



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 135

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

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

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 77 Municipal Government (Restoring Tax Accountability) Amendment Act,
2021 — Hon. Mr. McIver

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

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 26

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| Dreeshen | Issik | Sigurdson (Highwood) |
| Fir | Jones | Singh |
| Frey | Long | Stephan |
| Getson | Nally | Toor |
| Gotfried | Nicolaides | van Dijken |
| Guthrie | Pon | Walker |
| Hanson | Rowswell | Wilson |
| Horner | Savage | Yaseen |
| Hunter | Schulz | |

Against the motion: 7

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

Bill 80 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 (No. 2) — Hon. Ms Fir

Adjournment

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021 — 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding the Government's affordable housing strategy.

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting schools.

Mr. Guthrie, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Cochrane, made a statement regarding the Bow Valley Grizzlies Rugby Club.

Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting affordability in Alberta.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding sources of pollution in Canada.

Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding Government advanced education policies affecting University of Alberta students.

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement regarding the importance of parental rights concerning COVID-19 vaccinations for children.

Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to act on the Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, made a statement regarding the Government's economic recovery plan.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Twitter post, undated, from the account of Janelle Melenchuk regarding trail signage in Kananaskis Country, relating to comments made by Ms Hoffman during Second Reading debate on Bill 79, Trails Act, on November 30, 2021
Sessional Paper 915/2020-21

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Toronto Star website article dated November 14, 2021, entitled "Scientists say new Alberta trails act threatens already-stressed environment," relating to comments made by MLA Loyola during Second Reading debate on Bill 79, Trails Act, on November 30, 2021
Sessional Paper 916/2020-21

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

Toronto Sun website article dated April 30, 2018, entitled "CRAIG: David Suzuki's carbon footprint is immense"
Sessional Paper 917/2020-21

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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 73 Infrastructure Accountability Act — Hon. Mr. Panda

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, on behalf of Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4(f) as follows:

- (a) in clause (iv) by deleting “and”;
- (b) in clause (v) by adding “and” after “the community and local conditions generally”;
- (c) by adding the following immediately after clause (v):
 - (vi) being a project or program that complies with or is included in either of the following:
 - (A) a statutory plan or growth plan, as each of those expressions is defined in the Municipal Government Act, that applies to that community;
 - (B) the regional plan, as defined in the Alberta Land Stewardship Act, that applies to that community;

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

For the amendment: 6

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| Dach | Gray | Loyola |
| Feehan | Hoffman | Nielsen |

Against the amendment: 30

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| Aheer | Lovely | Sawhney |
| Allard | Luan | Schulz |
| Amery | Madu | Shandro |
| Armstrong-Homeniuk | Nally | Sigurdson (Highwood) |
| Ellis | Nixon (Calgary-Klein) | Smith |
| Glubish | Orr | Stephan |
| Gotfried | Pon | Toews |
| Guthrie | Rehn | Williams |
| Issik | Reid | Wilson |
| LaGrange | Rowswell | Yao |

Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, on behalf of Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4(f) as follows:

- (a) in clause (iv) by deleting “and”;

- (b) in clause (v) by adding “and” after “the community and local conditions generally”;
- (c) by adding the following immediately after clause (v):
 - (vi) furthering reconciliation between the community and Indigenous peoples and their communities;

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

For the amendment: 6

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| Dach | Gray | Loyola |
| Feehan | Hoffman | Nielsen |

Against the amendment: 31

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| Aheer | Lovely | Rowswell |
| Allard | Luan | Sawhney |
| Amery | Madu | Schulz |
| Armstrong-Homeniuk | McIver | Shandro |
| Ellis | Nally | Sigurdson (Highwood) |
| Fir | Nixon (Calgary-Klein) | Smith |
| Glubish | Orr | Stephan |
| Gotfried | Pon | Toews |
| Guthrie | Rehn | Williams |
| Issik | Reid | Yao |
| LaGrange | | |

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, on behalf of Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4(f) as follows:

- (a) in clause (iv) by deleting “and”;
- (b) in clause (v) by adding “and” after “the community and local conditions generally”;
- (c) by adding the following immediately after clause (v):
 - (vi) improving the community's sustainability through reducing its overall greenhouse gas emissions;

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

For the amendment: 5

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| Dach | Gray | Nielsen |
| Feehan | Loyola | |

Against the amendment: 33

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| Aheer | LaGrange | Rowswell |
| Allard | Loewen | Sawhney |
| Amery | Lovely | Schulz |
| Armstrong-Homeniuk | Luan | Shandro |
| Copping | Madu | Sigurdson (Highwood) |
| Ellis | Nally | Smith |
| Fir | Nixon (Calgary-Klein) | Stephan |
| Glubish | Orr | Toews |
| Gotfried | Pon | Williams |
| Guthrie | Rehn | Wilson |
| Issik | Reid | Yao |

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 73 Infrastructure Accountability Act — Hon. Mr. Panda

Mr. Gotfried, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 73 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-South) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 918/2020-21

Amendment to Bill 73 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-South) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 919/2020-21

Amendment to Bill 73 (A3) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-South) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 920/2020-21

Amendment to Bill 73 (A4) (Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley) —
Defeated
Sessional Paper 921/2020-21

Second Reading

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

Debated continued on the amendment introduced by Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, on November 30, 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 because the Assembly is of the view that consultation with stakeholders and Albertans on the proposed legislative amendments is required.
Sessional Paper 913/2020-21

Debate adjourned on the amendment, Ms Hoffman speaking.

Adjournment

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Motions

108. Moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2021 Fall Sitting of the Assembly be extended beyond the first Thursday in December until such time as, or when, the Government House Leader advises the Assembly that the business for the sitting is concluded and at such time the Assembly stands adjourned.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

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

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported:

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 79 Trails Act — Hon. Mr. Nixon

Bill 80 Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 (No. 2) — Hon. Ms Fir

Mr. Singh, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 79 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 922/2020-21

Amendment to Bill 79 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar) —
Adjourned

Sessional Paper 923/2020-21

Amendment to Bill 80 (A1) (Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West on behalf
of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 924/2020-21

Government Motions

104. Oral notice having been given November 29, 2021, moved by Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

1. condemn David Suzuki's comments on pipelines as reported by the National Post,
2. condemn any comments made calling for the intentional destruction of energy infrastructure, and
3. unequivocally condemn incitements of violent eco-terrorism.

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, on November 30, 2021, that the motion be amended by

(a) striking out “and” at the end of section 2, and

(b) adding the following immediately after section 3:

4. express solidarity with the 20 First Nations Band Councils and their communities situated along the approved route of the Coastal GasLink pipeline project, including those representing Wet'suwet'en people, in their negotiations for project agreements that would support those communities,

5. express its support for the Coastal GasLink pipeline project and the LNG Canada project, and
6. express its opposition to illegal activities that seek to disrupt the construction of the Coastal GasLink pipeline project.

Sessional Paper 912/2020-21

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

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Debated continued on the amendment introduced by Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, on November 30, 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 because the Assembly is of the view that consultation with stakeholders and Albertans on the proposed legislative amendments is required.

Sessional Paper 913/2020-21

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the main motion.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, on behalf of Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, moved 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 it be read a Second time this day six months hence.

Sessional Paper 925/2020-21

A debate followed on the amendment.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

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

For the amendment: 7

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| Ceci | Pancholi | Schmidt |
| Dang | Phillips | Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview) |
| Irwin | | |

Against the amendment: 26

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| Allard | Jones | Smith |
| Amery | LaGrange | Stephan |
| Copping | Long | Toews |
| Dreeshen | Nally | Toor |
| Fir | Nicolaides | Turton |
| Frey | Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) | van Dijken |
| Getson | Orr | Walker |
| Hunter | Schulz | Yaseen |
| Issik | Singh | |

The question being immediately put on the motion for Second Reading, the motion was agreed to. With Mr. Milliken in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 26

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| Allard | Jones | Smith |
| Amery | LaGrange | Stephan |
| Copping | Long | Toews |
| Dreeshen | Nally | Toor |
| Fir | Nicolaides | Turton |
| Frey | Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) | van Dijken |
| Getson | Orr | Walker |
| Hunter | Schulz | Yaseen |
| Issik | Singh | |

Against the motion: 7

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| Ceci | Pancholi | Schmidt |
| Dang | Phillips | Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview) |
| Irwin | | |

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

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:02 a.m. Thursday, December 2, 2021, until 9:00 a.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, December 1, 2021