

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 48

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

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

## **Members' Statements**

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding parents' concerns about reopening schools during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding Bill 30, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020.

Mr. Milliken, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding Alberta's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the Government's approach to economic diversification.

Mr. Horner, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler, made a statement regarding electricity transmission and distribution costs.

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding a constituent's concerns about Bill 30, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020.

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding Alberta's lumber industry and Blue Ridge Lumber.

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock, made a statement regarding the Government's efforts to help Alberta farmers in need of assistance.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding Bill 32, Restoring Balance in Alberta's Workplaces Act, 2020.

## **Notices of Motions**

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

**32.** Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2020 Spring Sitting of the Assembly be extended beyond July 23, 2020, until such time as, or when, the Government House Leader advises the Assembly that the business for the sitting is concluded and at such time the Assembly stands adjourned.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Mr. Schow, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Election Act, cE-1, s4(6):

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the 2019 Provincial General Election: Volume III Election Finances

Sessional Paper 289/2020

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

## **Government Bills and Orders**

#### Second Reading

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

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

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, on July 15, 2020, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 30, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Select Special Public Health Act Review Committee in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Sessional Paper 275/2020

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

#### **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)



## Adjournment

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

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020 — 7:30 P.M.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Committee of the Whole**

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 31 Environmental Protection Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Nixon

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 33 Alberta Investment Attraction Act - Hon. Ms Fir

Mr. van Dijken, 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 33 (A1) (Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 290/2020

### **Third Reading**

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

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

A debate followed.

MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, 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 Third time because the Assembly is of the view that the Bill would significantly limit local government decision-making powers and weaken the democratic processes of local governments.

Sessional Paper 291/2020

A debate followed on the amendment.



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 sitting.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

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

For the motion: 24

Allard	Issik	Smith
Barnes	Long	Toews
Copping	Madu	Toor
Ellis	McIver	Turton
Getson	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	van Dijken
Goodridge	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Walker
Gotfried	Panda	Yao
Guthrie	Pon	Yaseen

Against the motion: 7

Ceci	Gray	Sabir
Dang	Pancholi	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
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The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 21 Provincial Administrative Penalties Act—Hon. Mr. Schweitzer

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

#### Second Reading

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

Bill 32 Restoring Balance in Alberta's Workplaces Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Copping

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, on July 20, 2020, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 32, Restoring Balance in Alberta's Workplaces Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Sessional Paper 284/2020

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

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# Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(2.1) and on motion by Hon. Mr. McIver, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 2:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 22, 2020, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, July 21, 2020

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