



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 36

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

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

Members' Statements

Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, made a statement regarding actions of the Associate Minister of Mental Health and supervised consumption services in Alberta.

Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding the recent and devastating Calgary hailstorm.

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding the cancellation of the Calgary Stampede during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding COVID-19 outbreaks in meat processing plants.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley, made a statement regarding the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the tourism industry.

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the orphan well cleanup program.

Mr. Milliken, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding the importance of investment in Alberta's energy sector.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding Alberta's strength and resiliency during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding Tenille Townes and her Big Hearts for Big Kids fundraiser.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bills:

Bill 28 Vital Statistics (Protecting Albertans from Convicted Sex Offenders) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Glubish

Bill 29 Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Madu

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Oral notice having been given June 22, 2020:

Bill 26 Constitutional Referendum Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

Bill 27 Alberta Senate Election Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Glubish, Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Vital Statistics Act, cV-4.1, s64:

Alberta Vital Statistics 2017 Annual Review

Sessional Paper 217/2020

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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26. Oral notice having been given June 22, 2020, moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly grant leave, pursuant to Standing Order 57(1)(b), to the Select Special Public Health Act Review Committee to meet during the hours the Assembly is sitting.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

27. Oral notice having been given June 22, 2020, moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly grant leave, pursuant to Standing Order 57(1)(b), to the Select Special Democratic Accountability Committee to meet during the hours the Assembly is sitting.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 24 COVID-19 Pandemic Response Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

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.

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

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

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

Mr. Getson, 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 15 (A4) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud on June 22, 2020) — Defeated

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Amendment to Bill 15 (A5) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 218/2020

Amendment to Bill 15 (A6) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 219/2020

Amendment to Bill 16 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 220/2020

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Savage, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:55 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2020 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 22 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Hunter

A debate followed.

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

Government Motions

24. Oral notice having been given June 16, 2020, moved by Hon. Mr. Kenney:

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.

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows, on June 18, 2020, that the motion be amended by striking out clause (e) and substituting the following:

- (e) urges the Government to ensure that these issues, and the voices of racialized communities, are considered in its ongoing review of the Police Act by immediately establishing an advisory panel
 - (i) to conduct hearings throughout the Province to examine, and make recommendations in respect of, systemic racism in Alberta,
 - (ii) that consists of members of the Anti-Racism Advisory Council, provincial Indigenous leadership, and Black Lives Matter chapters of Alberta, and

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

Sessional Paper 208/2020

Mr. Shepherd moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was defeated.

Hon. Mr. McIver requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 28 in order to allow a second motion to adjourn debate to be moved.

Hon. Mr. McIver then moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 23 Commercial Tenancies Protection Act — Hon. Ms Fir

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

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 17 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning) — Adjourned
Sessional Paper 221/2020

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. McIver, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:39 p.m. until Wednesday, June 24, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker