



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 119

ORDER PAPER

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Prayers (9:00 a.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.

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.

100. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

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.

Adjourned debate on amendment: Mr. Schow

101. Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mr. Kenney to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly:

- (a) recognize the results of the referendum held on October 18, 2021, where 61.7 per cent of voters supported removing section 36(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982 - Parliament and the Government of Canada's commitment to the principle of making equalization payments,
- (b) reaffirm the principle articulated by the Supreme Court of Canada in its 1998 Quebec Secession Reference that it is "the constitutional right of each participant in the federation to initiate Constitutional change," and that "this right implies a reciprocal duty on the other participants to engage in discussions to address any legitimate initiative to change the constitutional order,"
- (c) authorize Her Excellency the Governor General to issue a Proclamation under the Great Seal of Canada amending the Constitution of Canada in accordance with the schedule set forth below, and
- (d) direct the Government of Alberta to take all necessary steps to secure a fair deal for Alberta in the Canadian federation, including the reform of federal transfer programs, the defence of provincial powers in the Constitution, and the right to pursue responsible development of our natural resources.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

- Bill 49 Labour Mobility Act — Hon. Mr. Kenney
Adjourned debate: MLA Ceci
- Bill 73 Infrastructure Accountability Act — Hon. Mr. Panda
Adjourned debate: Ms Lovely
- Bill 74 Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Nicolaides
- Bill 75 Arts Professions Recognition Act — Hon. Mr. Orr

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: 28 minutes)
Adjourned debate: Mr. Rowsell
- Bill 218 Provincial Parks (Protecting Park Boundaries) Amendment Act, 2021 — Mr. Schmidt (Time remaining: 48 minutes)
Adjourned debate: Mr. Schow
- Bill 219 Workers' Compensation (Expanding Presumptive Coverage) Amendment Act, 2021 — Ms Sweet (Time remaining: 48 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. Smith

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: 79 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.*

Written Questions

- WQ4.** Mr. Bilous to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 133):
How many businesses have qualified for the Alberta Jobs Now Grant since its inception to October 26, 2021, and what are the names of the businesses that qualified for the grant?
- WQ5.** Mr. Bilous to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 133):
How much money has been distributed by the Investment and Growth fund, as referenced on page 114 of the 2021/22 Fiscal Plan, since its inception to October 26, 2021, and to whom has that money been distributed?

Motions for Returns

- MR14.** Mr. Dang to propose the following motion (Due Day 133):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence, Outlook calendar entries, and other records held by Executive Council related to the Premier's 2021 summer vacation.
- MR15.** Mr. Dang to propose the following motion (Due Day 133):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence and all other records related to the appointment of the person or persons designated as Acting Premier during the Premier's 2021 summer vacation.
- MR16.** Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion (Due Day 133):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence and briefing materials provided by the office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health to the office of the Minister of Health between July 1, 2021, and August 31, 2021.
- MR17.** Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion (Due Day 133):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence, briefing materials, and other records held by Executive Council, the Ministry of Health, or the Ministry of Municipal Affairs related to contact with federal officials regarding COVID-19 pandemic related federal assistance for Alberta between August 1, 2021, and September 30, 2021.

MR18. Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion (Due Day 133):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence, briefing materials, and other records provided
by Alberta Health Services to the office of the Minister of Health between
July 1, 2021, and September 30, 2021.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

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

Bill 77 Municipal Government (Restoring Tax Accountability) Amendment Act,
2021 — Hon. Mr. McIver

Bill 78 Alberta Housing Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Ms Pon

Government Motions

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

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Government Motion 100 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.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker