



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 66

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding the federal and Alberta mobile phone COVID-19 contact tracing applications.

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley, made a statement regarding extremist groups such as Extinction Rebellion.

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Calgary-Klein, made a statement regarding the importance of connecting with seniors, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding red tape reduction.

Ms Goodridge, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche, made a statement regarding Robert Sallows and bringing awareness to tissue and organ donation.

MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the New Democratic Party's plan to help small businesses struggling during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the Stollery Children's Hospital.

Mr. Stephan, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding lockdowns and the mental health of young adults during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Glasgow, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, made a statement recognizing local small business owners' initiatives in philanthropy and volunteerism.

Notices of Motions

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

43. Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2020 Fall Sitting of the Assembly shall stand adjourned upon the Government House Leader advising the Assembly that the business for the Sitting is concluded.
44. A. Be it resolved that despite any Standing Order, practice of the Legislative Assembly or the 2020 sessional calendar, at any time during the Second Session of the 30th Legislature the Government House Leader may, upon providing a minimum of 24 hours' written notice to the Speaker, or by notifying the Assembly no later than the time of adjournment on the preceding sitting day, advise that the public interest requires the Assembly to sit extended hours
- (a) on Thursday beyond the normal adjournment hour, or
 - (b) on Friday, Saturday or Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. commencing with prayers followed by
 - (i) the ordinary daily routine to consist of those items set out in Standing Order 7(1), with Oral Question Period commencing at 10:20 a.m. and, for the purpose of Standing Order 7(7) and (8), the Daily Routine shall be deemed completed at 11:30 a.m., and
 - (ii) Orders of the Day to consist of those items of business set out in Standing Order 8(2)and the Speaker shall give notice that the Assembly shall meet at that time to transact its business;
- B. And be it further resolved that this motion (a) takes effect immediately on passage, and (b) expires at 11:59 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021.
45. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Government Motion 44 is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the motion, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the motion shall be put forthwith.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-25, s63(2), the Health Information Act, cH-5, s95(2), and the Personal Information Protection Act, cP-6.5, s44(2):

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 43 Financing Alberta's Strategic Transportation Act — Hon. Mr. McIver

A debate followed.

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

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

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

A debate followed.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, on behalf of Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 41, Insurance (Enhancing Driver Affordability and Care) 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.

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A debate followed on the amendment.

Debate adjourned on the amendment, Mr. Dang speaking.

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 46 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Madu on behalf of Hon. Mr. Shandro

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 47 Ensuring Safety and Cutting Red Tape Act, 2020 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Copping

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

A debate followed.

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

Bill 39, Child Care Licensing (Early Learning and Child Care) Amendment Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the proposed legislation will not adequately improve safety within the child care sector and therefore further stakeholder consultation is required to address these deficiencies.

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A debate followed on the amendment.

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

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

Bill 35 Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020 — Hon. Mr. Toews

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, on November 5, 2020, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 35, Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that a reduction in the corporate income tax rate that rewards foreign shareholders is an ineffective strategy to create jobs, relative to the alternatives.

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The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the main motion.

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

Bill 35, Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020, be not now read a Second time but that it be read a Second time this day six months hence.

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

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

Bill 45 Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2) — Hon. Mrs. Allard

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. Madu, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, November 18, 2020, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker