



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 106

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Monday, May 31, 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 memory of the Indigenous children whose remains were recently found at a residential school site near Kamloops, British Columbia.

### **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Mr. Wilson, Minister of Indigenous Relations, made a statement regarding the recent discovery of a mass grave of 215 Indigenous children who died at a residential school near Kamloops, British Columbia.

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

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement regarding Mark Carney's views concerning Canada's energy industry.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding Government inaction and inconsistent treatment of small businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Rosin, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, made a statement regarding the provincial reopening plan during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement regarding the lack of Government support for Alberta's live entertainment sector during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding the recent approval of CAR T-cell cancer therapy in Alberta.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding the views of several Albertans concerning the actions and policies of the Premier.

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding Albertans of Polish Heritage.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to address the increase in racist attacks in Alberta.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding Bill 72, Preserving Canada's Economic Prosperity Act.

### **Notices of Motions**

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) acknowledge the implications for Indigenous people of Alberta of the recent discovery of the remains of the bodies of an estimated 215 children at the site of the Kamloops Residential School;
- (b) recognize that one-fifth of child deaths – over 800 – at residential schools in Canada took place in Alberta;
- (c) condemn the horrific loss of life of Indigenous children;
- (d) acknowledge that the Government of Alberta has supports and resources it can contribute to assist families who continue to experience trauma from the loss and death of their loved ones at residential school; and
- (e) urge the Government of Alberta to take immediate and effective action to assist communities to identify similar burial sites in respect of more than 800 children who died at residential schools in Alberta.

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Shandro, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College of Pharmacy 2020 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 698/2020-21

## Motions Under Standing Order 42

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) acknowledge the implications for Indigenous people of Alberta of the recent discovery of the remains of the bodies of an estimated 215 children at the site of the Kamloops Residential School;
- (b) recognize that one-fifth of child deaths – over 800 – at residential schools in Canada took place in Alberta;
- (c) condemn the horrific loss of life of Indigenous children;
- (d) acknowledge that the Government of Alberta has supports and resources it can contribute to assist families who continue to experience trauma from the loss and death of their loved ones at residential school; and
- (e) urge the Government of Alberta to take immediate and effective action to assist communities to identify similar burial sites in respect of more than 800 children who died at residential schools in Alberta.

Pursuant to Standing Order 42(1.1) and (1.2), Mr. Dang and Hon. Mr. Nixon commented on the request for unanimous consent.

Unanimous consent to proceed was granted.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Wilson, Minister of Indigenous Relations, moved that the motion be amended

- (a) by striking out “and” at the end of clause (d),
- (b) by adding “and” at the end of clause (e), and
- (c) by adding the following immediately after clause (e):
  - (f) urge the Government of Alberta to work with the Government of Canada
    - (i) to develop an online registry of residential school cemeteries,
    - (ii) to inform affected families of the location of their child's burial, and

- (iii) to develop procedures for the ongoing identification, documentation, maintenance and protection of residential school cemeteries, and the commemoration of those who were buried in these cemeteries.

Sessional Paper 701/2020-2021

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

Debate continued on the motion as amended.

The question being put, the motion as amended was agreed to.

## **Adjournment**

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

MONDAY, MAY 31, 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 62 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Hunter

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 72 Preserving Canada's Economic Prosperity Act — Hon. Mrs. Savage

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 68 Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Madu

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Madu, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:05 a.m. Tuesday, June 1, 2021, until 10:00 a.m.

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Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,  
Speaker