



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Tuesday, June 9, 2020

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Shandro, Minister of Health, made a statement regarding Alberta's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the relationship between Alberta and the federal government.

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement regarding environmental monitoring during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding programs that help young Albertans learn practical job skills.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding the Black Lives Matter movement and the Government's inaction on anti-racism policies and initiatives.

Ms Rosin, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, made a statement regarding economic relaunch during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the future of Calgary's Green Line LRT project.

Mr. Rehn, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding highway maintenance in the Lesser Slave Lake constituency.

Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement recognizing the work of veterinary medical professionals during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Guthrie, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Cochrane, made a statement regarding security risks related to the federal government's telecommunications policies.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, on behalf of Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Letter dated June 6, 2020, from Casey and Tom Jay to Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, and Hon. Min. LaGrange, Minister of Education, regarding the effects of education funding cuts on them and requesting that Government MLAs not attend their upcoming school graduation ceremony, relating to comments made by Ms Hoffman during Oral Question Period on June 9, 2020

Sessional Paper 169/2020

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, on behalf of Ms Hoffinan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Twitter post dated January 1, 2015, from Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, regarding political party contributions becoming voluntary

Sessional Paper 170/2020

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek:

4 recent letters to Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, expressing support for Bill 201, Strategic Aviation Advisory Council Act

Sessional Paper 171/2020

Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

Twitter post dated May 22, 2016, from Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, regarding taxpayer funding of political parties

Sessional Paper 172/2020

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 17 Mental Health Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 16 Victims of Crime (Strengthening Public Safety) Amendment Act, 2020 —
Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

A debate followed.

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 16, Victims of Crime (Strengthening Public Safety) Amendment Act, 2020,
be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that additional
consultation with organizations providing support to victims of crime is required.
Sessional Paper 173/2020

A debate followed on the amendment.

Debate adjourned on the amendment.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Motions

20. Oral notice having been given May 8, 2020, moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) recognize that the criminal use of firearms primarily involves unlicensed individuals, often using illegally smuggled firearms;

- (b) express its opposition to the Government of Canada's recent decision to amend regulations to the Criminal Code to prohibit the possession, transportation and sale of certain types of legally-acquired firearms by licensed, law-abiding citizens; and
- (c) urge the Government of Alberta to take all necessary steps to assert provincial jurisdiction in connection with these matters, including replacing the Chief Firearms Officer having jurisdiction for Alberta as designated by the federal Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness with a chief firearms officer for Alberta designated by the Government of Alberta in accordance with the Firearms Act (Canada).

A debate followed.

Mr. Hanson 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 15 Choice in Education Act, 2020 — Hon. Min. LaGrange

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, on June 3, 2020, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 15, Choice in Education Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the engagement document entitled “Choice in Education” provided by the Government during its media release in respect of Bill 15 does not support the content of the proposed legislation.

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The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 15 Choice in Education Act, 2020 — Hon. Min. LaGrange

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2), Hon. Mr. McIver, Deputy Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that there would be no morning sitting on June 10 or 11, 2020.

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)

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

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

Mr. Hanson, 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 2 (A1) (Hon. Minister of Transportation on behalf of the Hon. Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 174/2020

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. McIver, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:53 p.m. until Wednesday, June 10, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker