



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, June 24, 2020

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

Members' Statements

Ms Goodridge, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche, made a statement regarding Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day (remarks made in French).

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding Bill 16, Victims of Crime (Strengthening Public Safety) Amendment Act, 2020.

Mr. Schow, Hon. Member for Cardston-Siksika, made a statement regarding the tragic deaths of four youth in the Cardston-Siksika constituency.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding risks associated with Government funding for the Keystone XL pipeline project.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on small business in the Vermilion-Lloydminster constituency.

Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding Government funding for the Sage Seniors Association.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the need for a fair deal between Alberta and the Canadian Confederation.

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday, made a statement regarding Government funding for public transit projects in Calgary and Edmonton.

Mr. Guthrie, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Cochrane, made a statement regarding the need to support Canadian Forces veterans who were negatively affected by the drug mefloquine.

Notices of Motions

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

- 28.** Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly
- a) condemn the actions of public sector unions who are blocking a proposed wage top-up for healthcare aides in continuing care facilities, and
 - b) express its gratitude to the hard working healthcare aides who are helping to keep Alberta's most vulnerable people safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Oral notice having been given June 23, 2020:

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

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River:

Copy of a speech dated June 23, 1858, entitled "The Separate School Question," relating to comments made by Mr. Williams during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 15, Choice in Education Act, 2020

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

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

Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the Bill be amended in section 11 in the proposed section 9.01(1) by striking out “that a formal patient is provided with a written, individualized treatment plan” and substituting “that a formal patient is provided with a written, individualized treatment plan and that the formal patient, or a person referred to in section 28(1) who is acting on behalf of the formal patient, is informed of their right to object to any treatment set out in the treatment plan.”

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

For the amendment: 8

Deol	Phillips	Schmidt
Irwin	Renaud	Sweet
Loyola	Sabir	

Against the amendment: 27

Amery	Long	Schow
Barnes	Luan	Schulz
Getson	Nally	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Glasgo	Orr	Smith
Glubish	Rehn	Stephan
Guthrie	Reid	Turton
Hanson	Rosin	Walker
Horner	Rutherford	Yao
Loewen	Sawhney	Yaseen

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

The following Bill was reported:

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

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

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

Mr. Smith, 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 (A7) (Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora) — Adjourned
Sessional Paper 223/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A2) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader on June 23, 2020) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 221/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A3) (Hon. Member for St. Albert on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 224/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A4) (Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 225/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A5) (Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 226/2020

Third Reading

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

Bill 7 Responsible Energy Development Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mrs. Savage

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

Adjournment

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2020 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

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

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, moved that the Bill be amended as follows:

(a) by striking out section 8 and substituting the following:

8 Section 25 is amended as follows:

- (a) subsection (1) is amended by striking “The Minister may issue a charter” and substituting “Subject to subsection (4), the Minister may issue a charter”;
- (b) by repealing subsection (1)(a) and substituting the following:
 - (a) focuses on
 - (i) a learning style, a teaching style, approach or philosophy or pedagogy that is not already being offered by a board of a public or separate school division or Francophone regional authority operating within the geographic area in which the charter school will be located, or
 - (ii) vocation-based education,
- (c) by striking out subsection (2)(b) and substituting the following:
 - (b) subject to subsection (4), renew the term of a charter, or
- (d) by adding the following immediately after subsection (3):
 - (4) The Minister shall not issue or renew a charter under this section unless the charter contains a term requiring the charter school to implement a policy of non-discrimination with respect to the enrollment of students with physical or mental disabilities.

(b) by striking out section 10 and substituting the following:

10 The following is added before section 29:

Recognition of private schools

28.1(1) Private schools are recognized as being important in providing parents and students with choice in education, and a person responsible for the operation of a private school shall ensure

- (a) students enrolled in the private school are provided with an education program consistent with the requirements set out in the Act and the regulations, and
- (b) the private school implements a policy of non-discrimination with respect to the enrollment of students with physical or mental disabilities.

(2) A private school must not be registered or accredited by the Minister as a private school unless it implements a policy referred to in subsection (1)(b).

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

For the amendment: 6

Bilous	Dang	Feehan
Carson	Eggen	Renaud

Against the amendment: 21

Allard	Horner	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	LaGrange	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Copping	Loewen	Singh
Ellis	Nicolaides	Smith
Getson	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Toor
Glubish	Panda	van Dijken
Goodridge	Pon	Williams

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

The following Bills were reported:

- Bill 15 Choice in Education Act, 2020 — Hon. Min. LaGrange
- Bill 16 Victims of Crime (Strengthening Public Safety) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer
- Bill 17 Mental Health Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

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Amendment to Bill 15 (A8) (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 227/2020

Amendment to Bill 15 (A9) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 228/2020

Amendment to Bill 16 (A2) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View on June 23, 2020) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 220/2020

Amendment to Bill 16 (A3) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-South on behalf of the Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 229/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A5) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader on June 24, 2020)
— Defeated

Sessional Paper 226/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A6) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 230/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A7) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 231/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A8) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 232/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A9) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 233/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A10) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 234/2020

Amendment to Bill 17 (A11) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday on behalf of the Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 235/2020

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of the evening.

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

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

Second Reading

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

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

Third Reading

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

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

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: 25

Allard	Lovely	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Nicolaides	Singh
Copping	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Smith
Ellis	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Toor
Getson	Panda	Turton
Glubish	Pon	van Dijken
Goodridge	Reid	Williams
Horner	Rowswell	Yao
LaGrange		

Against the motion: 8

Bilous	Dang	Renaud
Carson	Eggen	Shepherd
Dach	Goehring	

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

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

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:45 p.m. until Thursday, June 25, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker