

No. 77

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Monday, December 7, 2020

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley, made a statement regarding the importance of local businesses in the Central Peace-Notley constituency.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding comments made by the Premier concerning the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Goodridge, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche, made a statement regarding the Perfect Gift Store, a non-profit organization in Lac La Biche.

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement regarding the Government's education policies during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement regarding the many steps required to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding the need to protect service and retail workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding the work of the Alberta Firearms Advisory Committee and the Fair Deal Panel.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding the need for Government to take action on gender-based violence.

Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding the final permit approval for Enbridge Energy's Line 3 pipeline.

Notices of Motions

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bill:

Bill 211 Municipal Government (Firearms) Amendment Act, 2020 — Ms Glasgo

Hon. Mrs. Savage, Deputy Government House Leader gave oral notice of the following motions:

- 53. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 35, Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
- 54. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 35, Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
- 55. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 46, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2), is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
- 56. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 46, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2), is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
- 57. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 47, Ensuring Safety and Cutting Red Tape Act, 2020, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
- 58. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 47, Ensuring Safety and Cutting Red Tape Act, 2020, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

- 59. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 48, Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2020 (No. 2), is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
- **60.** Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 48, Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2020 (No. 2), is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 209 Cost of Public Services Transparency Act — Mr. Stephan

Tabling Returns and Reports

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood:

Twitter post dated November 28, 2020, from Darren Markland, regarding his experiences of treating patients during the COVID-19 pandemic

Sessional Paper 531/2020

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung:

CBC News website article dated November 29, 2020, entitled "Canadian researchers turn to wastewater tests at long-term care homes to detect COVID hot spots"

Sessional Paper 532/2020

CBC News website article dated October 29, 2020, entitled "Alberta excrement being tested for COVD-19 as researchers refine sewage surveillance"

Sessional Paper 533/2020

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were rejected:

MR8. Moved by Mr. Sabir on behalf of Mr. Shepherd:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all reports received by the Ministry of Health from Alberta Health Services between May 1, 2019, and October 19, 2020, relating to medical device reprocessing. The question being put, the motion was defeated. With Mrs. Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 5

Dach Renaud Schmidt

Feehan Sabir

Against the motion: 17

Armstrong-Homeniuk Hunter Rehn
Ellis Issik Rosin
Fir Loewen Savage
Getson Long Singh
Glasgo Neudorf Turton

Goodridge Panda

MR9. Moved by Mr. Dach on behalf of Mr. Shepherd:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all surveillance reports prepared by the Ministry of Health between May 1, 2014, and October 19, 2020, relating to the incidence of sexually transmitted infections and diseases in Alberta.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 4

Feehan Sabir Schmidt

Renaud

Against the motion: 15

Armstrong-Homeniuk Goodridge Rehn
Ellis Issik Savage
Fir Loewen Singh
Getson Long Turton
Glasgo Neudorf Wilson

MR10. Moved by Ms Renaud on behalf of Ms Goehring:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

A list of Screen-based Production Grant recipients and the total dollar amount approved for those grants in the fiscal year 2018-2019, broken down by fiscal quarter.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 5

Dach Renaud Schmidt

Feehan Sabir

Against the motion: 15

EllisIssikRehnFirLoewenSavageGetsonLongSinghGlasgoLovelyTurtonGoodridgeNeudorfWilson

MR11. Moved by Mr. Schmidt on behalf of Ms Phillips:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, including tables and graphs, prepared between April 16, 2019, and August 15, 2019, containing or relating to the projections and forecasts used by the Government to determine the effect of the corporate tax reduction on Government revenue.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 5

Dach Renaud Schmidt

Feehan Sabir

Against the motion: 15

Armstrong-Homeniuk Long Toor
Ellis Lovely van Dijken
Getson Rosin Walker
Horner Singh Williams
Issik Smith Yaseen

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 205 Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month Act — Mr. Singh

Mr. Williams, 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 205 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-East) — Adjourned Sessional Paper 534/2020

Motions Other Than Government Motions

515. Moved by Mr. Horner:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with electricity agencies and electric utilities to lower transmission and distribution costs for consumers.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Ellis, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, the Assembly adjourned at 5:55 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

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

Mr. Schow moved to adjourn debate and report progress.

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

For the motion: 21

Reid Allard LaGrange Armstrong-Homeniuk Lovely Rowswell Madu Rutherford Copping Glasgo McIver Schow Gotfried Orr Singh Guthrie Panda Smith Yao Hanson Rehn

Against the motion: 7

Eggen Nielsen Sabir
Ganley Pancholi Shepherd

Hoffman

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

- Bill 35 Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020
 Hon. Mr. Toews
- Bill 46 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2) Hon. Mr. Shandro
- Bill 48 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2020 (No. 2) Hon. Mr. Hunter

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 46 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 535/2020

Amendment to Bill 46 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 536/2020

Amendment to Bill 46 (A3) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 537/2020

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2), Hon. Mr. Madu, Deputy Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that there would be no morning sitting on Tuesday, December 8, 2020.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(1.2) and on motion by Hon. Mr. Madu, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:47 p.m. until Tuesday, December 8, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker