



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 4

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Monday, December 5, 2022

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

Members' Statements

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding the Government's recent financial announcements to address affordability in Alberta.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, and its potential effects on attracting investment in the Industrial Heartland.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Dallas Boyko.

Hon. Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding Financial Literacy Month.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding the International Day for Persons with Disabilities.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the Government's recent financial announcements to address affordability in Alberta.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding provincial autonomy.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Williams, Deputy Chair, Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee, presented the following:

Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee,
Report of the Committee, Thirtieth Legislature, Fourth Session, December 2022
Sessional Paper 17/2022

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motions:

12. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly
- (a) concur in the report of the Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee tabled on December 5, 2022 (Sessional Paper 17/2022); and
 - (b) recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Kevin Brezinski be appointed as Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner for the Province of Alberta for a five-year term commencing on December 30, 2022.
13. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Second Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, gave oral notice of the intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly
- (a) acknowledge the adverse impact on families with children receiving pediatric respite healthcare services at the Rotary Flames House by pausing care in an attempt to meet the rising unmet patient needs at Alberta Children's Hospital; and
 - (b) urge the Government to immediately table an action plan that will, in an expeditious manner, ensure that these pediatric respite healthcare services are fully resumed at the Rotary Flames House.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Theatre Network playbill, undated, entitled “The Innocence of Trees by Eugene Stickland, World Premiere November 22 to December 11, 2022”

Sessional Paper 18/2022

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader:

Calgary Herald website article dated December 5, 2022, entitled “Braid: Dictatorial, unworkable sovereignty act may be worst legislation in Alberta history”

Sessional Paper 19/2022

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

Globe and Mail website article dated December 5, 2022, entitled “Danielle Smith’s Sovereignty Act is a silly political dare, written in crayon”

Sessional Paper 20/2022

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock:

Letter dated November 28, 2022, from Gunter Jochum, President, Western Canadian Wheat Growers to Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock, expressing concern regarding the federal government’s commitment to reduce Canada’s fertilizer emissions

Sessional Paper 21/2022

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Page Biographies, Legislative Assembly of Alberta, 30th Legislature, Fourth Session, Fall Session 2022

Sessional Paper 22/2022

Motions Under Standing Order 42

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) acknowledge the adverse impact on families with children receiving pediatric respite healthcare services at the Rotary Flames House by pausing care in an attempt to meet the rising unmet patient needs at Alberta Children’s Hospital; and
- (b) urge the Government to immediately table an action plan that will, in an expeditious manner, ensure that these pediatric respite healthcare services are fully resumed at the Rotary Flames House.

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

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 201 Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act — Hon. Ms Notley

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Health, moved that, pursuant to Standing Order 8(8), the Legislative Assembly defer further consideration of Bill 201, Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act, at Second Reading until December 21, 2022, or until the first day for consideration of Private Members' business after that date.

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

For the motion: 32

Amery	Loewen	Schow
Copping	Long	Schulz
Ellis	Lovely	Singh
Fir	McIver	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Glubish	Milliken	Toews
Hanson	Nally	Toor
Horner	Neudorf	Turton
Hunter	Nicolaides	van Dijken
Issik	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Williams
Jean	Rutherford	Wilson
LaGrange	Savage	

Against the motion: 9

Dach	Gray	Notley
Deol	Irwin	Renaud
Ganley	Nielsen	Shepherd

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

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act,
2022 — Mr. Williams

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: 37

Amery	Long	Savage
Dach	Madu	Schow
Deol	McIver	Schulz
Fir	Milliken	Shepherd
Glubish	Nally	Singh
Gray	Neudorf	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Guthrie	Nicolaides	Stephan
Hanson	Nielsen	Toews
Horner	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Toor
Hunter	Pitt	Turton
Irwin	Renaud	van Dijken
Issik	Rutherford	Williams
Jean		

Against the motion: 0

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

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act,
2022 — Mr. Williams

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Ms Renaud:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to

- (a) immediately investigate the recent increases in grocery prices and lack of competition in the grocery market in Alberta and report its findings to the Assembly no later than January 15, 2023; and
- (b) amend the Consumer Protection Act to clarify that the practice of price gouging is unfair and, as such, is subject to investigation by Service Alberta's Consumer Investigations Unit.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 15

Dach	Milliken	Savage
Deol	Nally	Shepherd
Glubish	Neudorf	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Gray	Nielsen	Toor
Irwin	Renaud	Turton

Against the motion: 18

Amery	Loewen	Schow
Fir	Madu	Singh
Horner	McIver	Stephan
Hunter	Nicolaides	Toews
Issik	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	van Dijken
Jean	Rutherford	Williams

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:01 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 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 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Hon. Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, on December 1, 2022, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the Bill is negatively impacting investment decisions and the Alberta economy and should not proceed in order to protect the economic well-being of Albertans.

Sessional Paper 16/2022

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

For the amendment: 9

Bilous	Feehan	Sabir
Carson	Goehring	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eggen	Loyola	Sweet

Against the amendment: 26

Amery	Jones	Shandro
Copping	LaGrange	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Dreeshen	Luan	Toews
Ellis	McIver	van Dijken
Glubish	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Walker
Guthrie	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Williams
Hanson	Orr	Wilson
Horner	Pon	Yaseen
Issik	Savage	

Debate continued on the main motion.

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the Government has failed to adequately consult with non-profit organizations and municipalities on the potential risks this Bill presents to federal funding for their projects including critical infrastructure and housing initiatives.

Sessional Paper 23/2022

A debate followed on the amendment.

Hon. Ms Sigurdson moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, the Assembly adjourned at 12:54 a.m. Tuesday, December 6, 2022, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker