



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 2

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

First Session

Thirtieth Legislature

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Thursday, May 23, 2019

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 39(1)(a) to proceed immediately to consideration of Government Motion 8.

**Government Motions**

8. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly call upon the Senate of Canada to reject Bill C-48, which unjustly discriminates against Alberta and prevents the export of its energy through the north coast of British Columbia, and to reject Bill C-69 as originally drafted, unless it is comprehensively amended to ensure respect for Alberta's exclusive provincial jurisdiction over its non-renewable natural resources and to ensure greater certainty for investors in major resource development projects.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

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

For the motion: 80

Aheer	Horner	Reid
Allard	Hunter	Renaud
Amery	Irwin	Rosin
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Issik	Rowswell
Barnes	Jones	Rutherford
Bilous	Kenney	Sabir
Carson	LaGrange	Savage
Ceci	Loewen	Schow
Copping	Long	Schulz
Dach	Lovely	Schweitzer
Dang	Loyola	Shandro
Deol	Luan	Shepherd
Dreeshen	Madu	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eggen	McIver	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Ellis	Milliken	Singh
Feehan	Nally	Smith
Fir	Neudorf	Stephan
Ganley	Nicolaides	Sweet
Getson	Nielsen	Toews
Glasgo	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Toor
Glubish	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Turton
Goehring	Orr	van Dijken
Goodridge	Pancholi	Walker
Gotfried	Panda	Wilson
Gray	Phillips	Yao
Hanson	Pitt	Yaseen
Hoffman	Pon	

Against the motion: 0

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, that it be called 12:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 11:27 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

## **ROUTINE**

### **Speaker's Statement – Oral Question Period and Members' Statements Rotations**

Hon. Members, before we proceed with Members' Statements, I would like to outline the rotation that will apply for Oral Question Period and Members' Statements.

As noted in the procedural memo that I sent out to all Members yesterday, the Speaker's Office received a document on May 16, 2019, signed by the House Leaders, confirming their agreement on the rotation of oral questions and of Members' Statements.

With respect to Oral Question Period, the agreement is based on 18 questions each day and follows a four-day rotation. The Official Opposition is entitled to ask the first four main questions as well as the sixth, seventh, ninth, 10th, 12th, 13th, 16th, and 17th questions each day. Private Members of the Government caucus are entitled to ask the fifth, eighth, 11th, 14th, 15th, and 18th questions each day. Today will be day one of the four-day rotation.

I would like to remind Members that questions and responses should be no longer than 35 seconds in length and that preambles to supplementary questions are only allowed for the first four rounds of questions each day, as indicated in the House Leaders' Agreement.

With respect to Members' Statements, the rotation is based on a three-week schedule. According to Standing Order 7(4), each day up to six private Members may make a statement of no more than two minutes in duration.

Private Members of the Government caucus are entitled to four statements on each day of the three-week schedule except for each Tuesday, when they are entitled to three statements. The Official Opposition is entitled to two statements each day of the three-week schedule except for each Tuesday, when they are entitled to three statements. This is week one of the Members' Statements rotation.

I will table a copy of the House Leaders' Agreement at the appropriate time in the Daily Routine today.

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding the holy month of Ramadan.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding potential funding cuts to Government programs.

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding the 2019 National Junior A Hockey Championship held in Brooks.

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement regarding the Government fulfilling its commitments in the Speech from the Throne.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding the need to get Alberta's oil to market.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement thanking the constituents of Cypress-Medicine Hat for re-electing him.

### **Privilege – Premier's Press Conference Remarks**

Mr. Bilous, Official Opposition House Leader, gave oral notice of his intention to raise a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding remarks delivered at a press conference by Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations.

### **Notices of Motions**

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motions:

9. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize the right of Members to vote freely on all matters of conscience.
10. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly express its opposition to the practice of Members changing their caucus affiliation unless that Member is to sit as an independent or has resigned and been returned to the Assembly after being re-elected in a by-election under the new affiliation.

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations:

Letter dated May 17, 2019, from Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, Ms Notley, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, Stephen Mandel, Leader, Alberta Party, and David Khan, Leader, Alberta Liberal Party, to Hon. Peter Harder, PC, Senator, Government Representative in the Senate, Senate of Canada, expressing concern regarding Bill C-48 and Bill C-69 currently before the Senate of Canada

Sessional Paper 2/2019

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre:

Edmonton Journal website article dated May 23, 2019, entitled “Keith Gerein: As Alberta burns, UCP begins its mandate with a retreat on climate change”

Sessional Paper 3/2019

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning:

Letter dated May 22, 2019, from Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, to Marguerite Trussler, QC, Ethics Commissioner, Alberta, requesting an investigation regarding a potential violation by Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, concerning a fundraising letter sent from the United Conservative Party soliciting contributions to cover an outstanding campaign debt

Sessional Paper 4/2019

Canada.com website article dated March 3, 2011, entitled “Jason Kenney apologizes, staffer quits over fundraising letter”

Sessional Paper 5/2019

ProQuest reprint of an Edmonton Journal article dated March 10, 2012, entitled “Mar in red ink and hot water; Fundraiser to pay off leadership campaign debt raises ethical concerns”

Sessional Paper 6/2019

Email message dated May 13, 2019, from Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre, with the recipient’s name struck out, regarding two announcements made in Grande Prairie by Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations

Sessional Paper 7/2019

Form letter dated May 2, 2019, from Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, unaddressed, regarding the 2019 election campaign and requesting financial support

Sessional Paper 8/2019

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Letter dated April 23, 2019, from Glen Resler, Chief Electoral Officer, to Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, providing a report of late filing of nomination contestant returns, pursuant to section 43.01 of the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act

Sessional Paper 9/2019

Memorandum dated May 16, 2019, from Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, to Hon. Mr. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, providing a signed House Leaders’ Agreement regarding Oral Question Period and Members’ Statements rotations for the spring 2019 sitting

Sessional Paper 10/2019

## **Privilege – Premier’s Press Conference Remarks**

Mr. Bilous, Official Opposition House Leader, raised a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding remarks delivered at a press conference by Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations.

The Speaker heard from Hon. Mr. Nixon and advised that he would defer his ruling to a later date.

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Motions**

**2.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that

A. Select Standing Committees for the present Legislature be appointed for the following purposes:

- (1) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing,
- (2) Public Accounts,
- (3) Private Bills,
- (4) Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, and
- (5) Legislative Offices

and, in addition thereto, there be appointed for the present Legislature a Special Standing Committee on Members’ Services;

B. Legislative Policy Committees for the present Legislature be appointed for the following purposes:

- (1) Standing Committee on Families and Communities,
- (2) Standing Committee on Alberta’s Economic Future, and
- (3) Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**3.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

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)

Gotfried (Chair)	Eggen	Irwin
Orr (Deputy Chair)	Getson	Jones
Allard	Glasgo	Nielsen

**Standing Committee on Legislative Offices** (11 Members)

Ellis (Chair)	Lovely	Shepherd
Schow (Deputy Chair)	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Goodridge	Rutherford	Sweet
Gray	Schmidt	

**Standing Committee on Private Bills** (15 Members)

Ellis (Chair)	Neudorf	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Schow (Deputy Chair)	Nielsen	Vacant
Gotfried	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Vacant
Horner	Pancholi	Vacant
Irwin	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)	Vacant

**Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing** (15 Members)

Smith (Chair)	Horner	Rehn
Schow (Deputy Chair)	Issik	Reid
Carson	Jones	Renaud
Deol	Loyola	Turton
Ganley	Neudorf	Yao

**Standing Committee on Public Accounts** (15 Members)

Phillips (Chair)	Feehan	Rowswell
Gotfried (Deputy Chair)	Guthrie	Stephan
Amery	Hoffman	Toor
Barnes	Renaud	Turton
Dach	Rosin	Walker

**Special Standing Committee on Members' Services** (11 Members)

Cooper (Chair)	Deol	Long
Ellis (Deputy Chair)	Goehring	Sweet
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Goodridge	Williams
Dang	Gotfried	

**Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future (15 Members)**

van Dijken (Chair)	Dach	Jones
Goehring (Deputy Chair)	Dang	Reid
Allard	Gray	Rowswell
Barnes	Horner	Stephan
Bilous	Issik	Toor

**Standing Committee on Families and Communities (15 Members)**

Goodridge (Chair)	Glasgo	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)
Sigurdson (Deputy Chair) (Edmonton-Riverview)	Guthrie	Pancholi
Amery	Irwin	Rutherford
Carson	Long	Walker
Ganley	Neudorf	Yao

**Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship (15 Members)**

Hanson (Chair)	Loyola	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Ceci (Deputy Chair)	Rehn	Singh
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Rosin	Smith
Feehan	Sabir	Turton
Getson	Schmidt	Yaseen

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**4. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:**

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

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**5. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:**

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

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.



7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), commencing May 27, 2019, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business for the duration of the First Session of the 30th Legislature 2019 Spring Sitting 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.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

6. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that, notwithstanding Standing Order 8(1), the Assembly shall meet in the afternoon on Monday, May 27, 2019, for consideration of Government business.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. McIver, Deputy Government House Leader, moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 1 An Act to Repeal the Carbon Tax (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews on behalf of Hon. Mr. Kenney

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, that it be called 4:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 4:09 p.m. until Monday, May 27, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,  
Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 23, 2019