

No. 8

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Monday, March 14, 2022

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

Speaker's Statement – Commonwealth Day

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of Commonwealth Day. To commemorate the occasion, the Members received a copy of Her Majesty The Queen's message.

Members' Statements

Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding recently announced enhanced prenatal benefits for vulnerable women.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to address high utility costs.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie-East, made a statement regarding the ethical value of Alberta oil and the United States' recent ban on Russian oil and gas.

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday, made a statement regarding the need for Albertans to have access to affordable high-speed Internet.

Mr. Reid, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement recognizing the contributions of healthcare workers.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting front-line healthcare workers.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding Government efforts to increase access to emergency medical services.

MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the ongoing protests in Calgary's Beltline neighbourhood.

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock, made a statement regarding comments and actions of the Prime Minister of Canada with respect to democracy.

Notices of Motions

Pursuant to Government Motion 7, agreed to on February 23, 2022, Hon. Mr. Nixon, Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that there would be no evening sitting today.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 201 Eastern Slopes Protection Act — Ms Notley

Ms Notley, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 74.11(1) in order to proceed immediately to Second Reading consideration of Bill 201, Eastern Slopes Protection Act.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung:

Global News website article dated March 13, 2022, entitled "High fuel prices in Alberta forcing reduction in inter-city bus service, increase in ticket prices"

Sessional Paper 22/2022

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Shandro, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General:

Alberta Human Rights Commission Annual Report 2020-21

Sessional Paper 23/2022

Pursuant to the Statutes Repeal Act, cS-19.3, s2(1), report, undated, entitled "Statutes Appeal Act – 2022 List"

Sessional Paper 24/2022

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

College and Association of Respiratory Therapists of Alberta Annual Report 2020-2021

Sessional Paper 25/2022

Alberta College of Paramedics 2020-2021 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 26/2022

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Motions Other Than Government Motions

502. Moved by Mr. Guthrie:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to

- (a) support research into the adverse effects of the anti-malarial drug Mefloquine, sold under the brand name Lariam;
- (b) work with the federal government and other provincial governments to encourage the adoption of safe anti-malarial treatments; and
- (c) express support for Canadian veterans suffering with the effects of post-traumatic stress disorder resulting from the use of Mefloquine.

A debate followed.

Mr. Rutherford, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont, moved that the motion be amended in clause (c) by striking out "post-traumatic stress disorder" and substituting "quinism".

Sessional Paper 27/2022

A debate followed on the amendment.

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.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 4 Municipal Government (Face Mask and Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Bylaws) Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Nally on behalf of Hon. Mr. McIver

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker