

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 133

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Monday, November 29, 2021

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

# **Members' Statements**

Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore, made a statement regarding Alberta's economic recovery.

MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting homelessness and affordable housing.

Mr. Nixon, Hon. Member for Calgary-Klein, made a statement regarding community efforts across Alberta to help those in need during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding Hanukkah and the need to oppose anti-Semitism and hate.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding climate change.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting affordable housing.

Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding several Government accomplishments benefiting residents of the Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville constituency.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to increase accessibility to COVID-19 vaccinations for children.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement regarding Adoption Awareness Month.

### **Notices of Motions**

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

Bill 87 Electoral Divisions (Calgary-Bhullar-McCall) Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Mr. Nixon

# **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

# Written Questions

The following Written Question was accepted:

WQ5. Asked for by Mr. Bilous:

How much money has been distributed by the Investment and Growth fund, as referenced on page 114 of the 2021/22 Fiscal Plan, since its inception to October 26, 2021, and to whom has that money been distributed?

The following Written Question was rejected:

WQ4. Moved by Mr. Dang on behalf of Mr. Bilous:

How many businesses have qualified for the Alberta Jobs Now Grant since its inception to October 26, 2021, and what are the names of the businesses that qualified for the grant?

#### **Motions for Returns**

The following Motion for a Return was accepted:

MR15. Proposed by Mr. Dang:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence and all other records related to the appointment of the person or persons designated as Acting Premier during the Premier's 2021 summer vacation.

#### Privilege - Intimidating Gesture

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, gave notice of his intention to raise a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding an intimidating gesture made by Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, toward Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Taber-Warner, during debate on Motion for a Return MR14.

The following Motion for a Return was rejected:

MR14. Moved by Mr. Dang:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence, Outlook calendar entries, and other records held by Executive Council related to the Premier's 2021 summer vacation.

The question being put, the motion was defeated. With Mr. Milliken in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 7

Dang	Pancholi	Schmidt
Irwin	Renaud	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Nielsen		

Against the motion: 29

Aheer	Issik	Rowswell
Allard	Jones	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Lovely	Shandro
Ellis	Luan	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Getson	Madu	Smith
Glubish	McIver	Stephan
Gotfried	Neudorf	Toor
Guthrie	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	van Dijken
Hanson	Orr	Williams
Hunter	Reid	

Debate on the following Motion for a Return was adjourned:

MR16. Moved by Mr. Dang on behalf of Mr. Shepherd:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence and briefing materials provided by the office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health to the office of the Minister of Health between July 1, 2021, and August 31, 2021.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

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The Speaker heard from Mr. Yao.

The Speaker advised that, as requested by the Official Opposition Deputy House Leader, he would hear additional arguments during the morning sitting on Tuesday, November 30, 2021.

#### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

524. Moved by Ms Lovely:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the important work of rural veterinarians and explore ways to increase the number of veterinarians serving rural communities.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

#### Adjournment

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 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 80 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 (No. 2) - Hon. Ms Fir

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, on November 23, 2021, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 80, Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 (No. 2), be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship in accordance with Standing Order 74.2. Sessional Paper 897/2020-21

Mr. Sabir moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 81 Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2) - Hon. Mr. Madu

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, on November 16, 2021, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 81, Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2), be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities in accordance with Standing Order 74.2.

Sessional Paper 868/2020-21

Mr. Sabir moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 78 Alberta Housing Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Ms Pon

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, on November 22, 2021, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 78, Alberta Housing Amendment Act, 2021, be not now read a Second time but that the subject matter of the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Families and Communities in accordance with Standing Order 74.2. Sessional Paper 892/2020-21

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The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

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

Bill 78 Alberta Housing Amendment Act, 2021 — Hon. Ms Pon

#### Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:56 p.m. until Tuesday, November 30, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Monday, November 29, 2022