

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 87

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, March 18, 2021

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

Statement by the Speaker — International Francophonie Day

The Speaker made a statement regarding Franco-Albertans and recognizing March 20, 2021, as International Francophonie Day.

Members' Statements

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding a lack of Government support for permanent housing for unhoused people in Edmonton.

Ms Goodridge, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche, made a statement regarding New Democratic Party opposition to Budget 2021.

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding challenges faced by the airline industry during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the need for increased Government support for universal affordable child care.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding Government action to support the health and economy of the Calgary-East constituency during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding comments made by the Minister of Environment and Parks concerning water allocation orders on the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the resilience of faith communities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding the Residents in Recovery program.

Mr. Rehn, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding the importance of Canadian energy security.

Notices of Motions

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

- **69.** Be it resolved that:
 - 1. A Select Special Committee on Real Property Rights be established and consist of the following Members:

Sigurdson (Highwood) (Chair)	Goodridge	Nielsen
Rutherford (Deputy Chair)	Hanson	Orr
Ganley	Rowswell	Schmidt
Glasgo	Milliken	Sweet

- 2. The Committee's mandate is limited to consideration of the following matters:
 - (a) whether the legal remedies available to a real property owner who is deprived of the use of their real property are adequate;
 - (b) whether the real property rights should be expanded, or in the case of an individual, constitutionally protected;
 - (c) whether the law of adverse possession should be abolished;
 - (d) whether the expropriation processes provided under the Expropriation Act are adequate;
 - (e) any other matter that the Committee decides is necessary to ensure the completeness of its review;
- 3. The Committee may, if it considers it relevant to its mandate, review any part of the following Acts, including any regulation made under that Act:
 - (a) Alberta Bill of Rights;
 - (b) Alberta Land Stewardship Act;
 - (c) Expropriation Act;
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- (d) Land Titles Act;
- (e) Law of Property Act;
- (f) Limitations Act;
- (g) Responsible Energy Development Act;
- (h) any other Act, a review of which the Committee determines is necessary to ensure completeness of its review;
- 4. During the course of its review, the Committee
 - (a) continues despite a prorogation of a Session of the 30th Legislature, and
 - (b) may, without leave of the Assembly, meet during a period when the Assembly is prorogued;
- 5. The Committee may, subject to the Chair's approval, pay any reasonable costs necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities, specifically the costs of advertising, staff assistance, equipment and supplies, rent, travel and other similar costs;
- 6. The Committee may, during the course of its review, utilize the services of any of the following:
 - (a) Legislative Assembly Office employees, or
 - (b) subject to the approval of the head of a department or an office of the Legislature, the public service employees of that department or office;
- 7. No later than December 15, 2021, the Committee must submit a report to the Assembly that sets out its recommendations, if any;
- 8. If the Assembly is not sitting on the day that the Committee completes its report, the Chair of the Committee must, as soon as practicable
 - (a) deposit the report with the Clerk in accordance with Standing Order 38.1, and
 - (b) provide a copy of the report to each Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

Screenshot of a portion of an Angus-Reid poll asking about a potential merger between ATB Financial and TD Canada Trust, relating to comments made by Ms Phillips during Oral Question Period on March 18, 2021

Sessional Paper 591/2020-21

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

Alberta Canola Producers Commission news release dated March 17, 2021, entitled "Alberta producer organizations encourage the Government of Alberta to accept the current AgriStability proposal"

Sessional Paper 592/2020-21

Document dated November 20, 2020, entitled "Oldman River Basin Water Allocation Order Information Briefing," prepared by Alberta Environment and Parks

Sessional Paper 593/2020-21

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud:

8 recent pieces of correspondence from residents of the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills constituency to Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, expressing support for \$25-a-day child care

Sessional Paper 594/2020-21

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 53 Service Alberta Statutes (Virtual Meetings) Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Glubish

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, pursuant to Standing Order 64(4), at 4:15 p.m. the Chair interrupted the proceedings and immediately put the question on the Appropriation Bill standing on the Order Paper referred to Committee of the Whole, which was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 59 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2021 (\$) - Hon. Mr. Toews

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Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:16 p.m. until Monday, March 22, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

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