



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 43

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Monday, July 13, 2020

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member Robert C. Clark, Member for Didsbury, 1960 to 1963, and Member for Olds-Didsbury, 1963 to 1981, who passed away on July 10, 2020.

Members' Statements

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding recent socially distanced Calgary Stampede events held during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday, made a statement regarding the work of trade unions and workers to establish the Employment Insurance program in Canada.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley, made a statement regarding the value of the National Hockey League playoffs being hosted by Edmonton.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding trade union actions to protect essential workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding the importance of economic development in northern Alberta.

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the Calgary Stampede.

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding Government efforts to support Alberta's economic recovery.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding recent instances of racist vandalism in Edmonton.

Mr. Horner, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding the Critical Infrastructure Defence Act.

Notices of Motions

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

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) express its concern with recent reports that 42 percent of Alberta physicians are considering looking for work outside of Alberta as a result of changes by the Government to the physician funding framework,
- (b) urge the Government of Alberta to immediately reconsider these changes,
- (c) urge the Government of Alberta to provide the Assembly with an explanation as to why the Government has prevented the Alberta Medical Association from participating in arbitration, and
- (d) urge the Government to develop and provide to the Assembly a response plan to ensure public health care remains stable in light of the potential departure of a large number of physicians from the province.

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Labour and Immigration, pursuant to the Engineering and Geoscience Professions Act, cE-11, s87(4):

Association of Science and Engineering Technology Professionals of Alberta
Annual Report 2019

Sessional Paper 259/2020

Motions Under Standing Order 42

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

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- (c) urge the Government of Alberta to provide the Assembly with an explanation as to why the Government has prevented the Alberta Medical Association from participating in arbitration, and
- (d) urge the Government to develop and provide to the Assembly a response plan to ensure public health care remains stable in light of the potential departure of a large number of physicians from the province.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Motions Other Than Government Motions

507. Moved by Mr. Stephan:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to raise Albertans' awareness of the direct and indirect costs borne by Alberta families and businesses to disproportionately subsidize federal transfers and benefits, including for items listed in the Fair Deal Panel Report to Government.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 30

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| Aheer | Jones | Rowswell |
| Amery | Loewen | Rutherford |
| Barnes | Lovely | Sawhney |
| Dreeshen | Luan | Schow |
| Fir | Madu | Sigurdson (Highwood) |
| Glasgo | McIver | Singh |
| Glubish | Neudorf | Stephan |
| Guthrie | Orr | Walker |
| Hanson | Reid | Wilson |
| Hunter | Rosin | Yaseen |

Against the motion: 7

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| Bilous | Hoffman | Renaud |
| Ceci | Irwin | Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview) |
| Deol | | |

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 33 Alberta Investment Attraction Act — Hon. Ms Fir

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Deol speaking.

Adjournment

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

MONDAY, JULY 13, 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 Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

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

Mr. Milliken, Deputy 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 22 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 260/2020

Amendment to Bill 22 (A3) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 261/2020

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. Dang moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

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

A debate followed.

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 29, Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Sessional Paper 262/2020

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

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

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

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.

The following Bills were reported:

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

Bill 26 Constitutional Referendum 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 26 (A1) (Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 263/2020

Amendment to Bill 26 (A2) (Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 264/2020

Amendment to Bill 22 (A4) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 265/2020

Second Reading

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

Bill 34 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Nixon

A debate followed.

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

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2), Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that there would be no morning sitting on July 14, 2020.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2020, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker

Title: Monday, July 13, 2020