

No. 116

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

Government Motions

91. Oral notice having been given June 15, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Madu on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 56, Local Measures Statutes Amendment Act, 2021, 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.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Madu and Mr. Sabir commented on the time allocation 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:

Aheer* Guthrie Rosin Allard Hanson* Rowswell Amery* Horner* Schweitzer Issik* Armstrong-Homeniuk* Singh Ellis LaGrange Stephan* Turton Fir* Luan Getson Madu Walker Glasgo Orr Williams Glubish Panda* Wilson Yao Goodridge Pon

Gotfried*

Against the motion: 7

Bilous Goehring Shepherd Deol Sabir Sweet

Eggen

92. Oral notice having been given June 15, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Madu on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 58, Freedom to Care Act, 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.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Madu and Ms Goehring commented on the time allocation 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: 33

Aheer* Guthrie Rosin Hanson* Rowswell Allard Horner* Amery* Sawhney Armstrong-Homeniuk* Hunter* Singh Ellis Issik* Stephan Toor* Fir* LaGrange Getson Luan Turton Glasgo Madu Walker Glubish Orr Williams Goodridge Panda* Wilson Gotfried* Pon Yao

^{*}Member voted remotely

Against the motion: 7

Bilous Goehring Shepherd Deol Sabir Sweet

Eggen

89. Oral notice having been given June 15, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Madu on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 70, COVID-19 Related Measures Act, 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.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Madu and Mr. Eggen commented on the time allocation 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: 28

Aheer* Horner* Rowswell Armstrong-Homeniuk* Hunter* Sawhney Copping* Issik* Singh Stephan Ellis LaGrange Fir* Toor* Luan Madu Turton Getson Glasgo Panda* Walker Glubish Pon Williams Wilson Goodridge Rosin Guthrie

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Against the motion: 6

Bilous Eggen Shepherd
Deol Goehring Sweet

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

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

A debate followed.

^{*}Member voted remotely

^{*}Member voted remotely

Pursuant to Government Motion 91, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:18 a.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Third Reading of Bill 56, Local Measures Statutes Amendment Act, 2021, which was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 34

Aheer* Hunter Rowswell Allard Issik* Sawhney Armstrong-Homeniuk* LaGrange Schweitzer Copping* Luan Singh Fir* Madu Stephan McIver Toor* Getson Glasgo Neudorf Turton Glubish Orr Walker Panda* Williams Goodridge Guthrie Wilson Pon Hanson* Rosin Yao Horner*

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Against the motion: 7

Bilous Goehring Shepherd Deol Sabir Sweet

Eggen

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

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

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mrs. Aheer

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, moved that the Bill be amended by adding the following immediately after section 5(4):

- (5) If an exemption order has been made under subsection (1) in respect of a non-profit organization, the non-profit organization must, within 5 business days of the making of that order provide to all of its employees, volunteers and clients
 - (a) a copy of the order, and

^{*}Member voted remotely

- (b) an explanation in writing of the effects of the order on the non-profit organization's
 - (i) delivery of its programs or services, and
 - (ii) employees and volunteers.

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

For the amendment: 7

Bilous Goehring Shepherd
Deol Sabir Sweet
Eggen

Against the amendment: 34

Aheer* Horner* Rowswell Hunter Allard Sawhney Armstrong-Homeniuk* Issik* Schweitzer Copping* LaGrange Singh Fir* Luan Stephan Toor* Getson Madu Turton Glasgo Neudorf Glubish Orr Walker Goodridge Panda* Williams Gotfried* Pon Wilson Guthrie Rosin Yao Hanson*

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mrs. Aheer

Mr. Stephan, 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 58 (A5) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs) — Defeated on division

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Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2.1), the Assembly adjourned at 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

^{*}Member voted remotely

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

Ms Rosin, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, made a statement regarding the Start Alberta directory for entrepreneurs.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding the actions of the Premier and the Government House Leader.

Mr. Schow, Hon. Member for Cardston-Siksika, made a statement congratulating the graduating class of 2021 in the Cardston-Siksika constituency.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement regarding comments made by the Premier and some Members of Parliament concerning niqabs.

Mr. Milliken, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding recent Government accomplishments.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to increase support for early childhood education.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding horse racing and rodeo events planned for the summer in rural Alberta.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the need for Government to support addiction harm-reduction strategies.

Ms Goodridge, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche, made a statement regarding the first annual Lac La Biche Walleye Cup.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader:

Open letter, undated, from the Friends of Medicare and several other organizations expressing opposition to Bill 70, COVID-19 Related Measures Act
Sessional Paper 789/2020-21

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat:

Page 92 of a document entitled "Alberta Strong & Free," expressing the democratic reform policies of a potential United Conservative government Sessional Paper 790/2020-21

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

94. Oral notice having been given June 15, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. McIver on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the membership of the Assembly's committees be replaced as follows:

- A. on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, that Mr. Neudorf replace Mr. Barnes, and Mr. Williams replace Mr. Rehn;
- B. on the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, that Mr. Loewen replace Mr. Neudorf;
- On the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, that Mr. Rehn replace Mr. Loewen.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mrs. Aheer

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, on behalf of Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, moved that the Bill be amended in section 5 by

- (a) striking out subsection (2) and substituting the following:
 - (2) A non-profit organization must
 - (a) in the form and manner as the Minister may direct and in accordance with clause (b), apply for an exemption, and
 - (b) specify in the application how the exemption
 - (i) would address a need of the non-profit organization in respect of a single event or activity,
 - (ii) relates to a charitable purpose of the non-profit organization, and

- (iii) would not pose a risk to the health and safety of volunteers or the individuals receiving services from the non-profit organization.
- (b) by striking out subsection (3) and substituting the following:
 - (3) An order for an exemption under this section must meet the following conditions:
 - (a) the Lieutenant Governor in Council may only make an order if it is satisfied that the exemption meets the criteria set out in subsection (2)(b),
 - (b) the order may only be in respect of one non-profit organization, and
 - (c) the order must set out
 - (i) the non-profit organization to which the exemption applies,
 - (ii) the specific event or activity subject to the exemption,
 - (iii) the specific provisions of the regulations that are disapplied in respect of the specific event or activity,
 - (iv) the specific charitable purpose of the non-profit organization to which the exemption relates, and
 - (v) the limited period of time for which the exemption applies.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Milliken at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 7

Ceci Ganley Hoffman Dach Gray Loyola Feehan

Against the amendment: 34

Aheer* Hunter Rowswell Allard Issik* Sawhney Amery* LaGrange Schow Copping* Luan Singh Fir* Madu Stephan Toor* Getson McIver Glasgo Neudorf Turton Glubish Orr Walker Goodridge Panda* Williams Guthrie Wilson Pon Hanson* Rosin Yao Horner*

^{*}Member voted remotely

Pursuant to Government Motion 92, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 3:45 p.m. the question was immediately put on the clauses of Bill 58, Freedom to Care Act, which was agreed to. With Mr. Milliken at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 34

Aheer* Rowswell Hunter Issik* Allard Sawhney Amerv* LaGrange Schow Copping* Singh Luan Fir* Stephan Madu Toor* Getson Nally Glasgo Neudorf Turton Glubish Orr Walker Goodridge Panda* Williams Guthrie Pon Wilson Hanson* Rosin Yao Horner*

Against the motion: 7

Ceci Ganley Hoffman Dach Gray Loyola

Feehan

Pursuant to Government Motion 92, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 4:03 p.m. the question was immediately put on the title and preamble of Bill 58, Freedom to Care Act, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 92, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 4:03 p.m. the question was immediately put that Bill 58, Freedom to Care Act, be reported, which was agreed to.

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mrs. Aheer

Mr. Getson, 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 58 (A6) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs) — Defeated on division Sessional Paper 791/2020-21

^{*}Member voted remotely

Third Reading

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

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mr. Nally on behalf of Hon. Mrs. Aheer

A debate followed.

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

Government Motions

93. Oral notice having been given June 15, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Nally on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 58, Freedom to Care Act, 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.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Nally and Ms Gray commented on the time allocation 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: 34

Aheer* Hanson* Rosin Horner* Allard Rowswell Amery* Hunter Sawhney Armstrong-Homeniuk* Issik* Schow Copping* LaGrange Singh Fir* Luan Stephan Getson Nally Toor* Turton Glasgo Neudorf Glubish Orr Walker Williams Goodridge Panda* Gotfried* Pon Yao Guthrie

Against the motion: 7

Ceci Ganley Hoffman
Dach Gray Loyola

Feehan

^{*}Member voted remotely

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mrs. Aheer

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Feehan speaking.

Adjournment

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021 — 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 Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 70 COVID-19 Related Measures Act

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, on behalf of Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, on June 15, 2021, that the Bill be amended by striking out section 9.

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

For the amendment: 7

Dang Pancholi Schmidt

Irwin Renaud Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

Nielsen

Against the amendment: 34

Amery* Lovely* Schulz*

Dreeshen* Luan Schweitzer

Ellis Madu Shandro

Getson Nicolaides* Sigurdson (Highwood)*

Glasgo Nixon (Calgary-Klein)* Singh Glubish Orr Stephan Goodridge Pon Turton Guthrie Rosin Walker Hunter Rowswell Williams Wilson Jones* Sawhney LaGrange Schow Yaseen*

Long*

Pursuant to Government Motion 89, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 8:31 p.m. the question was immediately put on the clauses of Bill 70, COVID-19 Related Measures Act, which was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 38

Dreeshen Long Sawhney Ellis Lovely Schow Getson Luan Schulz Glasgo Madu Schweitzer Glubish McIver Shandro Goodridge Neudorf Sigurdson (Highwood)

Gotfried **Nicolaides** Singh Guthrie Turton Nixon (Calgary-Klein) Hunter Walker Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) Issik Williams Orr Wilson Jones Pon Rosin Kenney Yaseen

LaGrange Rowswell

Against the motion: 8

Dang Notley Schmidt

Irwin Pancholi Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

Nielsen Renaud

Pursuant to Government Motion 89, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 8:49 p.m. the question was immediately put on the title and preamble of Bill 70, COVID-19 Related Measures Act, which was agreed to.

^{*}Member voted remotely

^{*}Member voted remotely

Pursuant to Government Motion 89, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 8:50 p.m. the question was immediately put that Bill 70, COVID-19 Related Measures Act, be reported, which was agreed to.

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 70 COVID-19 Related Measures Act — Mr. Gotfried

Ms Glasgo, 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 70 (A2) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview on June 15, 2021) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 787/2020-21

Third Reading

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

Bill 70 COVID-19 Related Measures Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro on behalf of Mr. Gotfried

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

Government Motions

90. Oral notice having been given June 15, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 70, COVID-19 Related Measures Act, 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.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Nixon and Mr. Dang commented on the time allocation motion.

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

Dreeshen* Lovely* Sawhney Ellis Luan Schow Getson Madu Schulz* Schweitzer Glasgo McIver Glubish Neudorf Shandro Goodridge Nicolaides* Sigurdson (Highwood)*

Guthrie Nixon (Calgary-Klein)* Singh Hunter Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) Turton Issik* Orr Walker Jones* Williams Pon Kenney Rosin Wilson LaGrange Rowswell Yaseen*

Long*

Against the motion: 8

Dang Nielsen Schmidt Hoffman* Pancholi Sweet* Irwin Renaud

*Member voted remotely

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mrs. Aheer

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Government Motion 93, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 9:41 p.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Third Reading of Bill 58, Freedom to Care Act, which was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

Allard Lovely* Schulz*
Amery* Madu Schweitzer
Dreeshen* McIver Shandro

Ellis Neudorf Sigurdson (Highwood)*

Nicolaides* Getson Singh Glasgo $Nixon \, {\scriptstyle (Calgary-Klein)}^{m{*}}$ Stephan Glubish Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) Turton Guthrie Orr Walker Hunter Pon Williams Wilson Jones* Rosin Kenney Rowswell Yao LaGrange Sawhney Yaseen*

Long* Schow

Against the motion: 12

DangHoffman*PancholiEggen*IrwinRenaudFeehan*NielsenSabir*Goehring*NotleySchmidt

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

Bill 70 COVID-19 Related Measures Act — Mr. Gotfried

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Government Motion 90, agreed to on June 16, 2021, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:00 p.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Third Reading of Bill 70, COVID-19 Related Measures Act, which was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

^{*}Member voted remotely

Dreeshen* Luan Schow
Ellis Madu Schulz*
Getson McIver Schweitzer
Glasgo Neudorf Shandro

Glubish Nicolaides* Sigurdson (Highwood)*

Guthrie Nixon (Calgary-Klein)* Singh Hunter Toews Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) Issik* Turton Orr Jones* Walker Pon Rehn Williams Kenney LaGrange Rosin Wilson Yaseen* Long* Rowswell

Lovely* Sawhney

Against the motion: 21

Bilous* Goehring* Pancholi
Ceci* Gray Renaud
Dach* Hoffman* Sabir*
Dang Irwin Schmidt
Deol* Loyola* Shepherd*

Feehan* Nielsen Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

Ganley* Notley Sweet*

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 58 Freedom to Care Act — Hon. Mrs. Aheer

Bill 70 COVID-19 Related Measures Act — Mr. Gotfried

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 8 and 9(1) in order to proceed immediately to Second Reading of Bill 217, Polish-Canadian Heritage Day Act.

Second Reading

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

Bill 217 Polish-Canadian Heritage Day Act — Mr. Williams

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 8 and 9(1) in order to proceed immediately to Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 217, Polish-Canadian Heritage Day Act.

^{*}Member voted remotely

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 Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 217 Polish-Canadian Heritage Day Act — Mr. Williams

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8, 9(1), and 77(1) in order to proceed immediately to Third Reading of Bill 217, Polish-Canadian Heritage Day Act.

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 217 Polish-Canadian Heritage Day Act — Mr. Williams

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 77, agreed to on May 25, 2021, and on advice by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, to the Assembly that the business for the 2021 Spring Sitting is concluded, the Assembly adjourned at 11:46 p.m. until Monday, October 25, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker