

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 32

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday, made a statement regarding education funding.

Ms Goodridge, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche, made a statement recognizing Public Service Week.

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding the MakeWay organization.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding rural health care.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the Government's school re-entry plan.

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding education funding.

Mr. Neudorf, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the positive effects of reducing red tape on free enterprise in Alberta.

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding recent federal firearms policies.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the need to support small businesses in Alberta.

Notices of Motions

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

- 24. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly
 - a) condemns racism and all forms of bigotry and hatred;
 - b) affirms the commitment of Alberta to human dignity and equality of all before the law;
 - c) acknowledges the pernicious and durable nature of anti-Black racism;
 - d) acknowledges a tragic history of racism directed at Indigenous people in Canada; and
 - e) urges the Government to consider these issues in its ongoing review of the Police Act.

Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately establish an advisory panel

- (a) to conduct hearings throughout the Province to examine, and make recommendations in respect of, systemic racism in Alberta;
- (b) that consists of members of the Anti-Racism Advisory Council, provincial Indigenous leadership, and Black Lives Matter chapters of Alberta;
- (c) to publish a report with its findings and recommendations no later than October 1, 2020.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Oral notice having been given June 15, 2020:

Bill 23 Commercial Tenancies Protection Act — Hon. Ms Fir

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Schweitzer, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General:

Document dated June 16, 2020, entitled "Proposed Questions for Review by a Standing or Special Committee," prepared by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General

Sessional Paper 192/2020

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Twitter post dated May 13, 2019, from Hon. Mr. Kenney, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, regarding taxpayer funding for political parties

Sessional Paper 193/2020

Motions Under Standing Order 42

Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

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- (c) to publish a report with its findings and recommendations no later than October 1, 2020.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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.

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: 42

Aheer	Long	Rutherford
Allard	Lovely	Sawhney
Amery	Luan	Schow
Dreeshen	Madu	Shandro
Ellis	McIver	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Glasgo	Milliken	Singh
Glubish	Nally	Smith
Guthrie	Neudorf	Stephan
Hanson	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Toews
Horner	Orr	Toor
Hunter	Pitt	Walker
Issik	Rehn	Williams
Kenney	Rosin	Wilson
LaGrange	Rowswell	Yao
Against the motion: 7		
Ceci	Irwin	Pancholi

Loyola

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

Ganley

Hoffman

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

Shepherd

(Assembly in Committee)

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(4), the Committee recessed at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

- Bill 7 Responsible Energy Development Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mrs. Savage
- Bill 17 Mental Health Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Shandro

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 17, 18, 23, 24, or 25, 2020.

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 18 Corrections (Alberta Parole Board) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4 in the proposed section 27.2

- (a) in subsection (1) by adding "Subject to subsection (1.1)," before "The Parole Board comprises", and
- (b) by adding the following immediately after subsection (1):
 - (1.1) The Parole Board must
 - (a) consist of at least 5 members but no more than 9 members, and
 - (b) be comprised of at least

(i) one member who is representative of the Indigenous community of Alberta, and

(ii) one member who is representative of other minority communities disproportionately represented in admissions to correctional institutions.

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

For the amendment: 9

Ceci	Eggen	Loyola
Dach	Feehan	Nielsen
Deol	Ganley	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

Against the amendment: 25

Armstrong-Homeniuk	Loewen	Rowswell
Copping	Long	Shandro
Ellis	McIver	Toews
Getson	Neudorf	Turton
Glasgo	Nicolaides	van Dijken
Goodridge	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Walker
Gotfried	Pon	Yao
Issik	Reid	Yaseen
LaGrange		

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

The following Bills were reported:

- Bill 18 Corrections (Alberta Parole Board) Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Schweitzer
- Bill 19 Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Shandro

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

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

Mr. Yao, 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 18 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 194/2020

Amendment to Bill 18 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo on behalf of the Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 195/2020

Amendment to Bill 19 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre) — Defeated Sessional Paper 196/2020

Amendment to Bill 16 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 197/2020

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. McIver, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:33 p.m. until Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, June 16, 2020