



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, October 29, 2020

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding the Government's economic policies.

Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Rt. Hon. Don Mazankowski.

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding the actions of the Alberta Federation of Labour and its president.

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the need for Government leadership to develop Alberta's hydrogen industry.

Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding early childhood education professionals and comments made by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud.

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the Alberta separatist movement and comments made by the Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat.

Ms Goodridge, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche, made a statement regarding the Government's French policy action plan (remarks made in French).

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the 30th anniversary of the Alberta Newsprint Company.

Mr. Stephan, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding the economic policies of the federal government and the importance of self-reliance and preparation.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from over 1,500 Albertans urging the Government to (1) halt the removal of any provincial parks, recreation areas and natural areas from Alberta's parks system or any of the associated closures, sales or transfers of infrastructure at these areas to third-party managers, as announced by the Alberta Government on March 3, 2020; (2) keep Chain Lakes, Lawrence Lake, and Fawcett Lake Provincial Recreation Areas fully open within the parks system; (3) keep Alberta's parks publicly managed, open, and protected under the Provincial Parks Act so that recreation areas are available for everyone to enjoy and appreciate nature, thereby enhancing health and well-being, and honouring the ancestors who cared enough to preserve these beautiful natural areas for future generations; and (4) disclose parks usage data, relevant wildlife and water studies, projected impacts on tourism, etc in any future public consultations on Alberta parks management.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Oral notice having been given October 28, 2020:

Bill 41 Insurance (Enhancing Driver Affordability and Care) Amendment Act, 2020
— Hon. Mr. Toews

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Copy of a petition from 214 Albertans urging the Government to halt the closure of any parks, recreation areas or natural areas from Alberta's parks system
Sessional Paper 401/2020

Document, undated, entitled "Scientists' Feedback" relating to a report dated September 26, 2019, entitled "There is no Climate Emergency"
Sessional Paper 402/2020

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Letter, undated, from Dr. Bryan Szumlas, Chief Superintendent, Calgary Catholic School District, to Parents/Guardians, regarding the number of schools and individuals with active cases of COVID-19
Sessional Paper 403/2020

Mr. Rowsell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright:

Document dated September 26, 2019, entitled “There is no Climate Emergency,” prepared by the European Climate Declaration, relating to comments made by Mr. Rowsell during his Member’s Statement on October 28, 2020
Sessional Paper 404/2020

Mr. Horner, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler:

Edmonton Journal website article dated October 21, 2020, entitled “David Staples: Lockdowns will cause 10 times more harm to human health than COVID-19 itself, says infectious disease expert,” relating to comments made by Mr. Horner during his Member’s Statement on October 27, 2020
Sessional Paper 405/2020

Article, undated, entitled “COVID-19: Rethinking the Lockdown Groupthink,” by Dr. Ari Joffe, relating to comments made by Mr. Horner during his Member’s Statement on October 27, 2020
Sessional Paper 406/2020

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 39 Child Care Licensing (Early Learning and Child Care) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Ms Schulz

Hon. Ms Schulz moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 38 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Madu

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, MLA Loyola speaking.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, November 2, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker