



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 10

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Neudorf, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the federal government's policies affecting Canada's inflation rate.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, made a statement regarding Government policies that increase the cost of living in Alberta.

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding the proposed Budget 2022 including increased funding for veterinary medicine training.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding the proposed kindergarten to grade 6 curriculum.

Ms Rosin, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, made a statement recognizing Alberta's farmers and ranchers.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding Government policies and the need to address challenges facing the agriculture sector.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to make strategic investments in the constituency of Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the need to address the increase in deaths of children and youth in the child intervention system.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement regarding Alberta's sister province Hokkaido, Japan.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Rutherford, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, presented the following report:

In accordance with Standing Order 99, the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills has reviewed the petitions that were presented to the Assembly on March 10, 2022, and I can advise the Assembly that the petitions comply with Standing Orders 90 to 94.

Notices of Motions

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, gave oral notice of the intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur that

- (a) residential, farm and small commercial electricity and gas utility consumers in Alberta are experiencing record-high utility costs,
- (b) the Government of Alberta's proposed \$150 rebate over three months is likely not sufficient to prevent Albertans from being unable to afford these costs, which will result in disconnection of these customers' services,
- (c) the current rules under the Distribution Tariff Regulation and rules established by the Alberta Utilities Commission will allow for service providers to disconnect these customers' utility services starting on April 15, 2022, and
- (d) the legislated protection for all residential, farms and small businesses in Alberta is necessary to prevent these Albertans from being forced into undue hardship and further turmoil through the loss of their utilities due to unaffordable utility costs.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 5 Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mrs. Sawhney

Motions Under Standing Order 42

Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

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- (d) the legislated protection for all residential, farms and small businesses in Alberta is necessary to prevent these Albertans from being forced into undue hardship and further turmoil through the loss of their utilities due to unaffordable utility costs.

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

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 2:57 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2022 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Motions

12. Oral notice having been given March 8, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Copping on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nixon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) recognize that the current air travel restrictions imposed by the Government of Canada have no measurable public health benefit and continue to impact hundreds of thousands of jobs in the air travel and tourism sectors, and
- (b) call on the Government of Canada to revoke
 - (i) its proof of vaccination requirement for airline passengers, and

- (ii) its pre-departure COVID-19 testing requirement for international airline passengers entering Canada.

A debate followed.

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: 25

Aheer	Long	Orr
Allard	Lovely	Panda
Barnes	Luan	Reid
Copping	Madu	Rowswell
Ellis	McIver	Sawhney
Gotfried	Neudorf	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Hanson	Nicolaides	Smith
Issik	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Stephan
Loewen		

Against the motion: 5

Carson	Feehan	Sabir
Eggen	Loyola	

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Ms Issik, Associate Minister of Status of Women, the Assembly adjourned at 9:04 p.m. until Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker