

No. 22

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Monday, December 8, 2025

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

#### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Bouchard, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement regarding recent job growth in Alberta.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding several Government policies and actions that are in contrast to conservative principles.

Mrs. Johnson, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding the spiritual importance of the Christmas season.

MLA Gurinder Brar, Hon. Member for Calgary-North East, made a statement regarding Bill 14, Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2025.

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding legislation to address scrap metal theft.

Hon. Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding a lack of Government focus on addressing affordability.

#### **Notices of Motions**

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

- 22. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 9, Protecting Alberta's Children 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.
- 23. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 11, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (No. 2), 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.
- 24. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 14, Justice 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.
- 25. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 14, Justice 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.
- **26.** Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 14, Justice 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.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Alberta's Doctor Digest website article, undated, entitled "Pushing back against changes that make life harder for disabled Albertans"

Sessional Paper 271/2025

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

Confederacy of Treaty No. 6 First Nations press release dated December 5, 2025, entitled "Confederacy of Treaty No. 6 First Nations applauds court's decision on separation question"

Sessional Paper 272/2025

Blackfoot Confederacy Tribal Council press release dated December 5, 2025, entitled "Blackfoot Confederacy Chiefs Society – Welcomes Court Decision Protecting Treaty Rights"

Sessional Paper 273/2025

Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta press release dated December 5, 2025, entitled "Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta Respond to Court Ruling Declaring Alberta Independence Referendum Question Contravenes Section 35"

Sessional Paper 274/2025

Court of King's Bench of Alberta, reasons for decision of the Honourable Justice Colin C.J. Feasby, in connection with Chief Electoral Officer, applicant, v. Mitch Sylvestre and Hon. Mr. Amery, Minister of Justice, respondents (docket 2503 15116)

Sessional Paper 275/2025

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

Holiday greeting card from Hon. Ms Hoffman

Sessional Paper 276/2025

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

Wall Street Journal website article dated December 1, 2025, entitled "Europe's Green Energy Rush Slashed Emissions – and Crippled the Economy"

Sessional Paper 277/2025

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

E-mail message dated December 8, 2025, from Adele McDonald to Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, and Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, expressing concern regarding Bill 12, Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (No. 2) (\$)

Sessional Paper 278/2025

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

16 e-mail messages expressing concern regarding Government policies affecting health care

Sessional Paper 279/2025

E-mail message dated December 3, 2025, sender's name redacted, to Mr. Dach, expressing concern regarding proposed changes to Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped program supports

Sessional Paper 280/2025

5 e-mail messages expressing concern regarding proposed changes to the Canada Pension Plan

Sessional Paper 281/2025

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

Letter, undated, from Concerned University of Lethbridge Students, to Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, expressing concern regarding Bill 9, Protecting Alberta's Children Statutes Amendment Act, 2025

Sessional Paper 282/2025

## **Tablings to the Clerk**

Acting Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mrs. Sawhney, Minister of Indigenous Relations:

Premier's Council on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two Spirit Plus People 2023-2024 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 283/2025

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(1) in order to proceed to consideration of Government business for the remainder of the afternoon sitting.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, moved adjournment of the Assembly until 7:30 p.m, which was agreed to on the voice vote. With Hon. Mr. McIver in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 45

Johnson Sawhney Amery Armstrong-Homeniuk Sawyer Jones LaGrange Boitchenko Schow Bouchard Loewen Schulz Sigurdson (Highwood) Cyr Long de Jonge Lovely Singh

Dreeshen Lunty Stephan Dyck McDougall Turton Ellis Nally van Dijken Fir Neudorf Wiebe **Nicolaides** Williams Getson Glubish Wilson Nixon

Horner Petrovic Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

Hunter Pitt Yao
Jean Rowswell Yaseen

Against the motion: 33

Arcand-Paul Elmeligi Kasawski Batten Eremenko Metz Boparai Ganley Pancholi Renaud Brar (Calgary-North East) Goehring Brar (Edmonton-Ellerslie) Gray Sabir Calahoo Stonehouse Guthrie Schmidt

Chapman Haji Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

DachHoffmanSinclairDeolHoyleSweetEggenIpTejada

Ellingson Irwin Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)

## Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 3:12 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025 — 7:30 P.M.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Third Reading**

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

Bill 10 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Nally

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 10 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Nally

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 14 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Amery

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Schow moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

#### 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 Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 13 Regulated Professions Neutrality Act — Hon. Mr. Amery

#### **Second Reading**

Hon. Mr. Amery, Minister of Justice, 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.

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

Bill 11 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (No. 2) — Hon. Min. LaGrange

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Government Motion 19, agreed to on December 4, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 11:38 p.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 11, Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (No. 2), which was agreed to on the voice vote. With Hon. Mr. McIver in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 45

Amery Johnson Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk Jones Sawyer
Boitchenko LaGrange Schow
Bouchard Loewen Schulz
Cyr Long Sigurdson

Cyr Sigurdson (Highwood) de Jonge Lovely Singh Dreeshen Lunty Stephan Dyck McDougall Turton Ellis Nally van Dijken Neudorf Wiebe Fir **Nicolaides** Williams Getson Glubish Nixon Wilson

Horner Petrovic Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

Hunter Pitt Yao Jean Rowswell Yaseen Against the motion: 33

Arcand-Paul Elmeligi Metz Eremenko Batten Nenshi Boparai Ganley Pancholi Goehring Renaud Brar (Calgary-North East) Brar (Edmonton-Ellerslie) Gray Sabir Calahoo Stonehouse Haji Schmidt Chapman Hoffman Shepherd

Dach Hoyle Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

Deol Ip Sweet Eggen Irwin Tejada

Ellingson Kasawski Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)

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

Bill 9 Protecting Alberta's Children Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Amery

#### A debate followed.

Pursuant to Government Motion 18, agreed to on December 4, 2025, and Standing Order 21(1), at 12:44 a.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 9, Protecting Alberta's Children Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, which was agreed to on the voice vote. With Hon. Mr. McIver in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

#### For the motion: 45

Amery Johnson Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk Jones Sawyer
Boitchenko LaGrange Schow
Bouchard Loewen Schulz

Cyr Long Sigurdson (Highwood)

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Dach Hoyle Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

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Ellingson Kasawski Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)

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The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 9 Protecting Alberta's Children Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Amery

Bill 11 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (No. 2) — Hon. Min. LaGrange

#### **Government Motions**

#### 15. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that pursuant to section 3 of the Statutes Repeal Act, SA 2013, cS-19.3, the following statute, appearing on the list of statutes to be repealed which was tabled in the Assembly by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly on behalf of the Minister of Justice on March 26, 2025, (Sessional Paper 917/2023-25), not be repealed:

1. Ensuring Fiscal Sustainability Act, 2019, c18, sections 1(1) to (10) and (13).

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 1:02 a.m. Tuesday, December 9, 2025, until 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ric McIver, Speaker