



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 92

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member Ty Lund, Member for Rocky Mountain House, 1989 to 2012, who passed away on February 28, 2021.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Minister of Environment and Parks, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Ty Lund, Member for Rocky Mountain House, 1989 to 2012, who passed away on February 28, 2021.

Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement recognizing the hard work and challenges faced by healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Rutherford, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont, made a statement recognizing the 104th anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge and regarding the importance of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Ms Glasgo, Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, made a statement recognizing the third anniversary of the Humboldt Broncos bus collision.

Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding the absence of Indigenous Alberta history in the recently proposed Alberta kindergarten to grade 6 curriculum.

Mr. Schow, Hon. Member for Cardston-Siksika, made a statement regarding the benefits of the recently proposed Alberta kindergarten to grade 6 curriculum.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding a lack of Government action to advance progress on the Calgary Green Line project.

Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding Enhance Energy.

Mr. Milliken, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding the Glendale Community Hall rebuilding campaign.

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.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the Disclosure to Protect Against Domestic Violence (Clare's Law) Act, which comes into force on April 1, 2021.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bills:

Bill 63 Police (Street Checks and Carding) Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Madu

Bill 64 Public Lands Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Nixon

Bill 65 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Bill 66 Public Health Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bill:

Bill 214 Eastern Slopes Protection Act — Ms Notley

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to listen to the concerns and voices of Albertans, educators and experts, and delay the pilot of their draft K to 6 curriculum until a broad consultation with staff, teachers, students, parents, curriculum experts and all Albertans is completed, given the significant negative public response to the draft curriculum.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud:

31 pieces of correspondence from Albertans to Hon. Ms Schulz, Minister of Children's Services, expressing concern regarding the discontinuation of the \$25-a-day child care program

Sessional Paper 613/2020-21

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Statement, undated, prepared by the Association of Alberta Deans of Education, advising that the organization will not endorse the recently proposed Alberta kindergarten to grade 6 curriculum

Sessional Paper 614/2020-21

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Shandro, Minister of Health:

Pursuant to the Public Health Act, cP-37, s7(2), Public Health Appeal Board 2020 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 615/2020-21

Hospital Privileges Appeal Board 2020 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 616/2020-21

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Pon, Minister of Seniors and Housing:

Supplemental response to a question raised by Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, March 17, 2021, Ministry of Seniors and Housing 2021-22 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 617/2020-21

Motions Under Standing Order 42

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to listen to the concerns and voices of Albertans, educators and experts, and delay the pilot of their draft K to 6 curriculum until a broad consultation with staff, teachers, students, parents, curriculum experts and all Albertans is completed, given the significant negative public response to the draft curriculum.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 55 College of Alberta School Superintendents Act — Hon. Min. LaGrange

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

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

Bill 54 Irrigation Districts Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Dreeshen

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2021 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

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

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Nixon moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Motions

70. Oral notice having been given March 23, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly express profound dismay at the revocation of the permit issued by the President of the United States authorizing the Keystone XL Pipeline border crossing, as the Assembly is of the view the decision will:

- a) lead to the loss of an estimated 60,000 direct, indirect and induced jobs associated with the Keystone XL project, in both Canada and the United States;

- b) undermine North American energy security, making the United States more dependent on OPEC oil imports in the future;
- c) damage the critically important Canada-US bilateral relationship; and

be it further resolved that the Assembly express its gratitude to the majority of members of the United States Senate and the coalition of state governments who are seeking a reversal of this decision; and

that the Assembly call upon the Government of the United States to compensate the Government of Alberta and TC Energy for damages created by the arbitrary revocation of the Presidential permit.

A debate followed.

Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the motion be amended by adding the following after “Presidential permit”:

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly request the Auditor General to audit the agreement between the Government of Alberta and TC Energy entered into in 2020 in respect of Keystone XL, and report to the Legislative Assembly on the results of the audit by September 1, 2022.

Sessional Paper 618/2020-21

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the main motion.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, moved that the motion be amended by

- (a) striking out “and” at the end of clause (c), and
- (b) adding the following immediately after clause (c):
 - (d) result in a loss to Albertans of public funds in the range of \$1.3 billion and \$7.5 billion; and

Sessional Paper 619/2020-21

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the main motion.

MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, moved that the motion be amended by adding the following after “Presidential permit”:

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government of Alberta to table in the Assembly a copy of all third-party and internal risk assessments that the Government of Alberta considered prior to entering into an agreement with TC Energy in which it agreed to a \$1.5 billion equity investment in the Keystone XL project in 2020.

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The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the main motion.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 29

Ceci	Kenney	Rosin
Dach	LaGrange	Rowswell
Feehan	Luan	Sawhney
Glasgo	McIver	Schow
Glubish	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Schweitzer
Goodridge	Orr	Singh
Gotfried	Pitt	Williams
Gray	Pon	Wilson
Guthrie	Rehn	Yao
Hunter	Reid	

Against the motion: 0

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

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

Mr. Gotfried, 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 211 (A1) (Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat) —
Agreed to

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Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schweitzer, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:42 p.m. until Wednesday, April 7, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker