



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 13

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

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

Hon. Mrs. Savage, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow Members to sit, speak, and vote from any seat in the Chamber.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 10 Public Health (Emergency Powers) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon.
Mr. Shandro

A debate followed.

Mr. Schow moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 12 Liabilities Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon.
Mrs. Savage

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Ceci speaking.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2.1), the Assembly adjourned at 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2020 — 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

Mr. Amery, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, made a statement regarding religious observances and connectedness during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding the temporary layoffs in the education system during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the seriousness of the COVID-19 pandemic and its related public health measures.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding employees in the education system.

Mr. Stephan, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding the economic and personal recoveries required once the COVID-19 pandemic passes.

Ms Gray, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the difficulty in accessing the Emergency Isolation Support program.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding Government actions to prioritize health and financial relief for Albertans during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding the cancellation of the Teaching Tots preschool program at Dickensfield Amity House.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding Government action to support Alberta businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Memo dated April 1, 2020, from Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, to Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, providing notice pursuant to Government Motion 10, agreed to as amended on March 17, 2020, that the Assembly will sit beyond the normal adjournment hour on Thursday, April 2, 2020

Sessional Paper 97/2020

Memo dated March 27, 2020, from Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, to Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, providing notice pursuant to Government Motion 10, agreed to as amended on March 17, 2020, that the public interest requires the Assembly to reconvene at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Sessional Paper 98/2020

Memo dated March 27, 2020, from Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, to Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting an early Order Paper, pursuant to Standing Order 39(4), to be distributed on Monday, March 30, 2020

Sessional Paper 99/2020

Memo dated March 23, 2020, from Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, to Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, advising pursuant to Government Motion 10, agreed to as amended on March 17, 2020, that the public interest requires the Assembly to remain adjourned

Sessional Paper 100/2020

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. McIver, Minister of Transportation:

Responses to questions raised by MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, on March 5, 2020, Ministry of Transportation, 2020-21 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 101/2020

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 12 Liabilities Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon.
Mrs. Savage

A debate followed.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, on behalf of Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 12, Liabilities Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.
Sessional Paper 102/2020

A debate followed on the amendment.

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, 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 sitting.

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

For the amendment: 6

Gray	Irwin	Renaud
Hoffman	Loyola	Sabir

Against the amendment: 20

Aheer	Lovely	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Amery	Madu	Singh
Barnes	Nally	Smith
Ellis	Neudorf	Stephan
Glasgo	Rosin	Walker
Hanson	Rowswell	Wilson
Horner	Sawhney	

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 10 Public Health (Emergency Powers) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon.
Mr. Shandro

Bill 12 Liabilities Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon.
Mrs. Savage

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 10 Public Health (Emergency Powers) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon.
Mr. Shandro

Bill 12 Liabilities Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon.
Mrs. Savage

Mr. Hanson, 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 12 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 103/2020

Amendment to Bill 10 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre) —
Adjourned

Sessional Paper 104/2020

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, the Assembly adjourned at 5:56 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Government Motions

17. Oral notice having been given March 31, 2020, moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that, despite any Standing Order and immediately on the passage of this motion, the Assembly is to debate the urgent public matter of the COVID-19 pandemic in the following manner:

- (a) the Premier may make the first statement not exceeding 45 minutes;
- (b) immediately following the Premier's statement, the Leader of the Official Opposition may make a statement not exceeding 30 minutes;
- (c) immediately following the Leader of the Official Opposition's statement and for a period not exceeding 30 minutes
 - (i) the Leader of the Official Opposition may ask questions on matters relevant to the Premier's statement, and
 - (ii) the Premier may respond to those questions;
- (d) any other member of the Executive Council may make a statement not exceeding 10 minutes;
- (e) immediately following each statement made by a member of the Executive Council and for a period not exceeding 15 minutes
 - (i) Members who are not a member of the Executive Council may ask questions on matters relevant to the statement, and
 - (ii) the member of the Executive Council who made the statement may respond to those questions;
- (f) a Member who asks a question or a member of the Executive Council who responds in accordance with clause (c) or (e) is limited to a period of 5 minutes at one time to ask that question or make a response;
- (g) immediately after all statements and related periods for questions and responses have concluded, the debate is considered to have been concluded by the Assembly without decision.

A debate followed.

Ms Gray, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, moved that the motion be amended as follows:

- (a) in clause (a) by striking out "45 minutes" and substituting "30 minutes";
- (b) in clause (b) by striking out "30 minutes" and substituting "15 minutes";
- (c) in clause (c)(i) by adding "or the Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic" immediately after "on matters relevant to the Premier's statement";

- (d) in clause (e)(i) by adding “or the Government’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic” immediately after “on matters relevant to the statement”;
- (e) in clause (f) by striking out “5 minutes” and substituting “2 minutes”.

Sessional Paper 105/2020

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

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

A debate followed pursuant to Government Motion 17, agreed to as amended on April 1, 2020.

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow a maximum of two additional minutes for Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, to respond to a question from Ms Notley, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition.

Debate concluded pursuant to Government Motion 17, agreed to as amended on April 1, 2020.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 1:00 a.m. Thursday, April 2, 2020, until 9:00 a.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker