

Day 3

ORDER PAPER

Fourth Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, December 1, 2022

Prayers (1:30 p.m.)

ROUTINE (1:30 p.m.)

O Canada (First sitting day of each week) Royal Anthem (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

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech (Day 1)

Moved by Mr. Toor and 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.

Adjourned debate: Mr. Dach

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Hunter

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.

NOTICES

Government Motions

10. Hon. Ms Smith to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are members of Executive Council.

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 Hon. Mr. Jones
- Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 Hon. Mr. Shandro
- Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 Hon. Mr. Copping
- Bill 5 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 Hon. Mr. Shandro
- Bill 201 Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act Hon. Ms Notley
- Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022 Mr. Williams
- Bill 203 Traffic Safety (Excessive Speeding Penalties) Amendment Act, 2022 Mr. Toor

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker