

No. 24

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Thirtieth Legislature

Thursday, March 23, 2023

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

Speaker's Statement - Staff of the Legislative Assembly Office

The Speaker made a statement recognizing the staff of the Legislative Assembly Office and their accomplishments during the 30th Legislature.

Members' Statements

Hon. MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the Canada Pension Plan.

Hon. Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont, made a statement regarding Government investment in affordable housing.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement regarding Government action to support families looking to adopt children.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the Government's actions during the 30th Legislature.

Mr. Rehn, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement recognizing forestry workers.

Hon. Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding Ramadan.

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement recognizing members of the New Democratic Party caucus who will not be seeking re-election.

Speaker's Statement – Pages of the Assembly

The Speaker made a statement recognizing the Pages who would not be returning for the next sitting of the Legislature and read a letter from the departing Pages.

Presenting Petitions

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, on behalf of Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, presented a petition from 30 Albertans urging the Legislative Assembly to express its support for the people of Ukraine and to express its opposition to the Russian occupation of Ukraine and the unprovoked Russian attack on the Ukrainian people.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Oral notice having been given March 22, 2023:

Bill 208 Municipal Government (Tourism Community Designation) Amendment Act, 2023 — Ms Rosin

Bill 209 Animal Protection (Prevention of Animal Neglect) Amendment Act, 2023

— Mr. Walker

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Smith, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s20(2):

Report of the Auditor General, March 2023

Sessional Paper 112/2022-23

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Petition containing 376 signatures requesting that condominium owners be eligible for the Government's utility rebate program

Sessional Paper 113/2022-23

Petition containing 639 signatures requesting that condominium owners be eligible for the Government's Affordability Action Plan

Sessional Paper 114/2022-23

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall:

Petition containing approximately 900 signatures requesting that the Government recognize the benefits to Albertans of remaining in the Canada Pension Plan Sessional Paper 115/2022-23

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Jeremy Nixon, Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services, pursuant to the Advocate for Persons with Disabilities Act, cA-5.5, s4(2):

Advocate for Persons with Disabilities Annual Report 2021-2022 Sessional Paper 116/2022-23

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of the afternoon.

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: 36

AheerHunterRosinAllardIssikRowswellAmeryLaGrangeRutherfordArmstrong-HomeniukLoewenSavageDreeshenLongSchow

Fir Lovely Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)

Getson Madu Stephan Glubish McIver Toews Gotfried Nally Turton Guthrie Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre) Wilson Hanson Rehn Yao Horner Reid Yaseen

Against the motion: 6

DachIrwinPancholiHoffmanNielsenSabir

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

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

Bill 12 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Speaker's Statement – 30th Legislature

The Speaker gave a statement providing sessional statistics and facts regarding the 30th Legislature.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 25, agreed to on March 22, 2023, and on advice by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, to the Assembly that the business for the 2023 Spring Sitting is concluded, the Assembly adjourned at 3:34 p.m. until October 2023.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker