

Day 2

# **ORDER PAPER**

**Fourth Session** 

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

**Prayers (1:30 p.m.)** 

**ROUTINE** (1:30 p.m.)

O Canada (First sitting day of each week) God Save the King (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

# Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

Mr. Toor to propose the following motion, seconded by Ms Lovely:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour the Honourable Salma Lakhani, AOE, B.Sc., LLD (hon), the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

# **Government Motions**

**2.** Hon. Mr. Schow to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve into Committee of the Whole, when called, to consider certain Bills on the Order Paper.

**3.** Hon. Mr. Schow to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve itself into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider supply to be granted to His Majesty.

**4.** Hon. Mr. Schow to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2022 Fall Sitting is extended until either of the following occurs, immediately after which the Assembly stands adjourned:

- (a) the end of the day on December 22, 2022;
- (b) the Government House Leader advises the Assembly that the business for the sitting is concluded.
- **5.** Hon. Mr. Schow to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that Standing Order 3(6), which provides for one constituency week for every three sitting weeks, not apply to the 2022 Fall Sitting.

**6.** Hon. Mr. Schow to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1) and for the duration of the 2022 Fall Sitting of the Fourth 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 notifies the Assembly that there shall be no evening sitting that day by providing notice under Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or at any time prior to 6 p.m.

7. Hon. Mr. Schow to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that

- (a) the Conflicts of Interest Act be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship and the Committee shall be deemed to be the special committee of the Assembly for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review pursuant to section 48 of that Act;
- (b) the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued; and
- (c) in accordance with section 48 of the Conflicts of Interest Act, the Committee must submit its report to the Assembly within one year after beginning its review and that report is to include any amendments recommended by the Committee.
- **8.** Hon. Mr. Schow 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. Orr replace Mr. Rowswell as Chair, Mr. Orr replace Mr. Rowswell, Mrs. Allard replace Mr. Jones as Deputy Chair, Mr. Gotfried replace Mr. Jones, Ms Pon replace Mr. Rehn, and Ms Issik replace Mr. Singh;
- B. on the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, that Mr. Smith replace Mr. Rutherford as Chair, Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Milliken as Deputy Chair, Mr. Hunter replace Mr. Rutherford, Mr. Toor replace Mr. Milliken, Mr. Rehn replace Mrs. Allard, Mr. Panda replace Mr. Long, and Mr. Orr replace Ms Rosin;
- C. on the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, that Mr. Williams replace Mr. Rutherford as Chair, Mr. Williams replace Mr. Rutherford, Ms Rosin replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon as Deputy Chair, Ms Lovely replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon, Mr. Jason Nixon replace Mr. Amery, and Mr. Panda replace Mr. Long;
- D. on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, that Mr. Reid replace Mr. Smith as Chair, Mr. Jason Nixon replace Mr. Smith, Mr. Gotfried replace Mr. Reid as Deputy Chair, Mr. Rehn replace Mr. Neudorf, Mrs. Allard replace Mr. Stephan, and Mr. Yao replace Mr. Williams;
- E. on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, that Mr. Hunter replace Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Mr. Stephan replace Mr. Rowswell, Mr. Turton replace Mr. Reid as Deputy Chair, Mr. Panda replace Mr. Reid, and Mr. Yaseen replace Mr. Walker;

- F. on the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, that Mr. Williams replace Mr. Schow as Deputy Chair, Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Schow, Mr. Rowswell replace Mr. Sigurdson, Mr. McIver replace Mr. Neudorf, Ms Pon replace Mr. Long, and Ms Fir replace Mrs. Allard;
- G. on the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, that Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Neudorf as Chair, Mr. McIver replace Mr. Neudorf, Mrs. Allard replace Ms Rosin, Mr. Carson replace Ms Sweet, Mr. Feehan replace MLA Irwin, and that Mr. Stephan be appointed;
- H. on the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, that Mr. Long replace Mr. Amery, Mr. Yaseen replace Mr. Hunter, Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk replace Mr. Reid, Mr. Yao replace Mr. Loewen, and that Ms Fir be appointed;
- I. on the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, that Ms Issik replace Mr. Guthrie, Mrs. Aheer replace Ms Lovely, Mr. Orr replace Mr. Rehn, Mr. Sigurdson replace Mr. Yao, Mr. Feehan replace Mr. Ceci as Deputy Chair, and Mr. Nielsen replace Mr. Ceci;
- J. on the Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee, that Ms Rosin replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon as Chair, Mr. Smith replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon, and Mr. Williams replace Ms Rosin as Deputy Chair.
- **9.** Hon. Mr. Schow to propose the following motion:
  - A. Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, effective February 23, 2022, be amended as follows:
    - (a) in Standing Order 7
      - (i) in suborder (1) by striking out "God Save the Queen (Thursday)" and substituting "Royal Anthem (Thursday)";
      - (ii) by striking out suborder (3) and substituting the following:
        - (3) When Introduction of Guests is called and for a period not exceeding 4 minutes, brief introductions, each not exceeding 20 seconds, may be made of groups of students and, with the prior permission of the Speaker, of other visitors in the galleries.
      - (iii) in suborder (4) by striking out "9 Members" and substituting "7 Members";

- (b) in Standing Order 8
  - (i) by striking out suborder (1) and substituting the following:
    - **8(1)** On Monday afternoon, after the daily routine, the order of business for consideration of the Assembly shall be as follows:

Written Questions

Motions for Returns

Motions for Concurrence in Committee Reports on Public Bills other than Government Bills

Public Bills and Orders other than Government Bills and Orders

At 5 p.m.: Motions other than Government Motions

- (ii) in suborder (7)(c) by striking out "4 sitting days" wherever it occurs and substituting "8 sitting days";
- (c) by striking out Standing Order 13(5.1);
- (d) in Standing Order 23(k) by striking out "Her Majesty" and substituting "His Majesty";
- (e) in Standing Order 52(1)(c) by striking out "Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills" and substituting "Private Bills";
- (f) in Standing Order 52.01(1) by striking out clauses (a) to (c) and substituting the following:
  - (a) Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future mandate related to the areas of Advanced Education; Culture; Forestry, Parks and Tourism; Infrastructure; Jobs, Economy and Northern Development; Skilled Trades and Professions; Technology and Innovation; Trade, Immigration and Multiculturalism;
  - (b) Standing Committee on Families and Communities mandate related to the areas of Children's Services; Education; Health; Justice; Mental Health and Addiction; Public Safety and Emergency Services; Seniors, Community and Social Services; Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction;
  - (c) Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship mandate related to the areas of Affordability and Utilities; Agriculture and Irrigation; Energy; Environment and Protected Areas; Indigenous Relations; Municipal Affairs; Transportation and Economic Corridors; Treasury Board and Finance.

- (g) by striking out Standing Order 59.01(12);
- (h) in Standing Order 74.1
  - (i) in the heading by striking out "Government Bill" and substituting "Bill", and
  - (ii) in suborder (1) by striking out all of the words after "read a second time," and substituting "the following Members may, without notice, move a motion to refer the Bill to a standing or special committee:
    - (a) with respect to a Government Bill, a member of the Executive Council:
    - (b) with respect to a public Bill other than a Government Bill, the sponsor."
- (i) by striking out Standing Order 74.11;
- (j) by striking out Standing Order 83(1) and substituting the following:
  - **83(1)** The Assembly shall not adopt or pass any vote, resolution, address or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue, or of any tax or impost, to any purpose that has not been first recommended to the Assembly by Message of the Lieutenant Governor in the session that the vote, resolution, address or Bill is being proposed.
- (k) by striking out Standing Order 89 and substituting the following:

#### **Publication of deadline**

**89** The Clerk of the Assembly shall publish a notice on the Legislative Assembly website that indicates the day on which the applicable period for receiving private Bills will expire

- (a) when a calendar is published under Standing Order 3(7), and
- (b) prior to the commencement of the first session of a Legislature.
- (1) in Standing Order 91
  - (i) by striking out suborders (1) and (2) and substituting the following:
    - **91(1)** The petitioner shall publish a notice of the application once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in at least one newspaper of general circulation in each area of Alberta to which the application relates, commencing not earlier than November 1 of the year preceding the year in which the petition will be submitted.

- (2) The notice shall clearly specify
  - (a) the nature and object of the private Bill,
  - (b) the area of Alberta in which any proposed work or activity authorized by the private Bill may take place, and
  - (c) the location of any property that may be affected by the private Bill.
- (ii) in suborder (4) by striking out "Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Committee" and substituting "Private Bills Committee".
- (m) by striking out Standing Order 93;
- (n) in Standing Order 94 as follows:
  - (i) in suborder (1)
    - (A) by striking out "shall, within the time limited by suborder (2) deliver to the Clerk of the Assembly" and substituting "shall, in accordance with suborder (2), deliver the following to the Clerk of the Assembly:",
    - (B) in clause (b) by striking out "publication of a notice in accordance with Standing Order 91 by a statutory declaration" and substituting "publication of a notice of application, in accordance with Standing Order 91, in the form of a statutory declaration",
    - (C) in clause (c) by striking out "fee required by" and substituting "fee required under", and
    - (D) by striking out clause (d);
  - (ii) in suborder (2)
    - (A) by striking out "The fees and documents listed in suborder (1) shall all be delivered" and substituting "The petitioner shall deliver the fees and documents listed in suborder (1)", and
    - (B) by striking out "by the 15th day following the first day of the first sitting in any year" and substituting "no later than the 15th day following the first day of
      - (a) the first sitting in a calendar year, or
      - (b) the first session of a Legislature."

(o) in the following Standing Orders by striking out "Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Committee" and substituting "Private Bills Committee":

Standing Order 96(2)

Standing Orders 98(1) and (3)

Standing Order 100(1)

Standing Order 101

Standing Order 102

Standing Order 103

Standing Order 104

Standing Order 105(1)

Standing Order 106;

- (p) in the headings preceding Standing Orders 98, 100 and 105 by striking out "Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Committee" and substituting "Private Bills Committee";
- (q) in Standing Order 108.1(b) by striking out "substitute" and substituting "shall substitute".
- B. Be it further resolved that upon passage of this motion a Bill that was referred under Standing Order 74.11(1) before the passage of this motion be placed on the Order Paper for second reading.
- C. And be it further resolved that the amendments in this motion come into force on passage.

# **Government Bills and Orders**

# **Second Reading**

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

# **NOTICES**

## Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill 201 Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act — Hon. Ms Notley

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

**501.** Ms Renaud to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to

(a) immediately investigate the recent increases in grocery prices and lack of competition in the grocery market in Alberta and report its findings to the Assembly no later than January 15, 2023; and

(b) amend the Consumer Protection Act to clarify that the practice of price gouging is unfair and, as such, is subject to investigation by Service Alberta's Consumer Investigations Unit.

## **502.** Mr. Shepherd to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly is of the view that COVID-19 vaccines are a prudent and necessary tool that allowed the economy to open more fully in 2021, and the ongoing use of these vaccines supports public health and safety, and the full operation of the economy and the education system;

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) affirm its trust in the science-based research, including research and vaccine development here in Alberta, that led to the creation of COVID-19 vaccines and that has saved the lives of tens of thousands of Albertans, and
- (b) reject claims that COVID-19 vaccines are bioweapons.

#### **503.** Hon. Ms Sigurdson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government

- (a) to consider taking immediate action to reduce costs to seniors related to medical benefits, long-term care, continuing care, home care, assisted living, drivers' licence medical exams, and other basic essentials that have increased dramatically since 2019; and
- (b) to create an independent office of the Seniors' Advocate, the mandate of which would include
  - (i) helping seniors navigate provincial public services,
  - (ii) providing policy and affordability recommendations related to seniors to the Government, and
  - (iii) conducting reviews on providers of services to seniors to ensure seniors' needs are met.

## **504.** Mr. Yao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reject the federal government's proposal to transition to an electricity system with net-zero emissions by 2035, given the extraordinary costs to Albertans, and instead support sustainable initiatives that reduce emissions from electricity generation.

#### **505.** Hon. Mr. Schmidt to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that would prohibit new coal mining activity in Alberta's Eastern Slopes.

#### **506.** Mr. Smith to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with other provinces to ensure the unfair federal equalization formula is renegotiated before it expires in 2024.

#### **507.** Ms Goehring to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) recognize that Alberta has been acknowledged for having a world-class public education system;
- (b) oppose any efforts to create a privatized, two-tier education system; and
- (c) oppose the use of vouchers for education, similar to those used in the United States.

# **508.** Mr. Gotfried to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly condemn antisemitism, as defined by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Plenary on May 26, 2016, with the Lieutenant Governor in Council adopting that definition on September 23, 2022, through its making of Order in Council 317/2022, to mean a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews, along with rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism directed towards Jewish or non-Jewish individuals or their property or toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities;

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide clear direction that the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Plenary's definition of antisemitism, along with its illustrative examples, be adopted by all ministries, publicly funded school boards and post-secondary institutions, public agencies, boards and commissions, and other publicly funded, legislated or regulated entities under the authority of the Province so that these entities may better recognize and act against any instances of antisemitism as defined;

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Minister responsible

- (a) to prepare a report on an annual basis following each calendar year that sets out the level and extent of antisemitic acts that have been publicly reported to have occurred in the Province during that year, and
- (b) to table in the Legislative Assembly, at that Minister's first opportunity, the report referred to in paragraph (a).

# **509.** Mr. Long to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to include accredited funded private schools in grades 1 to 12 transportation funding to ensure equity in school choice.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker