



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 5

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Monday, November 6, 2023

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

The Speaker paid tribute and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member Ken Lemke, Member for Stony Plain, 2012 to 2015, who passed away on July 14, 2023.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas, made a statement regarding the federal carbon tax and recently announced exemptions on home heating oil.

Hon. Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(8), Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, provided notice to the Assembly that the Daily Routine shall continue beyond 3:00 p.m.

Members' Statements

Mr. Rowsell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding heat pumps and the federal carbon tax.

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the Canada Pension Plan and a proposed alternative Alberta pension plan.

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement recognizing the achievements of Dr. Robert McKeon.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding the recent United Conservative Party annual general meeting.

Mr. Boitchenko, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, made a statement regarding Government support for local food banks.

MLA Eremenko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding the opioid crisis.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Oral notice having been given November 2, 2023:

Bill 7 Engineering and Geoscience Professions Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mrs. Sawhney

Notice having been given:

Bill 203 Foreign Credential Advisory Committee Act — Mr. Dyck

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung:

Report dated September 29, 2021, entitled “The Process, Advantages and Risks of Heating with Oil,” prepared by Enviro Urgence Leader in Environmental Services in Quebec

Sessional Paper 26/2023

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

E-mail message dated October 31, 2023, from Don and Debbie of Camrose to Hon. Ms Phillips, expressing concern regarding a proposed Alberta pension plan

Sessional Paper 27/2023

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Report, undated, entitled “Fighting Hunger in Edmonton, 2023 Beyond Food Revisited, Client Survey,” prepared by Edmonton’s Food Bank

Sessional Paper 28/2023

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Special Areas Act, cS-16, s19(2):

Special Areas Trust Account Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2022

Sessional Paper 29/2023

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Ellis, Deputy Premier, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services:

Law Enforcement Review Board 2022 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 30/2023

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 Alberta Health Care Insurance (Access Fees) Amendment Act, 2023 —
MLA Brar

A debate followed.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 201, Alberta Health Care Insurance (Access Fees) Amendment Act, 2023, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the Government already has the tools necessary to ensure compliance with the Canada Health Act and maintain a publicly funded healthcare system in Alberta.

Sessional Paper 31/2023

A debate followed on the amendment.

Debate adjourned on the amendment, Mr. Getson speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Ms Al-Guneid:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide certainty to individuals and businesses investing in Alberta by introducing a Bill, the purpose of which is to prevent disruptions to investment as occurred when the Government imposed a moratorium on authorizations for renewable energy projects in August 2023, and that, if enacted, would prohibit the Government from suspending or pausing an application, assessment or approval for a proposed project on the basis that the Government is reviewing existing projects, applications, assessments or approval processes.

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: 36

Al-Guneid	Eremenko	Loyola
Arcand-Paul	Ganley	Metz
Batten	Goehring	Pancholi
Boparai	Gray	Phillips
Brar	Haji	Renaud
Calahoo Stonehouse	Hayter	Sabir
Ceci	Hoffman	Schmidt
Chapman	Hoyle	Shepherd
Dach	Ip	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Deol	Irwin	Sweet
Eggen	Kasawski	Tejada
Ellingson	Kayande	Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)

Against the motion: 45

Amery	Jean	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Jones	Schow
Boitchenko	LaGrange	Schulz
Bouchard	Loewen	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Cyr	Long	Sinclair
de Jonge	Lovely	Singh
Dreeshen	Lunty	Stephan
Dyck	McDougall	Turton
Ellis	McIver	van Dijken
Fir	Nally	Wiebe
Getson	Neudorf	Williams
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson
Guthrie	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Horner	Petrovic	Yao
Hunter	Rowswell	Yaseen

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 6:17 p.m. until Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker