

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 22

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, May 28, 2020

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

Government Motions

- **21.** Oral notice having been given May 27, 2020, moved by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:
 - A. Be it resolved that, despite Standing Orders 13(7), 16 and 32(4)(b), for the duration of the Spring Sitting of the Second Session of the 30th Legislature, and to allow for appropriate physical distancing within the Chamber during that time, all Members may sit, speak and vote in any seat that has not been assigned to them provided that they immediately relinquish that seat on the request of
 - (a) the Member who has been assigned that seat, or
 - (b) the Speaker.
 - B. And be it further resolved that this motion take effect immediately upon passage.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Conflict of Interest

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, declared a potential conflict of interest regarding Bill 2, Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Amendment Act, 2020, and absented himself from consideration and vote on the motion for Second Reading.

Second Reading

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

Bill 2 Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Hunter

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

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

Bill 4 Fiscal Planning and Transparency (Fixed Budget Period) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Hunter on behalf of Hon. Mr. Toews

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

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

Bill 7 Responsible Energy Development Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer on behalf of Hon. Mrs. Savage

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

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 Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 1 Critical Infrastructure Defence Act — Hon. Mr. Kenney

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 1 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 151/2020

Amendment to Bill 1 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 152/2020

Amendment to Bill 1 (A3) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 153/2020

Third Reading

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

Bill 1 Critical Infrastructure Defence Act — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer on behalf of Hon. Mr. Kenney

A debate followed.

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: 30

Aheer	Loewen	Rowswell
Amery	Lovely	Rutherford
Barnes	Luan	Sawhney
Dreeshen	Milliken	Schulz
Ellis	Neudorf	Schweitzer
Glasgo	Orr	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Hanson	Pitt	Singh
Horner	Rehn	Smith
Issik	Reid	Wilson
Kenney	Rosin	Yaseen
Against the motion: 6		

Ceci	Irwin	Pancholi
Ganley	Nielsen	Schmidt

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 1 Critical Infrastructure Defence Act — Hon. Mr. Kenney

Second Reading

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

Bill 4 Fiscal Planning and Transparency (Fixed Budget Period) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Toews

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Sabir speaking.

Adjournment

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

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2020 — 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement regarding Government policy concerning arts funding.

Mr. Schow, Hon. Member for Cardston-Siksika, made a statement regarding the conduct of the Official Opposition.

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding National Paramedic Service Week and HALO Air Ambulance.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding Asian Heritage Month and xenophobia in Alberta.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley, made a statement regarding the challenges faced by Alberta beekeepers this year.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding conversion therapy.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding flooding in Paradise Valley.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the Government's plans for reopening Alberta in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding the graduating class of 2020.

Privilege – Media Briefing on Bill 15, Choice in Education Act, 2020

Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, gave oral notice of her intention to raise a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding the Government's decision to provide a media briefing on Bill 15, Choice in Education Act, 2020, without providing a similar briefing to Members of the Opposition.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

- Bill 15 Choice in Education Act, 2020 Hon. Min. LaGrange
- Bill 16 Victims of Crime (Strengthening Public Safety) Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader:

Letter dated May 28, 2020, from Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, to Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, requesting that all communications between them be done in writing

Sessional Paper 154/2020

Privilege – Media Briefing on Bill 15, Choice in Education Act, 2020

Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, raised a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding the Government's decision to provide a media briefing on Bill 15, Choice in Education Act, 2020, without providing a similar briefing to Members of the Opposition.

The Speaker heard from Ms Sweet and Hon. Mr. Nixon.

The Speaker advised that he would take the matter under advisement and rule on Monday, June 1, 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 7 Responsible Energy Development Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mrs. Savage
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A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Ms Gray speaking.

Adjournment

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Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, June 1, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 28, 2020