



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 62

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Lundy, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont, made a statement regarding the federal carbon tax.

Ms Hayter, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont, made a statement regarding Women's History Month.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding Diwali.

Hon. MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the importance of supporting arts and culture in Alberta.

Mr. Boitchenko, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, made a statement regarding a recent memorandum of understanding between Enoch Cree Nation and ARROW Utilities.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding the Government's proposed policies with respect to transgender youth.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Getson, Chair, Select Special Ethics Commissioner and Chief Electoral Officer Search Committee, presented the following report:

Select Special Ethics Commissioner and Chief Electoral Officer Search Committee, Report of the Committee, Chief Electoral Officer Recommendation, Thirty-First Legislature, First Session, October 2024

Sessional Paper 534/2023-24

Notices of Motions

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

49. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the report of the Select Special Ethics Commissioner and Chief Electoral Officer Search Committee (Sessional Paper S.P. 534/2023-24) and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Gordon McClure be appointed as Chief Electoral Officer for the Province of Alberta effective November 18, 2024.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 25 Early Learning and Child Care Amendment Act, 2024 — Hon. Mr. Jones

Bill 28 Meat Inspection Amendment Act, 2024 — Hon. Mr. Sigurdson

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Wright, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat:

National Post website article dated October 27, 2024, entitled “Veterans support groups call for government aid amid expected homeless ‘boom’,” relating to comments made by Mr. Wright during Oral Question Period on October 30, 2024

Sessional Paper 535/2023-24

rdnewsNOW website article dated September 17, 2024, entitled “Province touting achievements of new Fugitive Apprehension Sheriffs Support Team”

Sessional Paper 536/2023-24

Dr. Metz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity:

15 pieces of correspondence addressed to Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, expressing concern regarding the Government’s proposed policies with respect to transgender youth

Sessional Paper 537/2023-24

Ms Chapman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington:

American Academy of Pediatrics article, undated, entitled “The Importance of Access to Comprehensive Sex Education”

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

Report, undated, entitled “The Lived Experiences of Trans & Non-Binary Youth in Alberta,” prepared by Dr. Kristopher Wells, Dr. Teresa Hardy, and Dr. Emilie Maine

Sessional Paper 539/2023-24

Ms Hayter, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont:

E-mail message dated October 27, 2024, from Reverend Tracy Robertson to Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, expressing concern regarding the Government’s proposed policies with respect to transgender youth

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Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, cP-39.5, s33(2):

Office of the Public Interest Commissioner 2023-2024 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 541/2023-24

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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 24 Alberta Bill of Rights Amendment Act, 2024 — Hon. Mr. Amery

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4 by adding the following immediately after clause (b):

(b.1) by adding the following immediately after subsection (1):

(1.1) For the purpose of subsection (1)(a.1), the right to the enjoyment of property includes the right of an individual not to be restricted or prohibited from installing or using a solar energy system that is attached to the individual's property and designed to convert sunlight into electrical energy or solar thermal energy.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 18

Arcand-Paul	Goehring	Pancholi
Brar	Haji	Renaud
Ceci	Hayter	Sabir
Chapman	Hoffman	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Dach	Kasawski	Sweet
Eremenko	Metz	Tejada

Against the amendment: 46

Amery	Johnson	Schow
Armstrong-Homeniuk	LaGrange	Schulz
Boitchenko	Loewen	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Bouchard	Long	Sinclair
Cyr	Lovely	Singh
de Jonge	Lunty	Smith
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	Rowswell	Yao
Hunter	Sawhney	Yaseen
Jean		

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4(b)(iv), in the proposed section 1(1),

- (a) by renumbering clause (j) as clause (k), and
- (b) by adding the following immediately before clause (k):
 - (j) the right of the individual to access comprehensive reproductive healthcare;

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Ms Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 17

Arcand-Paul	Goehring	Renaud
Brar	Haji	Sabir
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And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 24 Alberta Bill of Rights Amendment Act, 2024 — Hon. Mr. Amery

Mr. van Dijken, Deputy 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 24 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall) —
Defeated on division

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Amendment to Bill 24 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora on behalf
of the Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall) — Defeated on division

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Amendment to Bill 24 (A3) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall) —
Adjourned

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Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:56 p.m. until Thursday, October 31, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker