

No. 39

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Monday, July 6, 2020

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

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Calgary-Klein, made a statement regarding the Government's economic recovery plan.

Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the need for an effective Government plan for jobs in Alberta.

Mr. Reid, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Alberta Weekly Newspapers Association.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the Government's economic recovery plan and child care.

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding Daxton Bennett, a West Yellowhead constituent battling cancer.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding the recent and devasting Calgary hailstorm.

Ms Issik, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement regarding mandatory reporting of medically unfit drivers.

Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows, made a statement regarding the Premier's speechwriter.

Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding hair salons addressing domestic abuse.

## **Presenting Petitions**

Ms Issik, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, presented a petition from 3,203 Albertans urging the Government to introduce legislation to require mandatory reporting by physicians of medically unfit drivers.

### **Notices of Motions**

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

- Bill 32 Restoring Balance in Alberta's Workplaces Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Copping
- Bill 33 Alberta Investment Attraction Act Hon. Ms Fir
- Bill 34 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 Hon. Mr. Nixon

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

- **29.** Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly
  - a) affirm its loyalty to a united Canadian federation, and
  - b) urge the Government to obtain a fair deal for Alberta within the Canadian federation.

Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) affirm its commitment to a strong and united Canada that is indivisible,
- (b) acknowledge that
  - (i) it is unquestionably in Alberta's interest to remain a part of the Canadian federation, and
  - (ii) there could be detrimental economic and fiscal impacts to Alberta and Albertans if the province separated from the Canadian federation,

and

(c) unequivocally denounce calls for Alberta to become a state that is independent of Canada.

## **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Oral notice having been given June 25, 2020:

Bill 30 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s28(1):

Office of the Ethics Commissioner, Province of Alberta, Report of the Investigation under the Conflicts of Interest Act by Hon. Marguerite Trussler, QC, Ethics Commissioner, into allegations involving Minister Doug Schweitzer, MLA, Calgary-Elbow

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## **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Labour and Immigration, pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act cW-15, s93(5):

Workers' Compensation Board Alberta 2019 Annual Report Sessional Paper 243/2020

### **Motions Under Standing Order 42**

Ms Sweet, Official Opposition House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) affirm its commitment to a strong and united Canada that is indivisible,
- (b) acknowledge that
  - (i) it is unquestionably in Alberta's interest to remain a part of the Canadian federation, and
  - (ii) there could be detrimental economic and fiscal impacts to Alberta and Albertans if the province separated from the Canadian federation,

and

(c) unequivocally denounce calls for Alberta to become a state that is independent of Canada.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

## **Privilege** – Misleading the Assembly

The Speaker invited Hon. Mr. McIver, Deputy Government House Leader, to speak to the purported question of privilege raised by Ms Gray, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, on June 25, 2020, regarding the Government allegedly misleading the Assembly in order to advance Bill 24, COVID-19 Pandemic Response Statutes Amendment Act, 2020.

The Speaker heard from Hon. Mr. McIver and advised that he would defer his ruling to a later date.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

**506.** Moved by Mr. Ellis:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage more effective communication and collaboration between police services operating in Alberta for the purposes of identifying criminal operations, reducing incidence of crime, and creating safer communities for all Albertans.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

#### **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

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

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

### Adjournment

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

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 25 Protecting Alberta Industry from Theft Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

A debate followed.

Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 25, Protecting Alberta Industry from Theft Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

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A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

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

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

A debate followed.

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

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

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

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 25 Protecting Alberta Industry from Theft Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

# Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:16 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2020, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker