

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 20

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, March 16, 2023

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of Edmonton Police Service Constables Travis Jordan and Brett Ryan, who were tragically killed in the line of duty on the morning of March 16, 2023.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Ellis, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services, made a statement regarding Edmonton Police Service Constables Travis Jordan and Brett Ryan, who were tragically killed in the line of duty on March 16, 2023.

Hon. Ms Notley, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the affordability of vehicle insurance premiums.

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the tragic loss of two Edmonton Police Service Constables who were killed in the line of duty on March 16, 2023.

Hon. Ms Issik, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement regarding the Transition to Adulthood Program.

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding the value of investing in Edmonton.

Hon. Ms Pon, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington, made a statement regarding the tragic loss of two Edmonton Police Service Constables who were killed in the line of duty on March 16, 2023.

Hon. Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding federal government policies impacting the oil and gas industry.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding Bill 9, Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Williams, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following petition for Private Bills:

of Dr. Shawn Flynn, President of St. Joseph's College for the St. Joseph's College Amendment Act, 2023

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Message From Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following documents pursuant to the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, cF-14.7, ss1(2) and 4(5):

2022-23 Supplementary Supply Estimates, General Revenue Fund Sessional Paper 106/2022-23

2022-23 Fiscal Plan Update

Sessional Paper 107/2022-23

Government Motions

23. Moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

Be it resolved that the Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2022-23 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.



24. Moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 61(2), the Committee of Supply shall be called to consider the 2022-23 Supplementary Supply Estimates for three hours on Monday, March 20, 2023.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for Committee of Supply this afternoon, including for the first division.

Committee of Supply (Main Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

Mr. van Dijken, Chair, Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future has reviewed the 2023-24 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Executive Council; Advanced Education; Culture; Forestry, Parks and Tourism; Infrastructure; Jobs, Economy and Northern Development; Skilled Trades and Professions; Technology and Innovation; and Trade, Immigration and Multiculturalism.

Ms Lovely, Chair, Standing Committee on Families and Communities, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Families and Communities has reviewed the 2023-24 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Children's Services; Education; Health; Justice; Mental Health and Addiction; Public Safety and Emergency Services; Seniors, Community and Social Services; and Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction.

Mr. Hanson, Chair, Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship has reviewed the 2023-24 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Affordability and Utilities; Agriculture and Irrigation; Energy; Environment and Protected Areas; Indigenous Relations; Municipal Affairs; Transportation and Economic Corridors; and Treasury Board and Finance.

The question being put on the resolutions for the 2023-24 Government Estimates, General Revenue Fund for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024, the motion was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 37

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| Allard | Lovely | Savage |
| Amery | Madu | Sawhney |
| Dreeshen | Nally | Schow |
| Fir | Neudorf | Sigurdson (Highwood) |
| Getson | Nixon (Calgary-Klein) | Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon) |
| Glubish | Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) | Stephan |
| Gotfried | Orr | Toews |
| Guthrie | Panda | Turton |
| Hanson | Pon | van Dijken |
| Hunter | Reid | Williams |
| LaGrange | Rosin | Yaseen |
| Loewen | | |
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Against the motion: 8

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

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mrs. Pitt reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions relating to the 2023-24 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, General Revenue Fund, and the 2023-24 Government Estimates, General Revenue Fund, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to His Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024:

| Support to the Legislative Assembly | \$76,763,000 |
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| Office of the Auditor General | \$29,620,000 |
| Office of the Ombudsman | \$4,480,000 |
| Office of the Chief Electoral Officer | \$42,397,000 |
| Office of the Ethics Commissioner | \$1,000,000 |
| Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner | \$8,534,000 |
| Office of the Child and Youth Advocate | \$16,205,000 |
| Office of the Public Interest Commissioner | \$1,410,000 |

| Advanced Education | |
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| Expense | \$2,416,985,000 |
| Capital Investment Financial Transactions | \$25,000 \$1,060,100,000 |
| Affordability and Utilities | |
| Expense Capital Investment Financial Transactions | \$87,128,000 \$25,000 \$96,970,000 |
| Agriculture and Irrigation | |
| Expense Capital Investment | \$679,936,000 \$7,177,000 |
| Children's Services | |
| Expense Capital Investment | \$2,319,912,000 \$10,000,000 |
| Culture | |
| Expense Capital Investment Financial Transactions | \$301,380,000 \$2,331,000 \$1,710,000 |
| Education | |
| Expense Capital Investment Financial Transactions | \$5,479,943,000 \$565,000 \$18,920,000 |
| Energy | |
| Expense Capital Investment | \$571,581,000 \$1,000,000 |
| Environment and Protected Areas | |
| Expense Capital Investment Financial Transactions | \$553,936,000 \$59,396,000 \$100,000 |
| Executive Council | |
| Expense Capital Investment | \$35,245,000 \$25,000 |
| Forestry, Parks and Tourism | |
| Expense Capital Investment Financial Transactions | \$397,957,000 \$85,110,000 \$1,310,000 |

| Health | |
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| Expense | \$25,037,760,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$28,865,000 |
| Financial Transactions | \$88,876,000 |
| Indigenous Relations | |
| Expense | \$225,693,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$25,000 |
| Infrastructure | |
| Expense | \$477,704,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$1,692,856,000 |
| Financial Transactions | \$28,114,000 |
| Jobs, Economy and Northern Development | |
| Expense | \$249,693,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$1,970,000 |
| Justice | |
| Expense | \$648,842,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$17,816,000 |
| Mental Health and Addiction | |
| Expense | \$275,005,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$25,000 |
| Municipal Affairs | |
| Expense | \$993,931,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$600,000 |
| Public Safety and Emergency Services | |
| Expense | \$1,107,941,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$6,275,000 |
| Financial Transactions | \$4,196,000 |
| Seniors, Community and Social Services | |
| Expense | \$5,066,076,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$4,072,000 |
| Financial Transactions | \$19,700,000 |
| Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction | |
| Expense | \$143,677,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$45,520,000 |
| Financial Transactions | \$5,500,000 |

| Skilled Trades and Professions | |
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| Expense | \$218,811,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$25,000 |
| Technology and Innovation | |
| Expense | \$948,075,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$112,385,000 |
| Trade, Immigration and Multiculturalism | |
| Expense | \$85,874,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$25,000 |
| Transportation and Economic Corridors | |
| Expense | \$1,722,148,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$1,837,114,000 |
| Financial Transactions | \$134,644,000 |
| Treasury Board and Finance | |
| Expense | \$240,261,000 |
| Capital Investment | \$25,000 |
| Contingency | \$1,500,000,000 |

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 11 Appropriation Act, 2023 (\$) - Hon. Mr. Toews

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:19 p.m. until Monday, March 20, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Thursday, March 16, 2023