

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 41

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Thursday, April 18, 2024

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 the death of former Member Moe Amery, Member for Calgary-East, 1993 to 2015, who passed away on October 19, 2023.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Amery, Minister of Justice, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of former Member Moe Amery.

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

MLA Batten, Hon. Member for Calgary-Acadia, made a statement regarding the need for more Government support for Alberta's neonatal intensive care system.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of former Member Moe Amery.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding Bill 18, Provincial Priorities Act.

Mr. McDougall, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding Government action to support Alberta's education system.

MLA Hoyle, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding the need for Government to fund construction of a new hospital in south Edmonton.

MLA Eremenko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding the importance of focusing on drug-use prevention, especially with respect to young people.

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.

Notices of Motions

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

Bill 19 Utilities Affordability Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 - Hon. Mr. Neudorf

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 207 Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Education (Valuing Skilled Workers) Amendment Act, 2024 — MLA Hoyle

Tabling Returns and Reports

Dr. Elmeligi, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis:

Copy of a presentation slide entitled "Letters of Support," pertaining to coal development in Alberta, prepared by Valory Resources Inc.

Sessional Paper 326/2023-24

MLA Hoyle, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South:

CTV News website article dated March 1, 2024, entitled "Alberta government mothballing south Edmonton hospital 'senseless': health advocates" Sessional Paper 327/2023-24

Edmonton Journal website article dated April 12, 2024, entitled " 'The cost has gone up substantially': What's behind the pause on south Edmonton hospital" Sessional Paper 328/2023-24

Mr. Wiebe, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Ellis, Deputy Premier, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services:

Page from Government of Canada website entitled "Contract Policing," relating to comments made by Hon. Mr. Ellis during Oral Question Period on April 18, 2024

Sessional Paper 329/2023-24

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Ms Chapman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington:

Edmonton Examiner website article dated April 18, 2024, entitled "Edmonton Public Schools faces financial shortfall from inflation and provincial funding formula"

Sessional Paper 330/2023-24

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood:

Document, undated, entitled "Tenant Experiences"

Sessional Paper 331/2023-24

Tablings to the Clerk

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

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, Mr. Boitchenko, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, and Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, March 14, 2024, Ministry of Public Safety and Emergency Services, 2024-25 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 332/2023-24

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

31. Moved by Hon. Mr. Horner:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly of Alberta approve the arrangement between the Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada, outlined on page 126 of the 2024-27 Fiscal Plan, presented by the President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance to the Legislative Assembly of Alberta on February 29, 2024 (Sessional Paper 211/2023-24), with respect to the implementation by the Government of Canada of a duty on vaping substances to be imposed under the Excise Act (Canada) in respect of Alberta.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 17 Canadian Centre of Recovery Excellence Act - Hon. Mr. Williams

A debate followed.

Mrs. Petrovic moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 13 Real Property Governance Act — Hon. Mr. Guthrie

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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

Bill 13 Real Property Governance Act - Hon. Mr. Guthrie

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Williams, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:22 p.m. until Monday, April 22, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

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