

Day 124

### **ORDER PAPER**

**Second Session** 

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, November 4, 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 2)

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.

#### **101.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Kenney:

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 the 1998 Reference re Secession of Quebec 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 an amendment to the Constitution of Canada to be made by proclamation issued by Her Excellency the Governor General under the Great Seal 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 enumerated in the Constitution, and the right to pursue responsible development of natural resources.

#### **SCHEDULE**

#### AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF CANADA

- 1. The *Constitution Act, 1982* is amended by repealing subsection 36(2) thereof.
- 2. This Amendment may be cited as the *Constitution Amendment, [year of proclamation]*.

#### MODIFICATION DE LA CONSTITUTION DU CANADA

- 1. Le paragraphe 36(2) de la *Loi constitutionnelle de 1982* est abrogé.
- 2. Titre de la présente modification : *Modification constitutionnelle de [l'année de la proclamation]*.

Adjourned debate: Mr. Smith

#### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

- Bill 73 Infrastructure Accountability Act Hon. Mr. Panda
   Adjourned debate: Ms Phillips
   Bill 75 Arts Professions Recognition Act Hon. Mr. Orr
   Adjourned debate on amendment: Mr. Dang
   Bill 76 Captive Insurance Companies Act Hon. Mr. Toews
   Adjourned debate on amendment: Ms Hoffman
   Bill 77 Municipal Government (Restoring Tax Accountability) Amendment Act,
   2021 Hon. Mr. McIver
   Adjourned debate: Ms Goehring
   Bill 78 Alberta Housing Amendment Act, 2021 Hon. Ms Pon

#### Committee of the Whole

Bill 79

Bill 49 Labour Mobility Act — Hon. Mr. Kenney

Trails Act — Hon. Mr. Nixon

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

#### Special Debate on the COVID-19 Pandemic\*

Adjourned debate: Hon. Ms Issik

<sup>\*</sup> Pursuant to Government Motion 100, agreed to by the Assembly on October 28, 2021, following consultation with the Official Opposition, the debate outlined in Government Motion 100 commenced during the evening sitting on Monday, November 1, 2021.

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

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

Bill 218 Provincial Parks (Protecting Park Boundaries) Amendment Act, 2021 — Mr. Schmidt (Time remaining: 39 minutes)

Adjourned debate: Mr. Dang

Bill 219 Workers' Compensation (Expanding Presumptive Coverage) Amendment Act, 2021 — Ms Sweet (Time remaining: 48 minutes)

Adjourned debate: Mr. Williams

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

#### **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 215 Seniors Advocate Act Ms Sigurdson
- 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

#### Third Reading

Bill 207 Reservists' Recognition Act — Mr. Rutherford (Due Day 125)

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

#### 520. Withdrawn

**521.** Mr. Sabir to propose the following motion (replaced):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly censure the Premier for his failed leadership leading up to and through the fourth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**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 80 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 (No. 2) Hon. Ms Fir
- Bill 81 Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2) Hon. Mr. Madu
- Bill 82 Mineral Resource Development Act Hon. Mrs. Savage

#### **Projected Government Business**

Thursday, November 4 Morn. — Government Bills and Orders

**Second Reading** 

Bill 74, 77

And as per the Order Paper

# Aft. – Government Bills and Orders Second Reading

Bill 75

And as per the Order Paper

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 4, 2021