

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

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

Members' Statements

Ms de Jonge, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore, made a statement regarding the Premier's attendance at the Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference.

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding several Government policies and actions that are not aligned with Albertans' interests.

Mr. Bouchard, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement regarding the Workers' Compensation Board.

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement regarding Government policies and actions concerning health care.

Mrs. Johnson, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding the Ponoka Stampede.

MLA Brar, Hon. Member for Calgary-North East, made a statement regarding the lack of Government action to improve the provincial immigration nomination system.

Notices of Motions

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

41. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 22, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2024, 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.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, on behalf of Mr. Haji, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore:

St. Albert Gazette website article dated May 13, 2024, entitled "Alberta's Bill 21 would confuse and complicate emergency response: RMA"

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

Letter dated May 15, 2024, from the Gender and Sexuality Alliances of M.E. LaZerte High School, Steele Heights School, and Londonderry School, to Members of the Legislative Assembly, expressing concern regarding the rise of transphobic and homophobic language in school communities

Sessional Paper 416/2023-24

Ms Chapman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington:

Calgary Herald website article, accessed through PressReader, dated May 22, 2024, entitled "CBE to pull \$2.6M from reserves"

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

37. Oral notice having been given May 21, 2024, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 18, Provincial Priorities Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Schow and Hon. Mr. Sabir commented on the time allocation motion.

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: 47

Amery	Johnson	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	Pitt	Yaseen
Jean	Rowswell	

Against the motion: 18

Boparai	Elmeligi	Loyola
Ceci	Goehring	Pancholi
Chapman	Gray	Renaud
Dach	Ip	Sabir
Deol	Irwin	Schmidt
Eggen	Kasawski	Shepherd

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 20 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 - Hon. Mr. McIver

A debate followed.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, on behalf of Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 20, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2024, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that neither the general public nor municipalities support the amendments proposed by the Bill.

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A debate followed on the amendment.

Pursuant to Government Motion 35, agreed to on May 21, 2024, and Standing Order 21(1), at 4:17 p.m., the question was immediately put on the amendment to the motion for Second Reading of Bill 20, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2024, which was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 17

Boparai	Elmeligi	Pancholi
Ceci	Goehring	Renaud
Chapman	Ip	Sabir
Dach	Irwin	Schmidt
Deol	Kasawski	Shepherd
Eggen	Loyola	

Against the amendment: 46

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

Pursuant to Government Motion 35, agreed to on May 21, 2024, and Standing Order 21(1), at 4:35 p.m., the question was immediately put on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 20, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2024, which was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 46

Amery	Jones	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	LaGrange	Schow
Boitchenko	Loewen	Schulz
Bouchard	Long	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Cyr	Lovely	Sinclair
de Jonge	Lunty	Singh
Dreeshen	McDougall	Stephan
Dyck	McIver	Turton
Ellis	Nally	van Dijken
Fir	Neudorf	Wiebe
Getson	Nicolaides	Williams
Glubish	Nixon	Wilson
Guthrie	Petrovic	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Horner	Pitt	Yao
Jean	Rowswell	Yaseen
Johnson		
Against the motion: 17		

BoparaiElmeligiPancholiCeciGoehringRenaudChapmanIpSabirDachIrwinSchmidtDeolKasawskiShepherd

Loyola

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

Bill 20 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 - Hon. Mr. McIver

Committee of the Whole

Eggen

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

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 18 Provincial Priorities Act - Hon. Ms Smith

Ms Chapman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington, on behalf of MLA Hoyle, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, moved that amendment A1 to the Bill be amended as follows:

- (a) by striking out Part A and substituting the following:
 - A Section 1 is amended as follows:
 - (a) by adding the following immediately after clause (a):
 - (a.1) "Indigenous group" means
 - (i) a band as defined in the Indian Act (Canada),
 - (ii) a Metis settlement,

(iii) the Metis Settlements General Council incorporated by section 214 of the Metis Settlements Act,

(iv) any other group comprised of an aboriginal peoples of Canada within the meaning of section 35(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982,

(v) any incorporated organization that identifies itself as representing a group comprised of an aboriginal peoples of Canada within the meaning of section 35(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982, or

(vi) any other group designated as an Indigenous group in the regulations;

- (b) by striking out clause (c)(iii) and (ix);
- (b) by striking out Part C and substituting the following:
 - C Section 3 is amended
 - (a) in clause (a) by striking out "or provincial entities", and
 - (b) by adding the following immediately after clause (f):

(f.1) designating a group as an Indigenous group for the purposes of this Act;

Pursuant to Government Motion 37, agreed to on May 22, 2024, and Standing Order 21(1), at 5:54 p.m., the question was immediately put on subamendment SA1 to amendment A1 to Bill 18, Provincial Priorities Act, which was defeated. With Mr. van Dijken at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the subamendment: 17			
Boparai	Eggen	Pancholi	
Calahoo Stonehouse	Elmeligi	Renaud	
Ceci	Ip	Sabir	
Chapman	Irwin	Schmidt	
Dach	Kasawski	Shepherd	
Deol	Loyola	1	
Against the subamendment: 45			
Amery	Johnson	Rowswell	
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Jones	Sawhney	
Boitchenko	LaGrange	Schow	
Bouchard	Loewen	Schulz	
Cyr	Long	Sigurdson (Highwood)	
de Jonge	Lovely	Sinclair	
Dreeshen	Lunty	Singh	
Dyck	McDougall	Stephan	
Ellis	McIver	Turton	
Fir	Nally	Wiebe	
Getson	Neudorf	Williams	
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson	
Guthrie	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)	
Horner	Petrovic	Yao	
Jean	Pitt	Yaseen	

Pursuant to Government Motion 37, agreed to on May 22, 2024, and Standing Order 21(1), at 6:11 p.m., the question was immediately put on amendment A1 to Bill 18, Provincial Priorities Act, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 37, agreed to on May 22, 2024, and Standing Order 21(1), at 6:12 p.m., the question was immediately put on the remaining clauses of Bill 18, Provincial Priorities Act, which was agreed to. With Mr. van Dijken at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 44

Amery	Jones	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	LaGrange	Schow
Boitchenko	Loewen	Schulz
Bouchard	Long	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Cyr	Lovely	Sinclair
de Jonge	Lunty	Singh
Dreeshen	McDougall	Stephan
Dyck	McIver	Turton
Ellis	Nally	Wiebe
Fir	Neudorf	Williams
Getson	Nicolaides	Wilson
Glubish	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Guthrie	Petrovic	Yao
Jean	Pitt	Yaseen
Johnson	Rowswell	
Against the motion: 16		
Boparai	Eggen	Loyola
Calahoo Stonehouse	Elmeligi	Pancholi
Ceci	Ip	Renaud
Chapman	Irwin	Sabir
Dach	Kasawski	Shepherd
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Pursuant to Government Motion 37, agreed to on May 22, 2024, and Standing Order 21(1), at 6:16 p.m., the question was immediately put on the title and preamble of Bill 18, Provincial Priorities Act, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 37, agreed to on May 22, 2024, and Standing Order 21(1), at 6:16 p.m., the question was immediately put that Bill 18, Provincial Priorities Act be reported, which was agreed to.

The Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 18 Provincial Priorities Act - Hon. Ms Smith

Ms Pitt, Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 18 (A1) (introduced by the Hon. Minister of Indigenous Relations on May 21, 2024) — Agreed to

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Subamendment to Bill 18 (A1-SA1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-South) — Defeated on division Sessional Paper 419/2023-24

Adjournment

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Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 6:17 p.m. until Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 22, 2024