



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 110

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Monday, May 12, 2025

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Wiebe, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, made a statement regarding the Government's freeze on carbon pricing under the Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction Regulation.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding a lack of Government focus on the concerns of Albertans.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the Government's plan for Calgary's Green Line LRT project.

Ms Chapman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington, made a statement regarding the need for Government to increase salaries and classroom support for teachers.

Mr. McDougall, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding the Calgary Stampede.

MLA Brar, Hon. Member for Calgary-North East, made a statement regarding Bill 54, Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025.

Notices of Motions

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

69. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 46, Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
70. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 47, Automobile Insurance Act, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.
71. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 54, Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, 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.
72. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 55, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, 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.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

E-mail message dated May 9, 2025, from Gordon McClure, Chief Electoral Officer, to Hon. Mr. Amery, Minister of Justice, expressing concern regarding Bill 54, Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025

Sessional Paper 1122/2023-25

Report dated February 2025, entitled “Potential Dangers of Blending Hydrogen and Natural Gas in Pipelines,” prepared by Clean Energy Group

Sessional Paper 1123/2023-25

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

Edmonton Journal website article dated May 9, 2025, entitled “Lorne Gunter: Alberta NDP also has ties to company at centre of health-care controversy”

Sessional Paper 1124/2023-25

Edmonton Journal website article dated May 9, 2025, entitled “Read now: The full text of MHCare’s letter to the Alberta government”

Sessional Paper 1125/2023-25

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

Edmonton Journal website article dated May 10, 2025, entitled “Indigenous leaders stand up to separatism”

Sessional Paper 1126/2023-25

Mr. Wiebe, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti:

Letter dated May 12, 2025, from Gary Rycroft, Mayor, Town of Beaverlodge, to Hon. Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, expressing concerns regarding comments made by Hon. Mr. Schmidt in the Assembly on Thursday, May 8, 2025

Sessional Paper 1127/2023-25

Ms Chapman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington:

The Canadian Press website article dated May 10, 2025, entitled “Alberta chief electoral officer warns UCP proposals will hurt investigative ability”

Sessional Paper 1128/2023-25

MLA Miyashiro, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

E-mail message dated March 26, 2025, from Chris Schimanski to Hon. Mr. Neudorf, Minister of Affordability and Utilities, expressing concern regarding Government policies related to Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped

Sessional Paper 1129/2023-25

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Letter dated May 5, 2025, from Gordon McClure, Chief Electoral Officer, to Mr. Getson, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, expressing concern regarding Bill 54, Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025

Sessional Paper 1130/2023-25

Edmonton Journal website article dated May 10, 2025, entitled “If you don’t want private hospitals, speak up”

Sessional Paper 1131/2023-25

Mr. Ellingson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills:

The Canadian Encyclopedia website article dated February 7, 2006, entitled “Royal Bank of Canada (RBC)”

Sessional Paper 1132/2023-25

The Economy Journal website article dated May 12, 2025, entitled “More than 3000 companies have left Catalonia after the referendum”

Sessional Paper 1133/2023-25

Scottish Business UK website article undated, entitled “New ‘Independence Uncovered’ analysis models true cost of taking Scotland out of the UK”

Sessional Paper 1134/2023-25

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

E-mail message dated May 6, 2025, from Andrea Ruether to Hon. Ms Sigurdson, regarding recent actions and comments of Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, with respect to Alberta separatism

Sessional Paper 1135/2023-25

MLA Brar, Hon. Member for Calgary-North East:

Calgary Herald website article dated May 10, 2025, entitled “Watchdog slams Alberta for access to information failures”

Sessional Paper 1136/2023-25

Hon. MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

6 e-mail messages addressed to Hon. MLA Ceci, expressing concern regarding the Social Enterprise Fund declining to renew a loan to the Evergreen Theatre Society

Sessional Paper 1137/2023-25

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre:

Calgary Herald website article dated May 10, 2025, entitled “Smith’s ‘outlet’ for separatists puts party over country

Sessional Paper 1138/2023-25

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 212 Organ and Tissue Donor Information Agreement Act — Dr. Metz

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

Hon. Mr. Amery, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(1), call it 5:00 p.m., and proceed immediately to consideration of Motion Other Than a Government Motion 524.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

524. Moved by Ms Wright:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) recognize that wages for teachers, registered nurses, educational assistants and other public sector workers have not kept pace with the rapid increase in the cost of living over the last four years, and
- (b) urge the Government to consider cost-of-living increases when bargaining with public sector workers for future compensation agreements to ensure that these workers are fairly compensated.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated. With Mr. van Dijken in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 16

Al-Guneid	Hoffman	Renaud
Batten	Hoyle	Shepherd
Boparai	Irwin	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eremenko	Kayande	Sweet
Ganley	Metz	Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)
Hayter		

Against the motion: 43

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

Government Motions

64. Oral notice having been given May 7, 2025, moved by Hon. Mr. Amery on behalf of Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 55, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, 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.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Amery and Hon. Ms Hoffman commented on the time allocation motion.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Mr. van Dijken in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 41

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

Against the motion: 16

Al-Guneid	Hoffman	Renaud
Batten	Hoyle	Shepherd
Boparai	Irwin	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eremenko	Kayande	Sweet
Ganley	Metz	Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)
Hayter		

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 55 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Min. LaGrange

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Government Motion 64, agreed to on May 12, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 5:49 p.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 55, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, which was agreed to. With Ms Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 42

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

Against the motion: 16

Al-Guneid	Hoffman	Renaud
Batten	Hoyle	Shepherd
Boparai	Irwin	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eremenko	Kayande	Sweet
Ganley	Metz	Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)
Hayter		

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

Bill 55 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Min. LaGrange

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:06 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 47 Automobile Insurance Act — Hon. Mr. Horner

Mr. Cyr, Acting 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 47 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 1139/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 47 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Elbow) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 1140/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 47 (A3) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Foothills) —
Defeated
Sessional Paper 1141/2023-25

Third Reading

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

Bill 45 Critical Infrastructure Defence Amendment Act, 2025 – Hon. Mr. Amery

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 43

Amery	Jones	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	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
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson
Horner	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Hunter	Petrovic	Yao
Jean	Rowswell	Yaseen
Johnson		

Against the motion: 16

Arcand-Paul	Elmeligi	Kasawski
Brar	Ganley	Miyashiro
Ceci	Goehring	Pancholi
Chapman	Haji	Sabir
Dach	Ip	Tejada
Eggen		

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

Bill 51 Education Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Nicolaides

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 43

Amery	Jones	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	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
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson
Horner	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Hunter	Petrovic	Yao
Jean	Rowswell	Yaseen
Johnson		

Against the motion: 16

Arcand-Paul	Elmeligi	Kasawski
Brar	Ganley	Miyashiro
Ceci	Gochring	Pancholi
Chapman	Haji	Sabir
Dach	Ip	Tejada
Eggen		

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 45 Critical Infrastructure Defence Amendment Act, 2025 – Hon. Mr. Amery

Bill 51 Education Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Nicolaides

Hon. Mr. Amery, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of the evening sitting, including the first division bell in Committee of the Whole.

Government Motions

65. Moved by Hon. Mr. Amery on behalf of Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 46, Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, 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. Amery and Hon. Ms Ganley commented on the time allocation motion.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Ms Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 42

Amery	Johnson	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Jones	Schow
Bouchard	LaGrange	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
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson
Horner	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Hunter	Petrovic	Yao
Jean	Rowswell	Yaseen

Against the motion: 16

Arcand-Paul	Elmeligi	Kasawski
Brar	Ganley	Miyashiro
Ceci	Goehring	Pancholi
Chapman	Haji	Sabir
Dach	Ip	Tejada
Eggen		

68. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 50, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, 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 Ms Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 43

Amery	Jones	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	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
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson
Horner	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Hunter	Petrovic	Yao
Jean	Rowswell	Yaseen
Johnson		

Against the motion: 16

Arcand-Paul	Elmeligi	Kasawski
Brar	Ganley	Miyashiro
Ceci	Gochring	Pancholi
Chapman	Haji	Sabir
Dach	Ip	Tejada
Eggen		

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 46 Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 – Hon. Mr. Glubish

Pursuant to Government Motion 65, agreed to on May 12, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 10:54 p.m. the question was immediately put on the clauses of Bill 46, Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 65, agreed to on May 12, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 10:54 p.m. the question was immediately put on the title and preamble of Bill 46, Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 65, agreed to on May 12, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 10:54 p.m. the question was immediately put that Bill 46, Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, be reported, which was agreed to. With Mr. Rowsell at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 43

Amery	Jones	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	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
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson
Horner	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Hunter	Petrovic	Yao
Jean	Pitt	Yaseen
Johnson		

Against the motion: 16

Arcand-Paul	Elmeligi	Kasawski
Brar	Ganley	Miyashiro
Ceci	Goehring	Pancholi
Chapman	Haji	Sabir
Dach	Ip	Tejada
Eggen		

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 50 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Minister of Municipal Affairs

Pursuant to Government Motion 68, agreed to on May 12, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:59 p.m. the question was immediately put on the clauses of Bill 50, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 68, agreed to on May 12, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:59 p.m. the question was immediately put on the title and preamble of Bill 50, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 68, agreed to on May 12, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:59 p.m. the question was immediately put that Bill 50, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, be reported, which was agreed to. With Ms Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 42

Amery	Johnson	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Jones	Schow
Bouchard	LaGrange	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
Glubish	Nicolaides	Wilson
Horner	Nixon	Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Hunter	Petrovic	Yao
Jean	Rowswell	Yaseen

Against the motion: 15

Arcand-Paul	Eggen	Kasawski
Brar	Elmeligi	Miyashiro
Ceci	Goehring	Pancholi
Chapman	Haji	Sabir
Dach	Ip	Tejada

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 46 Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 – Hon. Mr. Glubish

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 50 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Minister of Municipal Affairs

Mr. Cyr, Acting 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 46 (A5) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-South West) —
Defeated

Sessional Paper 1142/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 50 (A4) (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 1143/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 50 (A5) (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 1144/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 50 (A6) (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 1145/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 50 (A7) (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 1146/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 50 (A8) (Government House Leader) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 1147/2023-25

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Notices of Motions.

Notices of Motions

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

73. Be it resolved that

- (a) the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act be referred to the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship and the Committee shall be deemed to be the special committee of the Assembly for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review pursuant to section 37 of that Act,
- (b) the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued, and
- (c) in accordance with section 37 of the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, the Committee must submit its report to the Assembly within one year after beginning its review and that report is to include any amendments recommended by the Committee.

74. Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2025 Spring Sitting of the Assembly shall stand adjourned upon the Government House Leader advising the Assembly that the business for the Sitting is concluded.

75. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 50, Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, is resumed, not more than one hour shall be allotted to any further consideration of the Bill in Third Reading, at which time every question necessary for the disposal of the Bill at this stage shall be put forthwith.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:07 a.m. Tuesday, May 13, 2025, until 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker

Title: Monday, May 12, 2025