

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 48

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

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

Government Motions

39. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2019 Fall Sitting of the Assembly shall stand adjourned upon the Government House Leader advising the Assembly that the business for the sitting is concluded.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

40. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that:

- 1. The 2018-2019 Annual Report of the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate be referred to the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices for review;
- 2. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;

3. In accordance with section 21(4) of the Child and Youth Advocate Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 90 days of the report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 25 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2019 — Hon. Mr. Hunter

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 20 Fiscal Measures and Taxation Act, 2019 (\$) - Hon. Mr. Toews

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:56 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2019 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mrs. Aheer, Minister of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women, made a statement regarding female genital mutilation.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Horner, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding recent comments made by the Official Opposition.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding the Election Commissioner's investigation relating to the United Conservative Party leadership race.

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding AgSafe Alberta Society.

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding investing in renewable energy.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding national unity on Alberta's energy sector.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding the Government's oil curtailment program.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding Albertans' freedom of choice.

MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the Family and Community Support Services program.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding women working in the oil sector.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 29 Municipal Government (Machinery and Equipment Tax Incentives) Amendment Act, 2019 — Hon. Mr. Madu

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Ellis, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s19(5):

Office of the Auditor General of Alberta, Results Report for the Year Ended March 31, 2019

Sessional Paper 453/2019

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud:

nedhardy.com website article dated June 17, 2019, entitled "Doctor Asks Terminally Ill Kids What Really Matters in Life – Here Are Their Answers" Sessional Paper 454/2019

Mr. Neudorf, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

Copy of a petition from over 4,800 Albertans urging the Government to immediately terminate support and operation of the Supervised Drug Consumption Facility (SDCF) located at or about 1016-1 Ave S in Lethbridge, Alberta

Sessional Paper 455/2019

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

Document, undated, entitled "Ministry of Health - Biosimilar Policy - Non Disclosure Agreement"

Sessional Paper 456/2019

Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

Calgary Herald website article dated November 25, 2019, entitled "NDP questions contract given to Calgary videography firm with ties to UCP"

Sessional Paper 457/2019

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Bulletin of Science, Technology & Society website article dated November 20, 2019, entitled "Scientists Reach 100% Consensus on Anthropogenic Global Warming"

Sessional Paper 458/2019

Mr. Bilous, Official Opposition House Leader:

Recent email message from Wendy Germaniuk to Mr. Bilous, Official Opposition House Leader, expressing opposition to the Government's proposal to remove Alberta from the Canada Pension Plan

Sessional Paper 459/2019

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

41. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize and support the ability of Albertans to lawfully and in a responsible manner own and possess firearms and to engage in permitted activities involving the use of firearms including, but not limited to, hunting and sport shooting.

A debate followed.

Mr. Bilous, Official Opposition House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of the afternoon.

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

For the motion: 38

Aheer	Loewen	Sawhney
Allard	Lovely	Schow
Amery	Loyola	Schulz
Barnes	Luan	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Bilous	McIver	Singh
Ceci	Neudorf	Smith
Dach	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Stephan
Dreeshen	Orr	Toews
Getson	Phillips	Turton
Glasgo	Rehn	Walker
Glubish	Rosin	Wilson
Gray	Rutherford	Yao
Horner	Savage	

Against the motion: 0

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 21 Ensuring Fiscal Sustainability Act, 2019 (\$) - Hon. Mr. Toews

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4:

- (a) by striking out subsections (2), (3), (5), (6) and (9), and
- (b) in subsection (7) by striking out clauses (a), (b), (d) and (e).

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 10

Bilous	Irwin	Phillips
Ceci	Loyola	Renaud
Dach	Pancholi	Sabir
Gray		

Against the amendment: 28

Allard	Luan	Schulz
Amery	Neudorf	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Barnes	Orr	Singh
Dreeshen	Rehn	Smith
Getson	Rosin	Stephan
Glasgo	Rutherford	Turton
Glubish	Savage	Walker
Guthrie	Sawhney	Wilson
Horner	Schow	Yao
Lovely		

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 26 Farm Freedom and Safety Act, 2019 - Hon. Mr. Dreeshen

The question was put that Bill 26, Farm Freedom and Safety Act, 2019, be reported. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 29

Aheer	Lovely	Schulz
Allard	Luan	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Amery	Neudorf	Singh
Barnes	Orr	Smith
Dreeshen	Rehn	Stephan
Getson	Rosin	Turton
Glubish	Rutherford	Walker
Guthrie	Savage	Wilson
Horner	Sawhney	Yao
Jones	Schow	
Against the motion: 9		
Bilous	Gray	Pancholi
Ceci	Irwin	Phillips
Dach	Loyola	Sabir
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The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 28 Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act - Hon. Mr. Shandro

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, on behalf of Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, moved that the Bill be amended as follows:

(a) section 1(1) is amended by adding the following after clause (g):

(g.1) "Minister" means the Minister determined under section 16 of the Government Organization Act as the Minister responsible for this Act;

(b) the following is added after section 14:

Review by committee of the Assembly

14.1(1) A special committee of the Legislative Assembly must, within 6 months after the day on which this Act comes into force and in accordance with subsection (3), begin a review of the matters set out in subsection (2).

(2) The special committee must consider each of the following for the purpose of the review under subsection (1):

(a) whether the expenditure of monies recovered by the Crown in an action brought under section 2(1) should be restricted to specified purposes,

b) if the special committee determines that expenditures should be restricted, specifying the purposes for which expenditures should be permitted,

(c) whether a separate fund should be established into which the money referred to in clause (a) must be deposited, and

(d) any other matter that the special committee considers necessary and relevant to the matters set out in clauses (a) to (c).

(3) Subject to subsection (4), the special committee must, within 6 months of the day on which the special committee commenced its review in accordance with subsection (1), submit a report to the Legislative Assembly that sets out its recommendations in respect of the matters considered under subsection (2).

(4) If the Legislative Assembly is not sitting at the time of the completion of the special committee's report under subsection (3), the special committee must submit the report referred to in that subsection within 15 days after the day on which the Legislative Assembly commences its next sitting.

(5) Subject to subsection (6), the Minister must, within 30 days of the submission of the special committee's report under subsection (3) or (4), as the case may be, submit a report to the Legislative Assembly that specifies the recommendations set out in the special committee's report of which the Minister approves.



(6) If the Legislative Assembly is not sitting at the time of the completion of the Minister's report under subsection (5), the Minister must submit the report referred to in that subsection within 15 days after the day on which the Legislative Assembly commences its next sitting.

(7) The Minister must, on a quarterly calendar basis that commences on the day on which the Minister provided their report under subsection (5) or (6), as the case may be, provide a report to the Legislative Assembly in respect of all approved recommendations that have not been implemented.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 9

Bilous	Gray	Pancholi
Ceci	Irwin	Phillips
Dach	Loyola	Sabir

Against the amendment: 26

Allard	Neudorf	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Amery	Orr	Singh
Getson	Rehn	Smith
Glubish	Rosin	Stephan
Guthrie	Rutherford	Turton
Horner	Savage	Walker
Jones	Sawhney	Wilson
Lovely	Schow	Yao
Luan	Schulz	

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 26 Farm Freedom and Safety Act, 2019 - Hon. Mr. Dreeshen

Bill 28 Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act - Hon. Mr. Shandro

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 21 Ensuring Fiscal Sustainability Act, 2019 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Mr. Orr, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 21 (A2) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud on November 20, 2019) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 408/2019

Amendment to Bill 21 (A4) (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 460/2019

Amendment to Bill 28 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 461/2018

Pursuant to Government Motion 31 agreed to on October 17, 2019, Hon. Mrs. Savage, Deputy Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that there would be no evening sitting today.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Savage, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:53 p.m. until Thursday, November 28, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, November 27, 2019