



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 86

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Monday, March 17, 2025

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

Members' Statements

Mr. McDougall, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding investments in infrastructure in the proposed Budget 2025.

MLA Hoyle, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding allegations of political interference in Alberta Health Services' procurement practices.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding investments into northern Alberta in the proposed Budget 2025.

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding Social Work Week.

Mr. Wiebe, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, made a statement regarding the negative effects of trade tariffs.

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement regarding the importance of Canadian unity and values.

Notices of Motions

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

Bill 44 Agricultural Operation Practices Amendment Act, 2025 – Hon. Mr. Sigurdson

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Report dated January 2025, entitled “Current State: Critical & Urgent,” prepared by Inclusion Alberta

Sessional Paper 859/2023-25

Ms Hayter, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont:

Global News website article dated March 11, 2025, entitled “Sexual Assault Centre of Edmonton says funding cuts forcing pause on intakes for some services”

Sessional Paper 860/2023-25

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

3 e-mail messages, senders’ names redacted, to Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, and Hon. Mr. Dreeshen, Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors, regarding the Government’s plan for Calgary’s Green Line LRT project

Sessional Paper 861/2023-25

MLA Hoyle, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South:

2 e-mail messages dated February 21, 2025, from Virginia Hartley and Shirley Guenette to Hon. Ms Gray, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, and MLA Hoyle, regarding the need for increased salaries for educational support staff

Sessional Paper 862/2023-25

Ms Chapman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington:

E-mail message dated March 13, 2025, from Amanda Koza to Ms Chapman, regarding the need for increased salaries for educational support staff

Sessional Paper 863/2023-25

MLA Arcand-Paul, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday:

Document dated March 12, 2025, entitled “Reasserting Our Sovereignty: Defending Treaty Nations and Challenging the Government of Canada and Alberta’s Misleading Claims of Authority,” prepared by the Tribes and Nations of Treaty No. 6 Territory

Sessional Paper 864/2023-25

News release dated March 3, 2025, entitled “Treaty 8 Sovereignty – Mikisew Cree First Nation Rejects U.S. Annexation of Canada,” prepared by Chief Billy-Joe Tuccaro, Mikisew Cree First Nation

Sessional Paper 865/2023-25

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud:

Report dated January 2025, entitled “Too Little, Too Late,” prepared by Inclusion Alberta

Sessional Paper 866/2023-25

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

Edmonton Journal website article dated March 13, 2025, entitled “Opinion: Survivors bear brunt of Alberta’s sexual assault centre cuts”

Sessional Paper 867/2023-25

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, pursuant to the Premier’s Council on the Status of Persons with Disabilities Act, cP-21, s7(2):

Premier’s Council on the Status of Persons with Disabilities 2023-24 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 868/2023-25

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than 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 206 Child and Youth Advocate (Parent and Guardian Advisor) Amendment Act, 2024 — Mr. Cyr

The question being put that Bill 206, Child and Youth Advocate (Parent and Guardian Liaison) Amendment Act, 2024*, be reported, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 43

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

Against the motion: 14

Al-Guneid	Hayter	Shepherd
Boparai	Hoffman	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Calahoo Stonehouse	Hoyle	Sweet
Dach	Irwin	Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)
Eremenko	Metz	

And after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 206 Child and Youth Advocate (Parent and Guardian Liaison) Amendment Act, 2024* — Mr. Cyr

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

Amendment to Bill 206 (A1) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul on March 10, 2025) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 833/2023-25

**Title amended by amendment A1*

Motions Other Than Government Motions

519. Moved by Mr. Dach:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize the need for reliable Government project funding to build a modern, effective, and well-planned public transit network that includes complementary and collaborative municipal, regional, and intercity components to meet the critical and essential public transit needs of the province.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, the Assembly adjourned at 5:36 p.m. until Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker