



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 20

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Tuesday, April 19, 2022

The Speaker took the Chair at 10:00 a.m.

Introduction of New Member

The Speaker invited Hon. Ms Issik, Associate Minister of Status of Women, to proceed to the main doors of the Chamber and escort Mr. Jean into the Chamber.

The Speaker announced that he had received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche containing the results of the by-election conducted on March 15, 2022, which states that a by-election was conducted in the constituency of Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche and that Mr. Brian Jean was duly elected as the Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche.

Mr. Jean joined Hon. Ms Issik and was escorted to the Mace. Hon. Ms Issik presented Mr. Jean to the Speaker, and the Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche took his seat in the Assembly.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 2 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 10 Health Professions (Protecting Women and Girls) Amendment Act, 2022 —
Mrs. Aheer

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Sabir speaking.

Adjournment

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022 — 1:30 PM

ROUTINE

Members' Statements

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

Mr. Neudorf, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the proposed kindergarten to grade 6 curriculum.

Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding her motivation for seeking public office.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding New Democratic Party policies and views.

Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding Bill 15, Education (Reforming Teacher Profession Discipline) Amendment Act, 2022.

Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, made a statement regarding rising automobile insurance rates.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding Cancer Awareness Month.

Mr. Stephan, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding unity among Albertans.

Mr. Neudorf, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the high demand for rural family physicians.

Notices of Motions

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

Bill 18 Utility Commodity Rebate Act — Hon. Mr. Nally

Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, gave oral notice of the intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly acknowledge that following the Government's removal of the cap on insurance rate increases and as shown in the Superintendent of Insurance 2020 Annual Report

- (a) Albertans have paid approximately \$385 million more in premiums to profitable insurance companies in 2020 than the previous year, and
- (b) during this same period, the difference between the premiums that insurance companies collected and the claims that insurance companies paid out increased from \$1.151 billion to \$1.324 billion;

Be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately establish a committee of the Assembly

- (a) to examine the reasons causing these increases to insurance premiums, and
- (b) to provide recommendations to the Assembly in respect of the Government's options that it could undertake to reduce these costs for Albertans.

Privilege – Intimidating the Assembly

Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley, gave oral notice of the intention to raise a purported question of privilege under Standing Order 15 regarding threatening statements made by the Government House Leader in the Assembly on March 31, 2022, related to changing the Standing Orders.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 16 Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Toews

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Wilson, Minister of Indigenous Relations, pursuant to the Metis Settlements Act, cM-14, s211(2):

Metis Settlements Appeal Tribunal Annual Report 2021

Sessional Paper 59/2022

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Glubish, Minister of Service Alberta, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-25, s86:

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Annual Report 2020-2021
Sessional Paper 60/2022

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Schulz, Minister of Children's Services:

Responses to questions raised by Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, and Mr. Loewen, Hon. Member for Central Peace-Notley, March 8, 2022, Ministry of Children's Services, 2022-23 Main Estimates debate
Sessional Paper 61/2022

Privilege – Intimidating the Assembly

The Speaker advised that this matter will be deferred in accordance with Standing Order 15(4).

Motions Under Standing Order 42

Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly acknowledge that following the Government's removal of the cap on insurance rate increases and as shown in the Superintendent of Insurance 2020 Annual Report

- (a) Albertans have paid approximately \$385 million more in premiums to profitable insurance companies in 2020 than the previous year, and
- (b) during this same period, the difference between the premiums that insurance companies collected and the claims that insurance companies paid out increased from \$1.151 billion to \$1.324 billion;

Be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately establish a committee of the Assembly

- (a) to examine the reasons causing these increases to insurance premiums, and
- (b) to provide recommendations to the Assembly in respect of the Government's options that it could undertake to reduce these costs for Albertans.

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

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 13 Financial Innovation Act — Hon. Mr. Toews

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 11 Continuing Care Act — Hon. Mr. Copping

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Ms Phillips speaking.

Adjournment

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 12 Trustee Act — Mr. Amery on behalf of Hon. Mr. Shandro

A debate followed.

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

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 2 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Bill 9 Public's Right to Know Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Bill 10 Health Professions (Protecting Women and Girls) Amendment Act, 2022
— Mrs. Aheer

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Ms Issik, Associate Minister of Status of Women, the Assembly adjourned at 10:11 p.m. until Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker