



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Monday, November 25, 2024

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

Members' Statements

Mrs. Johnson, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding the Affordable Housing Partnership Program.

Ms Hayter, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont, made a statement regarding the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

Mr. Wright, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding recent work to improve search and rescue operations across Alberta.

Mr. Ip, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South West, made a statement regarding several Government policies affecting affordability.

Mr. Wiebe, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, made a statement regarding the Government's Passenger Rail Master Plan.

MLA Boparai, Hon. Member for Calgary-Falconridge, made a statement regarding the lack of Government support for commercial drivers.

Notices of Motions

Pursuant to Government Motion 51, agreed to on November 21, 2024, Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, advised the Assembly that there would be no evening sitting today.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Edmonton Journal website article dated November 23, 2024, entitled “Short Term Pain, Then What?”

Sessional Paper 648/2023-24

Poem entitled “Got no place to live – Build Housing! Got no place to live – Not Shelters!” by Maria Kruszewski

Sessional Paper 649/2023-24

Hon. Mr. McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Document dated November 2023, entitled “Resolution 12-23F, Growth Management Board Voluntary Membership,” relating to comments made by Hon. Mr. McIver during Oral Question Period on November 25, 2024

Sessional Paper 650/2023-24

Ms Hayter, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont:

E-mail message dated October 28, 2024, from Lila Webb to Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, expressing concern regarding proposed legislation with respect to transgender youth

Sessional Paper 651/2023-24

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

4 e-mail messages expressing concern regarding proposed legislation with respect to transgender youth

Sessional Paper 652/2023-24

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud:

E-mail message dated November 15, 2024, sender’s name redacted, to Ms Pancholi, expressing concern regarding proposed legislation with respect to transgender youth

Sessional Paper 653/2023-24

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cS-29, ss1(2) and 6(1):

Government of Alberta 2024-25 Second Quarter Fiscal Update and Economic Statement

Sessional Paper 654/2023-24

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were rejected:

MR7. Moved by Mr. Dach:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all documents, reports, studies, and communications, prepared by the Government during the period from May 1, 2019, to March 31, 2024, related to the consideration of raising the speed limit on provincial highways to 120 kilometres per hour.

MR9. Moved by Mr. Dach:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all documents, studies, data and communications prepared by the Government that were considered by the Executive Council in relation to the decision to rescind, on February 28, 2023, the proclamation that would have brought into force on March 1, 2023, the Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2022, which amends the Traffic Safety Act to require drivers in all lanes of traffic going in the same direction on divided highways or travelling in either direction on single lane highways to slow to 60 kilometres per hour when passing stopped vehicles with flashing lamps.

Debate on the following Motion for a Return was adjourned:

MR10. Moved by Ms Wright:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A list showing the number of Albertans, organized by year, paid the basic minimum wage described in section 9(1)(a.1) of the Employment Standards Regulation (AR 14/1997) during the period from June 26, 2019, to March 31, 2024.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Getson speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

517. Moved by Mr. Cyr (replaced):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government of Canada to

(a) recognize the importance of preventing foreign entities from interfering with or influencing the decision-making of governments in Canada, and

(b) take all the necessary steps to protect governments in Canada from foreign interference by strengthening safeguards that protect Canadian sovereignty.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Amery, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:52 p.m. until Tuesday, November 26, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker