



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 26

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Ninth Legislature

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Members' Statements

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the potential negative effects of the United Conservative Party's proposed taxation plan, voted on at the party's policy convention held in Red Deer from May 4 to 6, 2018.

Hon. Mr. Kenney, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement welcoming His Highness the Aga Khan to Alberta as part of the Diamond Jubilee Year of the Aga Khan's 60th year of reign, and regarding contributions to Canada made by His Highness and the Ismaili Muslim community.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement welcoming His Highness the Aga Khan to Alberta as part of the Diamond Jubilee Year of the Aga Khan's 60th year of reign, and regarding the Ismaili community's contributions in Alberta.

Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills, made a statement regarding the New Democratic Party Government's failure to support alternative measures to transport oil and gas from Alberta to tidewater.

Mr. Fildebrandt, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement regarding the need for local members of political parties to select their own candidates and set their parties' policies.

Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, made a statement regarding a critical shortage of rail infrastructure, which is severely affecting numerous industries, particularly the forestry sector.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 16 Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Statutes Amendment Act,
2018 — Hon. Ms Gray

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Min. Ceci, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Report, undated, entitled “Commentary No. 511, The Numbers Game: Rating the Fiscal Accountability of Canada’s Senior Governments, 2018,” prepared by the C.D. Howe Institute

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

16. Moved by Hon. Mr. Feehan on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the report of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices tabled on April 10, 2018 (Sessional Paper 67/2018), and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Mr. Lorne Gibson be appointed as Election Commissioner for a term of 5 years commencing May 15, 2018.

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Rocky View, moved that the motion be amended by striking out “a term of 5 years commencing May 15, 2018” and substituting “a term commencing on May 15, 2018, and expiring 12 months after polling day for the next provincial general election in Alberta”.

A debate followed on the amendment.

Debate adjourned on the amendment.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Government Motions

19. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be amended as follows:

Standing Order 56 is amended by striking out suborder (2.1) and substituting the following:

(2.1) A temporary substitution in the membership of a standing or special committee may be made upon written notification signed by the original Member and filed with the Clerk and Committee Chair, or through an email communication sent directly from the original Member to the Clerk and Committee Chair, provided such notice is given

- (a) on a business day, not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting for the substitution of the Chair or Deputy Chair, and
- (b) prior to the scheduled start of the meeting for the substitution of any other Member.

A debate followed.

Mr. Nixon, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the motion be amended, in the proposed amendment to Standing Order 56, by adding the following after suborder (2.1):

(2.2) Notification of a temporary substitution under suborder (2.1) for the Chair or Deputy Chair may designate an existing Member of the committee to act as Chair or Deputy Chair, as the case may be, and another Member as a temporary substitute.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, the motion was agreed to.

18. Moved by Hon. Mr. Mason:

Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be amended as follows:

Standing Order 7 is amended by striking out suborder (7) and substituting the following:

(7) The items in the ordinary daily routine will be deemed to be concluded at 3 p.m. and the Speaker shall notify the Assembly unless notice has been provided under suborder (8).

(8) The Government House Leader, or member of the Executive Council acting on the Government House Leader's behalf, may provide notice to the Assembly prior to 3 p.m. on that day that the daily routine shall continue beyond 3 p.m.

A debate followed.

Mr. Nixon, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the motion be amended, in the proposed amendment to Standing Order 7(8), by striking out "The Government House Leader, or member of the Executive Council acting on the Government House Leader's behalf," and substituting "Any Member".

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Sweet in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 13

Barnes	Fraser	Schneider
Clark	Hanson	Starke
Cyr	McIver	Taylor
Ellis	Nixon	van Dijken
Fildebrandt		

Against the amendment: 34

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Miranda
Carlier	Kleinstauber	Nielsen
Carson	Larivee	Payne
Ceci	Littlewood	Phillips
Coolahan	Loyola	Piquette
Cortes-Vargas	Luff	Schmidt
Dach	Malkinson	Schreiner
Drever	Mason	Sucha
Fitzpatrick	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Goehring	McKitrick	Westhead
Gray	Miller	Woollard
Hoffman		

Debate continued on the main motion.

Mr. McIver, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hays, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Sweet in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 35

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Kazim	Nielsen
Carlier	Kleinstauber	Payne
Carson	Larivee	Phillips
Ceci	Littlewood	Piquette
Coolahan	Loyola	Rosendahl
Dach	Luff	Schmidt
Drever	Malkinson	Schreiner
Fitzpatrick	Mason	Sucha
Goehring	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Gray	McKitrick	Westhead
Hoffman	Miller	Woollard
Horne	Miranda	

Against the motion: 12

Barnes	Fildebrandt	Schneider
Clark	Fraser	Starke
Cyr	McIver	Taylor
Ellis	Nixon	van Dijken

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time:

Bill 7 Supporting Alberta's Local Food Sector Act — Hon. Mr. Carlier

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Schneider, Hon. Member for Little Bow, on April 12, 2018, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 7, Supporting Alberta's Local Food Sector Act, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Mr. van Dijken moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 9 Protecting Choice for Women Accessing Health Care Act — Hon. Ms Hoffman

MLA Drever, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, on behalf of Hon. Ms Hoffman, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health, moved that the Bill be amended as follows:

A Section 6(4) is amended by adding the following after clause (b):

(b.1) increasing the dimensions of an access zone set out in subsection (2) in respect of a facility or a class of facilities to a distance not exceeding 150 metres from the boundaries of the parcel of land on which the facility is located;

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to. With Ms Sweet at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 37

Anderson (Leduc-Beaumont)	Horne	Miranda
Carlier	Kazim	Nielsen
Carson	Kleinstauber	Payne
Ceci	Larivee	Phillips
Clark	Littlewood	Piquette
Coolahan	Loyola	Rosendahl
Dach	Luff	Schmidt
Drever	Malkinson	Starke
Fitzpatrick	Mason	Sucha
Fraser	McCuaig-Boyd	Turner
Goehring	McKitrick	Westhead
Gray	Miller	Woollard
Hoffman		

Against the amendment: 1

Fildebrandt

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 9 Protecting Choice for Women Accessing Health Care Act — Hon. Ms Hoffman

Ms Luff, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 9 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow on behalf of the Hon. Deputy Premier, Minister of Health) — Agreed to on division

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The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate adjourned.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Mason, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:16 p.m. until Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at 9:00 a.m.

Hon. Robert E. Wanner,
Speaker