices of the Assembly, including its committees, that would facilitate increased collaboration and cooperation among all Members of the Assembly.
- (b) during the course of its review, the Committee continues despite prorogation of a session of the 30th Legislature and may, without leave of the Assembly, meet during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued, and
- (c) no later than 9 months after the beginning of the Committee's review, the Committee must submit a report on its review to the Legislative Assembly that sets out the Committee's recommendations, if any.

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.*

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## NOTICES

### Government Motions

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

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

- (a) the Member who has been assigned that seat, or
- (b) the Speaker.

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

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1) and for the duration of the 2021 Fall Sitting of the Second Session of the 30th Legislature, the Assembly must meet to consider Government business on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings unless, during Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or before the Assembly adjourns on a sitting day, the Government House Leader advises the Assembly of the morning sittings that are no longer required.

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

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1) and for the duration of the 2021 Fall Sitting of the Second Session of the 30th Legislature, the Assembly must meet to consider Government business on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings unless, during Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or before 6 p.m. on a sitting day, the Government House Leader notifies the Assembly that no evening sitting is required on that sitting day.

98. 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 Hon. Mr. Orr as Chair and Mrs. Allard replace Hon. Mr. Orr, Mr. Jones replace Mr. Rowswell as Deputy Chair, Mr. Hunter replace Hon. Ms Issik, and Mr. Rehn replace Hon. Mr. Yaseen;

- B. on the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, that Mr. Rutherford replace Mr. Schow as Chair and Mr. Long replace Mr. Schow, Mr. Milliken replace Mr. Sigurdson as Deputy Chair and Mr. Milliken replace Mr. Sigurdson, Mrs. Allard replace Ms Lovely, and Mr. van Dijken replace Hon. Mr. Yaseen;
- C. on the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, that Mr. Rutherford replace Hon. Mr. Ellis as Chair and Mr. Long replace Hon. Mr. Ellis, Mr. Nixon replace Mr. Schow as Deputy Chair and Mr. Nixon replace Mr. Schow, Ms Rosin replace Mr. Getson, and Mr. Rehn replace Mr. Sigurdson;
- D. on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, that Mrs. Aheer replace Mr. Jones, and Mr. Stephan replace Ms Lovely;
- E. on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, that Mr. Reid replace Mr. Guthrie as Deputy Chair and Mr. Reid replace Mr. Guthrie, and Mr. Toor replace Mr. Neudorf;
- F. on the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, that Mr. Schow replace Hon. Mr. Ellis as Deputy Chair and Mr. Schow replace Hon. Mr. Ellis, and that Mrs. Allard be appointed;
- G. on the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, that Mrs. Frey replace Mr. Reid;
- H. on the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, that Ms Lovely be appointed Chair, Mr. Reid replace Mr. Rutherford, and that Mr. Hunter be appointed;
- I. on the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, that Ms Lovely replace Hon. Ms Issik, and Mr. Yao replace Hon. Mr. Yaseen;
- J. on the Select Special Committee on Real Property Rights, that Mr. van Dijken replace Hon. Mr. Orr, and that Mr. Yao be appointed;
- K. on the Select Special Child and Youth Advocate Search Committee, that Mr. Turton replace Hon. Ms Fir.

**99.** 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 July 1, 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) After consulting with the Government House Leader and the Official Opposition House Leader, the Speaker may extend an adjournment by,

- (a) specifying the date and time until which the adjournment is extended, and
- (b) providing notice of that date and time that the Assembly must 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. Be it further resolved that the temporary amendments in this motion come into force on passage and expire at 11:59 p.m. on Monday, February 7, 2022.

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

A. Be it resolved that, despite any Standing Order and given the urgent public importance of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Assembly debate the COVID-19 pandemic in relation to all relevant matters arising since the Assembly's most recent debate on this matter on May 27, 2020;

B. And be it further resolved that the Assembly debate the matter referred to in Part A commencing on a date set by the Government House Leader in consultation with the Official Opposition House Leader that is no later than November 4, 2021, of which the Government House Leader must provide notice to the Assembly under Notices of Motions during the Daily Routine on the day immediately preceding that date.

C. And be it further resolved that the Assembly debate the matter referred to in Part A as follows:

- (a) the Premier may make the first statement not exceeding 30 minutes;
- (b) immediately following the Premier's statement, the Leader of the Official Opposition may make a statement not exceeding 15 minutes;
- (c) immediately following the Leader of the Official Opposition's statement and for a period not exceeding 30 minutes

- (i) the Leader of the Official Opposition may ask questions on matters relevant to the Premier's statement or the Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and
- (ii) the Premier or any member of Executive Council may respond to those questions;
- (d) immediately following the question and response period referred to in clause (c), the Minister of Health may make a statement not exceeding 10 minutes;
- (e) immediately following the Minister of Health's statement and for a period not exceeding 15 minutes
  - (i) Members who are not a member of Executive Council may ask questions on matters relevant to the statement or the Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and
  - (ii) any member of Executive Council may respond to those questions;
- (f) any member of Executive Council may make a statement not exceeding 10 minutes;
- (g) immediately following each statement made by a member of Executive Council and for a period not exceeding 15 minutes
  - (i) any Member who is not a member of Executive Council may ask questions on matters relevant to the statement or the Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and
  - (ii) any member of Executive Council may respond to those questions;
- (h) a Member who asks a question or a member of Executive Council who responds in accordance with clause (c), (e) or (g) is limited to a period of 2 minutes at one time to ask that question or make a response;
- (i) immediately after all statements and related periods for questions and responses have concluded, the debate is considered to have been concluded by the Assembly without decision.

D. And be it further resolved, for greater clarity, the debate may be adjourned at any time.

### **Leave to Introduce a Bill**

Bill 49 Labour Mobility Act — Hon. Mr. Kenney\*

*\*Sponsorship transferred following portfolio change in Executive Council.*

Bill 73 Infrastructure Accountability Act — Hon. Mr. Panda

Bill 74 Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Nicolaides

Bill 75 Arts Professions Recognition Act — Hon. Mr. Orr

Bill 76 Captive Insurance Companies Act — Hon. Mr. Toews

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,  
Speaker