

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 83

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, March 11, 2021

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

Speaker's Statement – COVID-19 National Day of Observance

Hon. Members, over the past year Albertans have faced many challenges and endured tremendous loss due to COVID-19. More than 136,000 Albertans have fought COVID-19 during the past 12 months, and sadly, 1,926 people in our province have lost that fight. Today our flags fly at half-mast in recognition of March 11, 2021, as the National Day of Observance for those who have lost their lives as well as for all Albertans who have been significantly impacted by this global pandemic. We are all anxious for life to return to what we once knew as normal, but it is essential that we remember those for whom that will not be possible. Until then, we recognize the strength, commitment and resiliency of Albertans as we continue to face this crisis and carry the burdens for others.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Shandro, Minister of Health, made a statement regarding the signing of a Relationship Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding to improve the health and well-being of the Siksika'tsi'tapii (remarks made in Blackfoot).

Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the one-year anniversary of the World Health Organization declaring COVID-19 a pandemic.

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Calgary-Klein, made a statement regarding Social Work Week.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie-East, made a statement regarding Alberta Francophonie Month.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding the conduct of the Premier's former chief of staff.

Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding the Protection of Students with Life-threatening Allergies Act.

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding Government investments.

Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding the need to eradicate racism.

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding the importance of supporting small- and medium-sized oil and gas producers.

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding proposed federal firearms legislation.

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(8), Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, provided notice to the Assembly that the Daily Routine shall continue beyond 3:00 p.m.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Schow, Deputy Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Final Report, Bill 208, Alberta Investment Management Corporation Amendment Act, 2020, Thirtieth Legislature, Second Session, March 2021

Sessional Paper 579/2020-21

Concurrence of the Assembly was requested with respect to the report that the Bill not proceed.

A Member rose to speak to the motion. The Speaker advised that debate on the motion for concurrence will take place on the next available Monday.

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Mr. Schow, Deputy Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Final Report, Bill 209, Cost of Public Services Transparency Act, Thirtieth Legislature, Second Session, March 2021

Sessional Paper 580/2020-21

Concurrence of the Assembly was requested with respect to the report that the Bill proceed.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 56 Local Measures Statutes Amendment Act, 2021-Hon. Mr. McIver

Bill 57 Metis Settlements Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Wilson

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Panda, Minister of Infrastructure:

Document entitled "Edmonton Schools Currently in Design and Construction and the Student Spaces They Will Create"

Sessional Paper 581/2020-21

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Message From Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following document pursuant to the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, cF-14.7, s4(5):

2020-21 Supplementary Supply Estimates No. 2, General Revenue Fund Sessional Paper 582/2020-21

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Government Motions

67. Oral notice having been given March 10, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

Be it resolved that the Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2020-21 Supplementary Supply Estimates (No. 2) for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

68. Oral notice having been given March 10, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 61(2), the Committee of Supply shall be called to consider the 2020-21 Supplementary Supply Estimates (No. 2) for three hours on Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

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

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Ms Hoffman speaking.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, March 15, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

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