

Day 2

ORDER PAPER

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Tuesday, October 31, 2023

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 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

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

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 following committees be established for the duration of the Legislature:

- A. Five Select Standing Committees for the following purposes:
 - (1) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing;
 - (2) Public Accounts;
 - (3) Private Bills;
 - (4) Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund;
 - (5) Legislative Offices;
- B. A Special Standing Committee on Members' Services;
- C. Three Legislative Policy Committees for the following purposes:
 - (1) Standing Committee on Families and Communities;
 - (2) Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future;
 - (3) Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship.
- **3.** 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.

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

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

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

Be it resolved that the following Members be appointed to the Assembly's five Select Standing Committees, one Special Standing Committee, and three Legislative Policy Committees:

Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund (9 Members)

| Yao (Chair) | Bouchard | Kasawski |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| Rowswell (Deputy Chair) | Brar | Kayande |
| Boitchenko | Hunter | Wiebe |

Standing Committee on Legislative Offices (11 Members)

Getson (Chair) Eremenko Shepherd van Dijken (Deputy Chair) Hunter Sinclair Chapman Long Vacant

Dyck Renaud

Standing Committee on Private Bills (11 Members)

 Pitt (Chair)
 Deol
 Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

 Stephan (Deputy Chair)
 Dyck
 Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

Bouchard Hayter Vacant

Ceci Petrovic

Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing (12 Members)

Yao (Chair)CyrStephanArmstrong-Homeniuk
(Deputy Chair)DachWiebeArcand-PaulGrayVacantCeciJohnsonVacant

Standing Committee on Public Accounts (12 Members)

Pancholi (Chair)GanleyMcDougallRowswell (Deputy Chair)HajiSchmidtArmstrong-HomeniukLovelyVacantde JongeLuntyVacant

Special Standing Committee on Members' Services (11 Members)

Cooper (Chair)LongSinghGetson (Deputy Chair)PhillipsYaoEggenRowswellVacant

Gray Sabir

Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future (12 Members)

Getson (Chair) de Jonge Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

Loyola (Deputy Chair) Elmeligi Yao Boparai Hoyle Vacant Cyr Stephan Vacant

Standing Committee on Families and Communities (12 Members)

Lovely (Chair)LongSinghGoehring (Deputy Chair)LuntyTejadaBattenMetzVacantBoitchenkoPetrovicVacant

Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship (12 Members)

Rowswell (Chair) Calahoo Stonehouse Sinclair
Schmidt (Deputy Chair) Dyck Sweet
Al-Guneid Hunter Vacant
Armstrong-Homeniuk McDougall Vacant

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

A. Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, effective November 30, 2022, be amended as follows:

- (a) in Standing Order 7
 - (i) in suborder (3) by striking out "not exceeding 4 minutes" and substituting "not exceeding 6 minutes", and
 - (ii) in suborder (4) by striking out "up to 7 Members" and substituting "up to 6 Members";

- (b) in Standing Order 52
 - (i) in suborder (1) by striking out clauses (a) to (e) and substituting the following:
 - (a) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, consisting of 10 Members;
 - (b) Public Accounts, consisting of 10 Members;
 - (c) Private Bills, consisting of 10 Members;
 - (d) Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, consisting of 9 Members;
 - (e) Legislative Offices, consisting of 10 Members.
 - (ii) in suborder (2) by striking out "consisting of 11 Members" and substituting "consisting of 10 Members";
- (c) in Standing Order 52.01(1)
 - (i) by striking out "consisting of 12 Members each" and substituting "consisting of 10 Members each", and
 - (ii) by striking out clauses (a) to (c) and substituting the following:
 - (a) the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future is mandated to consider areas related to Advanced Education; Agriculture and Irrigation; Arts, Culture and Status of Women; Immigration and Multiculturalism; Infrastructure; Jobs, Economy and Trade; Technology and Innovation; Tourism and Sport;
 - (b) the Standing Committee on Families and Communities is mandated to consider areas related to Children and Family 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) the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship is mandated to consider areas related to Affordability and Utilities; Energy and Minerals; Environment and Protected Areas; Forestry and Parks; Indigenous Relations; Municipal Affairs; Transportation and Economic Corridors; Treasury Board and Finance.
- B. And be it further resolved that the amendments set out in this motion come into force on passage.

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

Be it resolved that

- (a) the Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities 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 14 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 14 of the Public Sector Compensation Transparency Act, the Committee must submit its report to the Assembly within six months 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 Legislative Assembly urge the Government of Canada to

- (a) acknowledge the negative impact of the federal consumer carbon tax on the cost of living,
- (b) recognize that the recent exemption from the consumer carbon tax provided for home heating oil will create inequities amongst Canadians, particularly with respect to those in Alberta who use lower carbon-emitting heating sources for their homes, such as natural gas, and
- (c) take all necessary steps required to end the federal consumer carbon tax.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 1 Alberta Taxpayer Protection Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Ms Smith

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 2 Alberta Pension Protection Act Hon. Mr. Horner
- Bill 3 Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2023

 Hon. Mr. Williams
- Bill 4 Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) Hon. Mr. Horner
- Bill 5 Public Sector Employers Amendment Act, 2023* Hon. Mr. Horner
- Bill 201 Alberta Health Care Insurance (Access Fees) Amendment Act, 2023 MLA Brar

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Ms Al-Guneid to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide certainty to individuals and businesses investing in Alberta by introducing a Bill, the purpose of which is to prevent disruptions to investment as occurred when the Government imposed a moratorium on authorizations for renewable energy projects in August 2023, and that, if enacted, would prohibit the Government from suspending or pausing an application, assessment or approval for a proposed project on the basis that the Government is reviewing existing projects, applications, assessments or approval processes.

502. MLA Calahoo Stonehouse to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, effective November 30, 2022, be amended in Standing Order 6 by adding ", followed by an Indigenous Land Acknowledgement," immediately after "The Speaker shall offer prayers".

503. Ms Hayter to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider taking the necessary steps to provide universal access to free prescription contraception, including oral hormone pills, contraceptive injections, copper and hormonal intrauterine devices, subdermal implants, and emergency contraception known as Plan B.

504. Mr. Deol to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce a Bill that would prohibit the use of public-private partnerships, otherwise known as P3 models, for school construction in Alberta.

505. Mr. Getson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to

- (a) recognize the significant health, economic and environmental impacts on Albertans resulting from Alberta wildfires, and
- (b) introduce a Bill to amend the Forest and Prairie Protection Act to increase the penalties for committing an offence under that Act.

506. Ms Sweet to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly support the recommendations of the 2023 Alberta Beef Competitiveness Study and urge the Government to work with industry and the federal government to support Alberta beef producers by establishing a mandatory wholesale beef market information reporting system.

507. Hon. Ms Sigurdson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider introducing a Bill to create incentives and supports aimed at reducing financial barriers to participation by seniors in senior wellness activities and exercise programs delivered by municipalities and private organizations.

508. Dr. Elmeligi to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) recognize the importance of tourism on Alberta's economy and the need to balance visitor experiences and resident affordability, and
- (b) urge the Government to work with municipalities in Alberta's Rocky Mountains with tourism-based economies to establish funding and support programs that ensure municipal taxpayers do not bear the financial responsibility for the additional infrastructure requirements and operational demands on those municipalities due to tourism.

509. Ms Pitt to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the federal government to listen to the concerns of Canadians on affordability and suspend the carbon tax to address the affordability crisis in Canada.

510. Mr. Dyck to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the right of parents and guardians to have primary responsibility for the upbringing and development of their children, and that these duties should not be assumed by any other individuals or institutions within our society.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, October 31, 2023

^{*}Title of Bill 5 corrected.