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Tuesday, November 29, 2022

This being the first Day of the Fourth Session of the Thirtieth Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, for the despatch of business pursuant to a Proclamation of Her Honour the Honourable Salma Lakhani, AOE, B.Sc., LLD (hon), Lieutenant Governor, dated the 26th day of October in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-two;

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly read the Proclamation as follows:

[GREAT SEAL]  
CANADA  
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

SALMA LAKHANI,  
Lieutenant Governor.

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada, and His Other Realms and Territories, KING, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

PROCLAMATION

TO OUR FAITHFUL, the MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta and to each and every one of you

GREETING

Frank Bosscha,  
Deputy Attorney General

WHEREAS it is Our will and pleasure by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our Province of Alberta to prorogue the Third Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of Alberta:

WE DO hereby prorogue, effective October 30, 2022, the said Legislature; and

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient for certain causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta for the Fourth Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on Tuesday, the 29th day of November, 2022, at the hour of THREE o'clock in the afternoon, at Our City of Edmonton, personally be and appear, for the despatch of business, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in the Legislature of Our Province of Alberta, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

HEREIN FAIL NOT

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of Alberta to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: THE HONOURABLE SALMA LAKHANI, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of Alberta, this 26th day of October in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-two and in the First Year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND:

TYLER SHANDRO,  
Provincial Secretary.

The Speaker entered the Assembly and took the Chair. After delivering the opening day prayer, he invited Ariana Whitlow, accompanied by the Royal Canadian Artillery Band, to lead the Members of the Assembly and guests in singing Canada's National Anthem.

### **Introduction of New Member**

The Speaker invited Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, to proceed to the main doors of the Chamber and escort Hon. Ms Smith into the Chamber.

The Speaker announced that he had received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Brooks-Medicine Hat containing the results of the by-election conducted on November 8, 2022, which states that a by-election was held in the constituency of Brooks-Medicine Hat and that the Hon. Ms Danielle Smith was duly elected as the Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat.

Hon. Ms Smith joined Hon. Mr. Schow and was escorted to the Mace. Hon. Mr. Schow presented Hon. Ms Smith to the Speaker, and the Hon. Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat took her seat in the Assembly.

## **Statement by Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor**

Good afternoon, everyone. Before I deliver the Speech from the Throne, I would like to thank all elected official Members of the Assembly for serving our province. Thank you for what you do, and you know that you are a very important part of our precious system of government. The decisions you make and what you do in the Assembly, in the Chamber, make a difference to the lives of all Albertans. So I want to wish you all a very successful, productive session, and I hope that when you go back to your constituencies, you will thank all the community leaders in your respective constituencies for what they do to keep our communities and province moving forward.

Now, before I end, I also want to welcome our new Chief Justice of Alberta, the Honourable Ritu Khullar. Congratulations, Madam Chief Justice. We all wish you well in your new role.

I want to finish by wishing each and every one of you and your families, your loved ones all the very, very best for a peaceful, joyous, happy holiday season, and let us all look to 2023 and the future with hope and optimism.

## **Speech From the Throne**

Mr. Speaker, Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly, and fellow Albertans, I open this Fourth Session of the 30th Legislature as His Majesty the King's representative.

I would like to begin by acknowledging the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Alberta's and Canada's longest-serving monarch. Her dedication to duty and service is an example that all of us in this Chamber should aspire to emulate. Queen Elizabeth had a great affection for our province, which is shared by His Majesty King Charles III. I am honoured to open this Legislative Assembly for the first time on His Majesty's behalf.

Today we gather on Treaty 6 territory, and I invite all Honourable Members to reflect upon and acknowledge the traditional territories of Alberta's First Peoples and their invaluable contribution to our province and country.

Today's Speech from the Throne will outline the commitments of His Majesty's Government for the people and province of Alberta.

Honourable Members, this is a challenging time for our province. Rising inflation is impacting the ability of Albertans to provide for themselves and their families, our healthcare system is under significant strain, and we are combatting unprecedented interference and overreach from the federal government in Ottawa. These may be harsh headwinds, but Albertans are strong.

We have faced difficult challenges before, and not only have we overcome them, we have grown the stronger for it. We will do so again.

**Affordability**

Albertans are an independent and self-reliant people. We do not often ask the Government to assist us with meeting our needs. However, during times of crisis and hardship, Albertans expect their Government to use our vast resource wealth to assist those in need. We must never lose sight of the fact that our natural resources are not the property of Government. They are the property of the people of Alberta.

And too many Albertans are facing an inflationary crisis that is forcing them to make choices they should never have to make. Parents are choosing between food and after school activities for their children, and seniors are choosing between life-saving medication and heating their homes. Although most Albertans are feeling the financial pressure of this crisis, low- and middle-income seniors, families with children at home, and vulnerable Albertans are being hit the hardest.

This crisis is not of Alberta's making. It has been thrust upon us from elsewhere. It is the result of supply chain disruptions and war internationally, combined with anti-energy policies and economic mismanagement by politicians in Ottawa.

But whatever the cause, this Government has a responsibility to take immediate action to help make life more affordable for all Albertans. The new Ministry of Affordability and Utilities will lead work across Government to implement a package of targeted inflation-relief measures, starting with the introduction of the Inflation Relief Act.

Under this legislation, households earning under \$180,000 will be provided with a tax-free payment of \$600 over six months, starting this January, for each senior, to parents for each dependent child under 18, and to each vulnerable Albertan collecting AISH, PDD, and income support.

The Government will also index for inflation AISH, PDD, income support, the Alberta Seniors Benefit, and the Alberta Child and Family Benefit, while providing additional support for food banks and expanding access to low-income transit passes.

Protecting and supporting the most vulnerable among us has and always will be the Alberta way, and this Government is committed to ensuring that its support for those in the most need continues to be among the most generous in all of Canada.

Although most of this Government's affordability measures will target those with the most need during this inflationary crisis, all Albertans will also benefit.

The majority of Albertans must drive to go to work, buy groceries, and get their families to appointments and activities. The Government will provide immediate relief at the gas pumps by suspending the entire provincial fuel tax for at least six months and by making the current fuel relief program permanent thereafter.



As temperatures drop and the days shorten, Albertans pay more for electricity and heating. This Government will provide increased rebates on consumer electricity bills through the winter months, totalling an additional \$200 per household. The Government will also make the current natural gas rebate program permanent and is working with providers on a plan to flatten out spikes in winter electricity rates this winter and permanently thereafter.

And to keep the tax burden on Albertans as low as possible, the Government will index personal income taxes retroactively to 2022 levels, meaning a larger rebate for each Alberta taxpayer this spring.

Together, these measures will save Alberta families and businesses more than \$2.4 billion dollars over the next 18 months.

Again, this is just a start. More affordability measures are in the works – because every decision this Government makes until this inflation crisis is over will balance affordability for Albertans with protecting our province’s financial well-being and that of the next generation.

### **Health Care**

Albertans must have access to world-class health care where and when they need it most. However, across our province critical surgeries are being delayed. Parents are waiting hours with their children to receive basic treatment in the emergency room. Ambulances are taking far too long to arrive when needed. The Government must take action. More words and platitudes will not shorten wait times or free up hospital beds.

Thankfully, our doctors, nurses, paramedics, and all front-line healthcare professionals are the best in the world and are heroes in our midst. And they are literally the key to fixing health care. We need many more of these great Albertans on the front lines caring for patients.

To our front-line professionals, we thank you. We know you are tired, yet you soldier on to serve and love and care for all of us. We love and salute you. On behalf of all Albertans, thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

This Government is here for our healthcare workers. That is why it is committed to supporting our public healthcare system and ensuring resources are directed where they are needed most – to emergency and operating rooms rather than to boardrooms and consulting companies.

Although fixing our healthcare challenges will take time, we will see progress on these issues immediately. The Government’s Health Minister, Jason Copping, along with AHS Official Administrator Dr. John Cowell have initiated the health reform action plan. The plan includes instructions to Alberta Health Services to maximize the use of all surgical facilities across the province while using chartered facilities to deliver more needed surgeries more quickly for more Albertans.

The Government's healthcare reform action plan also includes reforms to decrease ambulance response times significantly by shortening patient transfer times at emergency rooms, using specialized non-emergency vehicles for inter-facility transfers, and empowering our paramedics to provide on-site evaluation and treatment where medically appropriate.

The Government will also bring additional health professionals into our emergency rooms to assist with treatment and triage so that those who need a simple prescription or alternative care get the assistance they need without taking a hospital bed away from those who truly need one.

And critically, the Government will continue to lead with our world-renowned treatment-first approach for Albertans with mental health and addictions challenges while expanding mental health supports for youth and children. The Government understands that investing significantly in mental health saves thousands of lives and improves the lives of hundreds of thousands more in our province. It is time to double down on our success on this issue, and the Government will do so.

### **Jobs and Economy**

The Alberta Government also remains focused on its steadfast commitment to job creation and economic diversification. To achieve Alberta's full potential, the Government will champion innovation while reducing the barriers of entry to entrepreneurs and innovators who want to invest in new ideas and industries in our province.

We know Alberta's greatest asset is its people. This Government is committed to nurturing the best education and training programs in the world. Training the next generation will meet the needs of both traditional and emerging industries to attract the best and brightest from across the nation and around the world to our province.

The Government must also support the economic sectors that have brought so much continued wealth and prosperity to our great province. Alberta's foundational industries of agriculture and energy produce what the world needs most: food and clean, dependable energy.

As Albertans, we will never be ashamed of feeding and powering the world. In fact, now more than ever, the world needs more Alberta energy and agriculture, and this Government is going to make sure that is exactly what happens.

This Government will work to reduce interprovincial trade barriers, work towards new customs pre-clearance for agricultural exports, and expand and improve Alberta's irrigation network.

It will maintain and greatly expand exportation of our natural resources to world markets. And it will contribute to lowering emissions by investing in Alberta-based environmental technology – like carbon capture and hydrogen – while replacing the world's reliance on coal and wood with clean and ethical Alberta LNG.

Humankind has not solved its challenges by cutting economic growth and making people more poor. That is a recipe for environmental disaster and poverty. We overcome our greatest challenges through innovation, technology, wealth creation, and economic growth. And that is exactly how Alberta intends to take on the challenge of lowering our province's and the world's emissions. It is time for our federal government to get on board with that plan and, rather than landlocking our province's energy and technology, work with us to take our clean energy and technology to all the world.

And speaking of technology and innovation, this Government will work to diversify our economy. It will do that through the development of a technology and innovation strategy, a new digital media tax credit, and the expansion of high-speed rural broadband services to attract new investment and change-makers to all parts of our province. This also means continuing to lead the way when it comes to harnessing the power of our natural resources, such as hydrogen, helium, liquified natural gas, and geothermal energy, while exploring new economic corridors.

All of these opportunities will help Albertans benefit from the province's economic potential, including Indigenous Peoples who have always called these lands home. As a part of needed economic reconciliation, this Government will strengthen its partnership with Indigenous Peoples by listening, learning, and ensuring that Indigenous Peoples are not only participants in our economic growth but partners and owners of the developments they choose to permit on their treaty lands.

### **Standing up to Ottawa**

It is important to address our province's relationship with the federal government. As Albertans, we have individual and provincial rights enshrined in Canada's constitution and Charter of Rights and Freedoms. These rights underpin the very foundation of our nation and who we are as Canadians and Albertans.

These include our freedoms of speech and religion; liberty; equality; the rights of First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples; the right of provinces to deliver health care, education and social programs free from federal interference; and, of course, the rights of all provinces to develop our natural resources for the benefit of our people.

These personal and provincial rights are not something the federal government can simply supersede when it chooses. Ottawa is not our ruler; Ottawa is our partner. And it needs to begin acting like it.

The Canadian Constitution is clear. The federal and provincial governments both have exclusive and sovereign areas of jurisdiction, and this Government will no longer sit idly by as Ottawa infringes on our Constitutional rights to develop our resources, develop our economy, and deliver our social programs in the manner that Albertans see fit.

That is why the first piece of legislation this Government under our new Premier will introduce will be the Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act. This Act is to be used as a constitutional shield to protect the personal and provincial rights of Albertans from any unconstitutional or harmful acts by the federal government taken against our province, our people, or its economy.

Whether it be Ottawa restricting the use of fertilizer by our farmers or attempting to prevent us from developing the very energy resources that power our provincial and national economies, whether it be persecuting owners of legal firearms, inappropriately invoking emergency powers, or intentionally interfering in the delivery of provincial health care, education or child care, the Government will not enforce any unconstitutional federal measure or policy within the boundaries of Alberta going forward.

Let us make no mistake: Albertans are proud Canadians, and we love our country. This legislation will never be used to undermine the rule of law or the unity of our nation. Just the opposite, it will be used to uphold and restore the intent of the most foundational document of our law – the Canadian Constitution and Charter of Rights.

Alberta's voices will be heard. Albertans' rights will be respected. And the Alberta Government invites every one of its fellow provinces to work with the Government in ensuring that same respect is demonstrated to every single province by our nation's capital on a go-forward basis.

In so doing, the Government will ensure Canada becomes stronger and more unified than ever before.

### **Overcoming Challenges Together**

Honourable Members of this Legislature, whatever your party affiliation, the Government asks that you work together to overcome the challenges facing this province. For we are all Albertans, and we love this province deeply.

Our magnificent cities, our breathtaking mountainscapes, our boundless fields of grain and natural resources, and of course, our greatest treasure of all – the indomitable and compassionate spirit of our people.

Our nation and the world needs Alberta to lead. And that is what the Government shall do because that is the Alberta way, and Albertans must never apologize for it.

God save the King, and may God bless Alberta to be forever strong and free.

### **Tabling Documents**

The Speaker informed the Assembly he had obtained a copy of the Speech of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid on the Table.

Sessional Paper 1/2022

## Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Ordered that Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, have leave to introduce a Bill entitled “Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.” Hon. Ms Smith accordingly presented the Bill, and the same was received.

The question being put, the motion for First Reading was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 55

Allard	Loewen	Sawhney
Amery	Long	Schow
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Lovely	Schulz
Barnes	Luan	Shandro
Copping	Madu	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Dreeshen	McIver	Singh
Ellis	Milliken	Smith (Brooks-Medicine Hat)
Fir	Nally	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Getson	Neudorf	Stephan
Glubish	Nicolaides	Toews
Gotfried	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Toor
Guthrie	Orr	Turton
Hanson	Pitt	van Dijken
Horner	Pon	Walker
Hunter	Reid	Williams
Issik	Rosin	Wilson
Jean	Rutherford	Yao
Jones	Savage	Yaseen
LaGrange		

Against the motion: 22

Bilous	Goehring	Phillips
Carson	Gray	Renaud
Ceci	Hoffman	Sabir
Dach	Irwin	Schmidt
Deol	Loyola	Shepherd
Eggen	Nielsen	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Feehan	Pancholi	Sweet
Ganley		

## Government Motions

1. Moved by Hon. Ms Smith:

Be it resolved that the Speech of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to this Assembly be taken into consideration Wednesday, November 30, 2022.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

## Intersessional Deposits

Pursuant to Standing Order 38.1(3), the following documents were deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly and are deemed to have been laid before the Assembly:

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Ombudsman Act, cO-8, s28:

Alberta Ombudsman 2021-22 Annual Report, deposited on September 16, 2022  
Sessional Paper 190/2022

Hon. Mr. Rutherford, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Election Act, cE-1, s4(6):

2021 Senate Election and Referendum Vote, a Report of the Chief Electoral Officer, deposited on September 26, 2022  
Sessional Paper 191/2022

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Child and Youth Advocate Act, cC-11.5, s9.1(5):

Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Alberta Mandatory Reviews into Child Deaths, October 1, 2021, to March 31, 2022, deposited on September 28, 2022  
Sessional Paper 192/2022

Mr. Smith, Chair, Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, pursuant to Motion Other Than a Government Motion 518, agreed to as amended on June 7, 2021:

Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing Final Report – Review of Standing Order 29.1 (Interventions Rule), Thirtieth Legislature, Third Session, October 2022, deposited on October 3, 2022  
Sessional Paper 193/2022

Hon. Mr. Orr, Minister of Culture, pursuant to the Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month Act, cG-5.4, s4(3):

Report, undated, entitled “Report on Strategies and Actions to Implement the Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month Act,” prepared by the Government of Alberta, deposited on October 13, 2022  
Sessional Paper 194/2022

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s46(2):

Office of the Ethics Commissioner of Alberta Annual Report, April 1, 2021, to March 31, 2022, deposited on October 26, 2022

Sessional Paper 195/2022

Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta Dental Association and College Annual Report 2021, deposited on October 26, 2022

Sessional Paper 196/2022

College of Alberta Dental Assistants Annual Report 2021-22, deposited on October 26, 2022

Sessional Paper 197/2022

College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Alberta Annual Report 2021-2022, deposited on October 26, 2022

Sessional Paper 198/2022

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:13 p.m. until Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, November 30, 2022

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member Hon. Peter Trynchy, Member for Whitecourt, 1971 to 1993, and Whitecourt-Ste. Anne, 1993 to 2001, who passed away on November 21, 2022.

## **Speaker's Statement – Items in Daily Routine**

Honourable Members, before I call upon the Clerk to call the Daily Routine, I noticed that Government Motion 9, which is on notice on the Order Paper, is proposing to amend a number of Standing Orders, including amendments with respect to two items in the Daily Routine: Introduction of Guests and Members' Statements. The motion seeks, among other things, to amend Standing Order 7(3) to provide that each day Members may make introductions under Introduction of Guests, that the time allotted for this item of business is four minutes, and that each Member's introduction may not exceed 20 seconds. In addition, an amendment has been proposed to Standing Order 7(4) to reduce the number of Members' Statements from nine to seven each day.

I understand that two unanimous consent requests may be coming forward that would seek to give effect to these proposed amendments this afternoon.

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(3) in order to allow Members to make their own introductions of guests for a period not exceeding four minutes, and that each introduction shall not exceed 20 seconds.

Unanimous consent is granted. Accordingly, the Introduction of Guests this afternoon will follow the process I have just outlined.

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 7(4) in order to allow for seven Members' Statements to be given today in the order outlined in the House Leaders' Agreement shared with all Members by the Speaker.

Unanimous consent is granted. The rotation for Members' Statements that will apply today is contained in a House Leaders' Agreement that I received on November 28, 2022, which has also been circulated to each Member and that I will table at the appropriate time today in the Routine.

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting post-secondary students.

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Hon. Peter Trynchy.

Mr. Reid, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding the opening of the Peaks to Pines seniors lodge.

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding the Pacific NorthWest Economic Region Foundation.

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul, made a statement regarding the federal government and Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas.

### **Speaker's Statement – Oral Question Period and Members' Statements Rotations**

Honourable Members, as this is the first regular sitting day of the Fourth Session, there is some information I wish to share with you prior to Oral Question Period.



I would like to inform you that modifications have been made to the Oral Question Period and Members' Statements rotations based upon the House Leaders' Agreement I mentioned in my earlier statement. One oral question each week and one Member's Statement every three weeks had been assigned to the Member who was an independent Member during the Spring sitting, the Member for Central Peace-Notley. However, since that Member is now a member of the United Conservative caucus, that question and Member's Statement have been allocated to the United Conservative caucus. The Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat will be entitled to question eight on day three, and the Member for Edmonton-South will be entitled to question nine on day four.

Each of the independent Members will continue to be allocated one Member's Statement every three weeks. The Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat is allocated a statement on Monday of week two of the rotation, and the Member for Edmonton-South has been allocated a statement on Monday of week three.

With respect to private Members' business, there have been some modifications to the list of positions for Private Members' Public Bills and Motions Other Than Government Motions drawn for the Fourth Session. As a result of the recent appointments of certain private Members to Executive Council and the resignation of the former Member for Brooks-Medicine Hat, Bills 210, 224, 231, 238, 239, 245, 246, 253, 254, and 255 and Motions Other Than Government Motions 510, 515, 520, 521, 523, 526, 539, 542, 543, and 551 have all been withdrawn from the list of positions for the Fourth Session of the 30th Legislature.

As I reminded you in the procedural memo sent to Members on November 28, 2022, a number of parliamentary secretaries have been appointed recently. I want to remind you that parliamentary secretaries are private Members. They are not members of Executive Council. Accordingly, they have the rights and duties of private Members, not of members of Cabinet. I refer Members to the rulings by Speaker Kowalski on April 16, 2008, which can be found on page 13 of Hansard for that day, and Speaker Wanner, which can be found on page 1599 of Hansard for October 30, 2017, which indicate that it is inappropriate for parliamentary secretaries to direct questions to the minister with whom the parliamentary secretary is affiliated. Accordingly, I would ask the parliamentary secretaries to refrain from posing questions to their Ministers.

With respect to House leadership, I would remind Members that the Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul is a private Member. He has been appointed as a Deputy Government House Leader. Members will recall that the current Government House Leader was previously appointed as Deputy Government House Leader during the 2021 Fall sitting also when he was a private Member. On October 25, 2021, I made a statement on the scope of that Member's role as a Deputy Government House Leader, and I would urge the Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul and all Members to review those remarks, which can be found on page 5647 of Hansard for that day.

I wish to remind Members that the election of the Deputy Chair of Committees will take place immediately following the Routine.

Finally, as we embark on this session, please remember that in accordance with Standing Order 13(7), Members must be in their assigned seat when speaking or voting.

**Notices of Motions**

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, gave oral notice of the following Bill:

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Williams

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, gave oral notice of the intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly acknowledge the following:

- (a) Alberta is facing a crisis in children's health care that has resulted in unacceptable emergency room wait times, capacity issues and surgical cancellations to the point that a trailer is now being established next to the Alberta Children's Hospital to provide health care;
- (b) wait times at the Alberta Children's Hospital and Stollery Children's Hospital have exceeded 15 hours on multiple occasions;
- (c) the families of sick children impacted with COVID-19, respiratory syncytial virus and influenza have been facing a prolonged shortage of children's pain and fever reducing medication, which adds to the stress, discomfort and pressure of an already difficult situation;
- (d) the Government's reduction of funding for education programs have led to 1,000 fewer teachers and thousands fewer educational assistants being employed by Alberta's schools, which has made the challenges of dealing with school children's widespread illnesses more difficult to deal with at a local level;

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government of Alberta

- (a) to acknowledge the impact these delays and the lack of access to basic healthcare services is having on the physical, mental and emotional well-being of these children and their families, and
- (b) immediately table in the Legislature an action plan to address the crisis in children's health care.

**Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

Letter dated November 29, 2022, from Hon. Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, to Alberta school trustees, indicating her intention to advocate for emergency funding for teachers and students

Sessional Paper 2/2022

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

E-mail message dated November 25, 2022, from Heather Tye to Hon. Min. LaGrange, Minister of Education, regarding her sister's illness and the need for COVID-19 public health measures in schools

Sessional Paper 3/2022

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul:

Document, undated, entitled "the leap manifesto, A Call for Canada Based on Caring for the Earth and One Another"

Sessional Paper 4/2022

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Memorandum dated November 28, 2022, from Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, to Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, providing a signed House Leaders' Agreement regarding Oral Question Period and Members' Statements rotations for the Fall 2022 sitting and advising of proposed changes to the Standing Orders contained within Government Motion 9

Sessional Paper 5/2022

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, cF-14.7, ss1(2) and 6(1)

2022-23 Mid-Year Fiscal Update and Economic Statement, November 2022

Sessional Paper 6/2022

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Min. LaGrange, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2):

Alberta Teachers' Association 2021 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 7/2022

### **Election of Deputy Chair of Committees**

The Speaker advised the Assembly that nominations were open, and the following Members were nominated and allowed their names to stand for the position of Deputy Chair of Committees:

Mr. Reid, nominated by Mr. Long;

Ms Sweet, nominated by Hon. Ms Gray.

Receiving no additional nominations, the Speaker declared nominations closed.

Ballots were completed by the Members.

The Clerk, Table Officers, and Sergeant-at-Arms retired from the Chamber to count the ballots.

### **Election Results**

The Clerk then announced the following:

The results of the first ballot for the election of the Deputy Chair of Committees are as follows: the number of ballots cast, 77; the number of spoiled ballots, 0; the number of votes required to achieve the 50 percent plus one majority, 39; the Member having received the majority of votes cast, Mr. Reid. Mr. Reid is hereby declared Deputy Chair of Committees of the Legislative Assembly for the 30th Legislature.

### **Motions Under Standing Order 42**

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly acknowledge the following:

- (a) Alberta is facing a crisis in children's health care that has resulted in unacceptable emergency room wait times, capacity issues and surgical cancellations to the point that a trailer is now being established next to the Alberta Children's Hospital to provide health care;
- (b) wait times at the Alberta Children's Hospital and Stollery Children's Hospital have exceeded 15 hours on multiple occasions;
- (c) the families of sick children impacted with COVID-19, respiratory syncytial virus and influenza have been facing a prolonged shortage of children's pain and fever reducing medication, which adds to the stress, discomfort and pressure of an already difficult situation;
- (d) the Government's reduction of funding for education programs have led to 1,000 fewer teachers and thousands fewer educational assistants being employed by Alberta's schools, which has made the challenges of dealing with school children's widespread illnesses more difficult to deal with at a local level;

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government of Alberta

- (a) to acknowledge the impact these delays and the lack of access to basic healthcare services is having on the physical, mental and emotional well-being of these children and their families, and
- (b) immediately table in the Legislature an action plan to address the crisis in children's health care.

Pursuant to Standing Order 42(1.1) and (1.2), Ms Pancholi and Hon. Mr. Copping commented on the request for unanimous consent.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Motions**

**2.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve into Committee of the Whole, when called, to consider certain Bills on the Order Paper.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**4.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2022 Fall Sitting is extended until either of the following occurs, immediately after which the Assembly stands adjourned:

- (a) the end of the day on December 22, 2022;
- (b) the Government House Leader advises the Assembly that the business for the sitting is concluded.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**3.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve itself into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**6.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1) and for the duration of the 2022 Fall Sitting of the Fourth Session of the 30th Legislature, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business, unless the Government House Leader notifies the Assembly that there shall be no evening sitting that day by providing notice under Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or at any time prior to 6 p.m.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

## Government Bills and Orders

### Second Reading

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

A debate followed.

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

## Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

Moved by Mr. Toor and seconded by Ms Lovely:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour, the Honourable Salma Lakhani, AOE, B.Sc., LL.D. (hon), the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

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

## Government Motions

5. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that Standing Order 3(6), which provides for one constituency week for every three sitting weeks, not apply to the 2022 Fall Sitting.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that

- (a) the Conflicts of Interest 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 48 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 48 of the Conflicts of Interest 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.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**8.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that the membership of the Assembly's committees be replaced as follows:

- A. on the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, that Mr. Orr replace Mr. Rowswell as Chair, Mr. Orr replace Mr. Rowswell, Mrs. Allard replace Mr. Jones as Deputy Chair, Mr. Gotfried replace Mr. Jones, Ms Pon replace Mr. Rehn, and Ms Issik replace Mr. Singh;
- B. on the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, that Mr. Smith replace Mr. Rutherford as Chair, Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Milliken as Deputy Chair, Mr. Hunter replace Mr. Rutherford, Mr. Toor replace Mr. Milliken, Mr. Rehn replace Mrs. Allard, Mr. Panda replace Mr. Long, and Mr. Orr replace Ms Rosin;
- C. on the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, that Mr. Williams replace Mr. Rutherford as Chair, Mr. Williams replace Mr. Rutherford, Ms Rosin replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon as Deputy Chair, Ms Lovely replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon, Mr. Jason Nixon replace Mr. Amery, and Mr. Panda replace Mr. Long;
- D. on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, that Mr. Reid replace Mr. Smith as Chair, Mr. Jason Nixon replace Mr. Smith, Mr. Gotfried replace Mr. Reid as Deputy Chair, Mr. Rehn replace Mr. Neudorf, Mrs. Allard replace Mr. Stephan, and Mr. Yao replace Mr. Williams;
- E. on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, that Mr. Hunter replace Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Mr. Stephan replace Mr. Rowswell, Mr. Turton replace Mr. Reid as Deputy Chair, Mr. Panda replace Mr. Reid, and Mr. Yaseen replace Mr. Walker;
- F. on the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, that Mr. Williams replace Mr. Schow as Deputy Chair, Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Schow, Mr. Rowswell replace Mr. Sigurdson, Mr. McIver replace Mr. Neudorf, Ms Pon replace Mr. Long, and Ms Fir replace Mrs. Allard;
- G. on the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, that Mr. van Dijken replace Mr. Neudorf as Chair, Mr. McIver replace Mr. Neudorf, Mrs. Allard replace Ms Rosin, Mr. Carson replace Ms Sweet, Mr. Feehan replace MLA Irwin, and that Mr. Stephan be appointed;
- H. on the Standing Committee on Families and Communities, that Mr. Long replace Mr. Amery, Mr. Yaseen replace Mr. Hunter, Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk replace Mr. Reid, Mr. Yao replace Mr. Loewen, and that Ms Fir be appointed;

- I. on the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, that Ms Issik replace Mr. Guthrie, Mrs. Aheer replace Ms Lovely, Mr. Orr replace Mr. Rehn, Mr. Sigurdson replace Mr. Yao, Mr. Feehan replace Mr. Ceci as Deputy Chair, and Mr. Nielsen replace Mr. Ceci; and
- J. on the Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee, that Ms Rosin replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon as Chair, Mr. Smith replace Mr. Jeremy Nixon, and Mr. Williams replace Ms Rosin as Deputy Chair.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

9. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

- A. Be it resolved that the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, effective February 23, 2022, be amended as follows:
  - (a) in Standing Order 7
    - (i) in suborder (1) by striking out “God Save the Queen (Thursday)” and substituting “Royal Anthem (Thursday)”;
    - (ii) by striking out suborder (3) and substituting the following:
      - (3)** When Introduction of Guests is called and for a period not exceeding 4 minutes, brief introductions, each not exceeding 20 seconds, may be made of groups of students and, with the prior permission of the Speaker, of other visitors in the galleries.
    - (iii) in suborder (4) by striking out “9 Members” and substituting “7 Members”;
  - (b) in Standing Order 8
    - (i) by striking out suborder (1) and substituting the following:
      - 8(1)** On Monday afternoon, after the daily routine, the order of business for consideration of the Assembly shall be as follows:
        - Written Questions
        - Motions for Returns
        - Motions for Concurrence in Committee Reports on Public Bills other than Government Bills
        - Public Bills and Orders other than Government Bills and Orders
        - At 5 p.m.: Motions other than Government Motions
    - (ii) in suborder (7)(c) by striking out “4 sitting days” wherever it occurs and substituting “8 sitting days”;
  - (c) by striking out Standing Order 13(5.1);
  - (d) in Standing Order 23(k) by striking out “Her Majesty” and substituting “His Majesty”;
  - (e) in Standing Order 52(1)(c) by striking out “Private Bills and Private Members’ Public Bills” and substituting “Private Bills”;



- (f) in Standing Order 52.01(1) by striking out clauses (a) to (c) and substituting the following:
  - (a) Standing Committee on Alberta’s Economic Future – mandate related to the areas of Advanced Education; Culture; Forestry, Parks and Tourism; Infrastructure; Jobs, Economy and Northern Development; Skilled Trades and Professions; Technology and Innovation; Trade, Immigration and Multiculturalism;
  - (b) Standing Committee on Families and Communities – mandate related to the areas of Children’s Services; Education; Health; Justice; Mental Health and Addiction; Public Safety and Emergency Services; Seniors, Community and Social Services; Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction;
  - (c) Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship – mandate related to the areas of Affordability and Utilities; Agriculture and Irrigation; Energy; Environment and Protected Areas; Indigenous Relations; Municipal Affairs; Transportation and Economic Corridors; Treasury Board and Finance.
- (g) by striking out Standing Order 59.01(12);
- (h) in Standing Order 74.1
  - (i) in the heading by striking out “Government Bill” and substituting “Bill”, and
  - (ii) in suborder (1) by striking out all of the words after “read a second time,” and substituting “the following Members may, without notice, move a motion to refer the Bill to a standing or special committee:
    - (a) with respect to a Government Bill, a member of the Executive Council;
    - (b) with respect to a public Bill other than a Government Bill, the sponsor.”
- (i) by striking out Standing Order 74.11;
- (j) by striking out Standing Order 83(1) and substituting the following:

**83(1)** The Assembly shall not adopt or pass any vote, resolution, address or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue, or of any tax or impost, to any purpose that has not been first recommended to the Assembly by Message of the Lieutenant Governor in the session that the vote, resolution, address or Bill is being proposed.
- (k) by striking out Standing Order 89 and substituting the following:

**Publication of deadline**

**89** The Clerk of the Assembly shall publish a notice on the Legislative Assembly website that indicates the day on which the applicable period for receiving private Bills will expire

- (a) when a calendar is published under Standing Order 3(7), and
  - (b) prior to the commencement of the first session of a Legislature.
- (l) in Standing Order 91
- (i) by striking out suborders (1) and (2) and substituting the following:
 

**91(1)** The petitioner shall publish a notice of the application once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in at least one newspaper of general circulation in each area of Alberta to which the application relates, commencing not earlier than November 1 of the year preceding the year in which the petition will be submitted.

**(2)** The notice shall clearly specify

    - (a) the nature and object of the private Bill,
    - (b) the area of Alberta in which any proposed work or activity authorized by the private Bill may take place, and
    - (c) the location of any property that may be affected by the private Bill.
  - (ii) in suborder (4) by striking out “Private Bills and Private Members’ Public Bills Committee” and substituting “Private Bills Committee”.
- (m) by striking out Standing Order 93;
- (n) in Standing Order 94 as follows:
- (i) in suborder (1)
    - (A) by striking out “shall, within the time limited by suborder (2) deliver to the Clerk of the Assembly” and substituting “shall, in accordance with suborder (2), deliver the following to the Clerk of the Assembly:”;
    - (B) in clause (b) by striking out “publication of a notice in accordance with Standing Order 91 by a statutory declaration” and substituting “publication of a notice of application, in accordance with Standing Order 91, in the form of a statutory declaration”;
    - (C) in clause (c) by striking out “fee required by” and substituting “fee required under”, and

- (D) by striking out clause (d);
  - (ii) in suborder (2)
    - (A) by striking out “The fees and documents listed in suborder (1) shall all be delivered” and substituting “The petitioner shall deliver the fees and documents listed in suborder (1)”, and
    - (B) by striking out “by the 15th day following the first day of the first sitting in any year” and substituting “no later than the 15th day following the first day of
      - (a) the first sitting in a calendar year, or
      - (b) the first session of a Legislature.”
  - (o) in the following Standing Orders by striking out “Private Bills and Private Members’ Public Bills Committee” and substituting “Private Bills Committee”:
    - Standing Order 96(2)
    - Standing Orders 98(1) and (3)
    - Standing Order 100(1)
    - Standing Order 101
    - Standing Order 102
    - Standing Order 103
    - Standing Order 104
    - Standing Order 105(1)
    - Standing Order 106;
  - (p) in the headings preceding Standing Orders 98, 100 and 105 by striking out “Private Bills and Private Members’ Public Bills Committee” and substituting “Private Bills Committee”;
  - (q) in Standing Order 108.1(b) by striking out “substitute” and substituting “shall substitute”.
- B. Be it further resolved that upon passage of this motion a Bill that was referred under Standing Order 74.11(1) before the passage of this motion be placed on the Order Paper for second reading.
- C. And be it further resolved that the amendments in this motion come into force on passage.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:41 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2022 — 7:30 P.M.

### **Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech**

Moved by Mr. Toor and seconded by Ms Lovely:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour, the Honourable Salma Lakhani, AOE, B.Sc., LLD (hon), the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

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

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

A debate followed.

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

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Rutherford, Minister without Portfolio, the Assembly adjourned at 9:11 p.m. until Thursday, December 1, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Thursday, December 1, 2022

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

### **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, made a statement regarding recent comments made by the Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition concerning Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.

Hon. Ms Notley, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

## Members' Statements

Hon. Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding recently announced Government financial support for early childhood educators.

Hon. Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore, made a statement regarding the need to address gender-based violence through the Government's workplace anti-discrimination policies.

Hon. MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the New Democratic Party's alternative Speech from the Throne.

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(8), Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, provided notice to the Assembly that the Daily Routine shall continue beyond 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the Government's economic policies.

Hon. Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding Alberta's history within Canadian Confederation.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the New Democratic Party's commitment to affordable child care.

## Notices of Motions

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

11. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly express its opposition to any action taken by the Government of Canada to disallow a law passed by the Legislative Assembly.

## Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given, on the motion that the following Bill be now read a First time:

Bill 201 Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act — Hon. Ms Notley

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

For the motion: 51

Allard	Guthrie	Sabir
Amery	Hanson	Sawhney
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Irwin	Schmidt
Bilous	Jones	Schow
Carson	LaGrange	Shepherd
Copping	Loewen	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Dach	Loyola	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Deol	Luan	Smith (Brooks-Medicine Hat)
Dreeshen	Madu	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Eggen	Neudorf	Stephan
Ellis	Notley	Sweet
Feehan	Orr	Toor
Fir	Pancholi	Turton
Getson	Pon	Walker
Goehring	Reid	Williams
Gotfried	Renaud	Wilson
Gray	Rosin	Yaseen

Against the motion: 0

Oral notice having been given November 30, 2022:

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act,  
2022 — Mr. Williams

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Mr. Smith, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices:

Pursuant to the Election Act, cE-1, 4(7), and the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, cE-2, s4(2), Chief Electoral Officer Annual Report 2021-22

Sessional Paper 8/2022

Pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s19(5), Office of the Auditor General of Alberta Results Report for the Year Ended March 31, 2022

Sessional Paper 9/2022

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

Report dated June 2021, entitled “Alberta’s Key Challenges and Opportunities,” prepared by Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations

Sessional Paper 10/2022

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-25, s63(2), Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Alberta Annual Report 2021-22

Sessional Paper 11/2022

Pursuant to the Child and Youth Advocate Act, cC-11.5, s21(2), Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Alberta Annual Report 2021-22

Sessional Paper 12/2022

Pursuant to the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, cP-39.5, s33(2), Public Interest Commissioner of Alberta 2021-22 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 13/2022

Pursuant to the Property Rights Advocate Act, cP-26.5, s5(3), Property Rights Advocate Office 2019-2021 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 14/2022

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Min. LaGrange, Minister of Education, pursuant to the College of Alberta School Superintendents Act, cC-18.8, s11:

College of Alberta School Superintendents Annual Report 2021-2022

Sessional Paper 15/2022

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the Bill is negatively impacting investment decisions and the Alberta economy and should not proceed in order to protect the economic well-being of Albertans.

Sessional Paper 16/2022

A debate followed on the amendment.

Debate adjourned on the amendment, Mr. Stephan speaking.

## **Adjournment**

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, December 5, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Monday, December 5, 2022

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

## **Members' Statements**

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding the Government's recent financial announcements to address affordability in Alberta.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, and its potential effects on attracting investment in the Industrial Heartland.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Dallas Boyko.

Hon. Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding Financial Literacy Month.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding the International Day for Persons with Disabilities.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the Government's recent financial announcements to address affordability in Alberta.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding provincial autonomy.

## **Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees**

Mr. Williams, Deputy Chair, Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee, presented the following:

Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee,  
Report of the Committee, Thirtieth Legislature, Fourth Session, December 2022  
Sessional Paper 17/2022



## Notices of Motions

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

12. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly
  - (a) concur in the report of the Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee tabled on December 5, 2022 (Sessional Paper 17/2022); and
  - (b) recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Kevin Brezinski be appointed as Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner for the Province of Alberta for a five-year term commencing on December 30, 2022.
13. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, 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.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, gave oral notice of the intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) acknowledge the adverse impact on families with children receiving pediatric respite healthcare services at the Rotary Flames House by pausing care in an attempt to meet the rising unmet patient needs at Alberta Children's Hospital; and
- (b) urge the Government to immediately table an action plan that will, in an expeditious manner, ensure that these pediatric respite healthcare services are fully resumed at the Rotary Flames House.

## Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

## Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Theatre Network playbill, undated, entitled "The Innocence of Trees by Eugene Stickland, World Premiere November 22 to December 11, 2022"

Sessional Paper 18/2022

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader:

Calgary Herald website article dated December 5, 2022, entitled “Braid: Dictatorial, unworkable sovereignty act may be worst legislation in Alberta history”

Sessional Paper 19/2022

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

Globe and Mail website article dated December 5, 2022, entitled “Danielle Smith’s Sovereignty Act is a silly political dare, written in crayon”

Sessional Paper 20/2022

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock:

Letter dated November 28, 2022, from Gunter Jochum, President, Western Canadian Wheat Growers to Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock, expressing concern regarding the federal government’s commitment to reduce Canada’s fertilizer emissions

Sessional Paper 21/2022

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Page Biographies, Legislative Assembly of Alberta, 30th Legislature, Fourth Session, Fall Session 2022

Sessional Paper 22/2022

## **Motions Under Standing Order 42**

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) acknowledge the adverse impact on families with children receiving pediatric respite healthcare services at the Rotary Flames House by pausing care in an attempt to meet the rising unmet patient needs at Alberta Children’s Hospital; and
- (b) urge the Government to immediately table an action plan that will, in an expeditious manner, ensure that these pediatric respite healthcare services are fully resumed at the Rotary Flames House.

Pursuant to Standing Order 42(1.1) and (1.2), Mr. Shepherd and Hon. Mr. Copping commented on the request for unanimous consent.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

## 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 201 Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act — Hon. Ms Notley

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Health, moved that, pursuant to Standing Order 8(8), the Legislative Assembly defer further consideration of Bill 201, Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act, at Second Reading until December 21, 2022, or until the first day for consideration of Private Members' business after that date.

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

For the motion: 32

Amery	Loewen	Schow
Copping	Long	Schulz
Ellis	Lovely	Singh
Fir	McIver	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Glubish	Milliken	Toews
Hanson	Nally	Toor
Horner	Neudorf	Turton
Hunter	Nicolaides	van Dijken
Issik	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Williams
Jean	Rutherford	Wilson
LaGrange	Savage	

Against the motion: 9

Dach	Gray	Notley
Deol	Irwin	Renaud
Ganley	Nielsen	Shepherd

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

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act,  
2022 — Mr. Williams

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 37

Amery	Long	Savage
Dach	Madu	Schow
Deol	McIver	Schulz
Fir	Milliken	Shepherd
Glubish	Nally	Singh
Gray	Neudorf	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Guthrie	Nicolaides	Stephan
Hanson	Nielsen	Toews
Horner	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Toor
Hunter	Pitt	Turton
Irwin	Renaud	van Dijken
Issik	Rutherford	Williams
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Against the motion: 0

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

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act,  
2022 — Mr. Williams

### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

**501.** Moved by Ms Renaud:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to

- (a) immediately investigate the recent increases in grocery prices and lack of competition in the grocery market in Alberta and report its findings to the Assembly no later than January 15, 2023; and
- (b) amend the Consumer Protection Act to clarify that the practice of price gouging is unfair and, as such, is subject to investigation by Service Alberta's Consumer Investigations Unit.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 15

Dach	Milliken	Savage
Deol	Nally	Shepherd
Glubish	Neudorf	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Gray	Nielsen	Toor
Irwin	Renaud	Turton

Against the motion: 18

Amery	Loewen	Schow
Fir	Madu	Singh
Horner	McIver	Stephan
Hunter	Nicolaides	Toews
Issik	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	van Dijken
Jean	Rutherford	Williams

## Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:01 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022 — 7:30 P.M.

## Government Bills and Orders

### Second Reading

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Hon. Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, on December 1, 2022, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the Bill is negatively impacting investment decisions and the Alberta economy and should not proceed in order to protect the economic well-being of Albertans.

Sessional Paper 16/2022

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mrs. Pitt in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 9

Bilous	Feehan	Sabir
Carson	Goehring	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eggen	Loyola	Sweet

Against the amendment: 26

Amery	Jones	Shandro
Copping	LaGrange	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Dreeshen	Luan	Toews
Ellis	McIver	van Dijken
Glubish	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Walker
Guthrie	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Williams
Hanson	Orr	Wilson
Horner	Pon	Yaseen
Issik	Savage	

Debate continued on the main motion.

Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the Government has failed to adequately consult with non-profit organizations and municipalities on the potential risks this Bill presents to federal funding for their projects including critical infrastructure and housing initiatives.

Sessional Paper 23/2022

A debate followed on the amendment.

Hon. Ms Sigurdson moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

## Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, the Assembly adjourned at 12:54 a.m. Tuesday, December 6, 2022, until 1:30 p.m.

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Tuesday, December 6, 2022

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

### **Members' Statements**

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.

Hon. Mr. McIver, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hays, made a statement regarding the Government's recent acquisition of a supply of children's pain and fever medication.

Hon. Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding the anniversary of the École Polytechnique massacre and gender-based violence.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding the New Democratic Party's commitment to ensuring that Fort McMurray firefighters have presumptive coverage for catastrophic traumatic exposure.

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Montana Erickson.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding the anniversary of the École Polytechnique massacre and gender-based violence.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie-East, made a statement regarding the Government's proposed health spending account for Albertans.

### **Notices of Motions**

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

14. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, 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.
15. Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada 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.

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 5 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Shandro

## Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader:

Report dated December 2022, entitled “Presumptive Cancer Coverages – Firefighter in Alberta Cancer Registry – Catastrophic Traumatic Exposures, Legislative Fact Sheet,” prepared by the Alberta Professional Fire Fighters & Paramedics Association

Sessional Paper 24/2022

Report dated December 2022, entitled “Addressing the Crisis in EMS and Pre-Hospital Care, Legislative Fact Sheet,” prepared by the Alberta Professional Fire Fighters & Paramedics Association

Sessional Paper 25/2022

Report dated December 2022, entitled “Government of Alberta Restriction on Alberta Pension Services (APS), Legislative Fact Sheet,” prepared by the Alberta Professional Fire Fighters & Paramedics Association

Sessional Paper 26/2022

Hon. Mr. Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction:

Report, undated, untitled, regarding Canada’s food price inflation, prepared by the Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers, relating to comments made by Hon. Mr. Nally during consideration of Motion Other Than a Government Motion 501 on December 5, 2022

Sessional Paper 27/2022

Report, undated, entitled “Canada’s Food Price Report 2023,” prepared by Dalhousie University, The University of British Columbia, University of Guelph, and the University of Saskatchewan, relating to comments made by Hon. Mr. Nally during consideration of Motion Other Than a Government Motion 501 on December 5, 2022

Sessional Paper 28/2022

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Government Bills and Orders

#### Second Reading

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

Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

A debate followed.

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



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

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Nielsen speaking.

## **Adjournment**

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022 — 7:30 P.M.

## **Government Motions**

12. Oral notice having been given December 5, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) concur in the report of the Select Special Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner Search Committee tabled on December 5, 2022 (Sessional Paper 17/2022); and
- (b) recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Kevin Brezinski be appointed as Ombudsman and Public Interest Commissioner for the Province of Alberta for a five-year term commencing on December 30, 2022.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

13. Oral notice having been given December 5, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, 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. Schow and Hon. Mr. Eggen commented on the time allocation motion.

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

For the motion: 27

Armstrong-Homeniuk	Madu	Savage
Fir	McIver	Schow
Horner	Milliken	Schulz
Hunter	Nally	Singh
Issik	Neudorf	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Jean	Nicolaides	Stephan
Jones	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Toor
Loewen	Orr	Turton
Long	Rutherford	Yao

Against the motion: 7

Bilous	Goehring	Schmidt
Eggen	Phillips	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Feehan		

## Government Bills and Orders

### Second Reading

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Ms Goehring, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, on December 5, 2022, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Second time because the Assembly is of the view that the Government has failed to adequately consult with non-profit organizations and municipalities on the potential risks this Bill presents to federal funding for their projects including critical infrastructure and housing initiatives.

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The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 9

Bilous	Feehan	Schmidt
Carson	Goehring	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eggen	Phillips	Sweet

Against the amendment: 28

Armstrong-Homeniuk	Madu	Savage
Barnes	McIver	Schow
Fir	Milliken	Schulz
Horner	Nally	Singh
Hunter	Neudorf	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Issik	Nicolaides	Stephan
Jean	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Toor
Jones	Orr	Turton
Loewen	Rutherford	Yao
Long		

Pursuant to Government Motion 13, agreed to on December 6, 2022, and Standing Order 21(1), at 8:57 p.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, which was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 30

Armstrong-Homeniuk	Madu	Rutherford
Barnes	McIver	Savage
Fir	Milliken	Schow
Horner	Nally	Schulz
Hunter	Neudorf	Singh
Issik	Nicolaides	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Jean	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Stephan
Jones	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Toor
Loewen	Orr	Turton
Long	Pitt	Yao

Against the motion: 9

Bilous	Feehan	Schmidt
Carson	Goehring	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eggen	Phillips	Sweet

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

### 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)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Mr. Turton, 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 1 (A1) (Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon) —  
Adjourned

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Subamendment to Bill 1 (A1-SA1) (Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine  
Hat) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 30/2022

## Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:31 a.m. Wednesday, December 7, 2022, until 1:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, December 7, 2022

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

## Members' Statements

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the 100th birthday of His Holiness Pramukh Swami Maharaj.

Hon. Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the opioid crisis and recognizing the life and legacy of Sebastian Heemskerck.

Mr. Stephan, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding the Canada Pension Plan and a proposed alternative Alberta pension plan.

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding the need for additional resources to address rural crime in Flagstaff County.

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the work of Team Lethbridge.

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding Bill 202, Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022.

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul, made a statement regarding federal government tax policies affecting a food bank in the Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul constituency.

## Presenting Petitions

Hon. Mr. Schmidt, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 1,068 Albertans urging the Government to declare a state of public health emergency in response to the ongoing opioid crisis and to seek possible solutions through increased Alberta Health and social programs assistance along with a public awareness campaign.

## Notices of Motions

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, gave oral notice of the intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) acknowledge the current lack of access to health care in Lethbridge, including
  - (i) the local intensive care unit at Chinook Regional Hospital being near capacity, potentially resulting in some new patients being diverted to other communities that are facing similar capacity challenges,
  - (ii) the chronic shortage of family doctors accepting new patients, resulting in an estimated 40,000 people who do not have access to primary care and are reliant on emergency care, and
  - (iii) reduced access to obstetric and birthing care due to only having one full-time obstetrician and gynaecologist working in the community;
- (b) express its concern about the negative impact on residents in Lethbridge resulting from the severe lack of access to health care;
- (c) urge the Government to make public, as soon as possible, a plan to increase access to health care in Lethbridge.

## Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Jones

## Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Document dated Fall 2022, entitled “Alberta Classrooms, Pulse Research,” relating to comments made by Ms Hoffman during Oral Question Period on December 6, 2022

Sessional Paper 31/2022

Mr. Smith, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s20(2):

Report of the Auditor General, November 2022

Sessional Paper 32/2022

Hon. Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

University of Calgary Faculty of Law Blog website article dated December 6, 2022, entitled “Running Afoul the Separation, Division, and Delegation of Powers: The Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act,” prepared by Martin Olszynski and Nigel Bankes, relating to comments made by Hon. Mr. Feehan in the Assembly on December 6, 2022

Sessional Paper 33/2022

Hon. Mr. Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction, pursuant to An Act to End Predatory Lending, cE-9.5, s4(2):

An Act To End Predatory Lending, 2021 Report

Sessional Paper 34/2022

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Health:

Pursuant to the Regional Health Authorities Act, cR-10, s14(3), Alberta Health Services 2021-2022 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 35/2022

Pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

College of Alberta Psychologists 2021-2022 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 36/2022

College of Acupuncturists of Alberta Annual Report 2021-2022

Sessional Paper 37/2022

College of Hearing Aid Practitioners of Alberta 2021 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 38/2022

College of Registered Dental Hygienists of Alberta 2021 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 39/2022

Physiotherapy Alberta College and Association 2021 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 40/2022

### **Motions Under Standing Order 42**

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) acknowledge the current lack of access to health care in Lethbridge, including

- (i) the local intensive care unit at Chinook Regional Hospital being near capacity, potentially resulting in some new patients being diverted to other communities that are facing similar capacity challenges,
  - (ii) the chronic shortage of family doctors accepting new patients, resulting in an estimated 40,000 people who do not have access to primary care and are reliant on emergency care, and
  - (iii) reduced access to obstetric and birthing care due to only having one full-time obstetrician and gynaecologist working in the community;
- (b) express its concern about the negative impact on residents in Lethbridge resulting from the severe lack of access to health care;
- (c) urge the Government to make public, as soon as possible, a plan to increase access to health care in Lethbridge.

Pursuant to Standing Order 42(1.1) and (1.2), Hon. Ms Phillips and Hon. Mr. Copping commented on the request for unanimous consent.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 5 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Shandro

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Deol speaking.

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

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

### **Adjournment**

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022 — 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 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Mr. Walker, Acting 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 1 (A1) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon on December 6, 2022) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 29/2022

## Government Motions

14. Oral notice having been given December 6, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, 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 commented on the time allocation motion.

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



For the motion: 25

Copping	Lovely	Shandro
Dreeshen	Luan	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Ellis	Madu	Turton
Fir	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Walker
Guthrie	Pon	Williams
Hanson	Rehn	Wilson
Hunter	Rowswell	Yao
Jones	Schow	Yaseen
LaGrange		

Against the motion: 9

Carson	Eggen	Notley
Dach	Feehan	Phillips
Deol	Irwin	Sweet

## 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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, on December 6, 2022, that the Bill be amended as follows:

- A. Section 1 is amended by adding the following after clause (e):
  - (f) “regulation” means a regulation, order, rule, form, tariff of costs or fees, proclamation, bylaw or resolution enacted
    - (i) in the execution of a power conferred by or under the authority of an Act, or
    - (ii) by or under the authority of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, but does not include an order of a court made in the course of an action or an order made by a public officer or administrative tribunal in a dispute between 2 or more persons.
- B. Section 3(b)(ii) is struck out and the following is substituted:
  - (ii) causes or is anticipated to cause harm to Albertans on the basis that it
    - (A) affects or interferes with an area of provincial legislative jurisdiction under the Constitution of Canada, or

- (B) interferes with the rights and freedoms of one or more Albertans under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms,
- C. Section 4 is struck out and the following is substituted:

**Powers of the Lieutenant Governor in Council**

4(1) If the Legislative Assembly approves a resolution described in section 3, the Lieutenant Governor in Council, to the extent that it is necessary or advisable in order to carry out a measure that is identified in the resolution, may, by order,

- (a) if the Lieutenant Governor in Council is satisfied that doing so is in the public interest, direct a Minister responsible for an enactment as designated under section 16 of the Government Organization Act to, by order,
  - (i) suspend or modify the application or operation of all or part of a regulation authorized by that enactment, subject to the terms and conditions that the Lieutenant Governor in Council may prescribe, or
  - (ii) specify or set out provisions that apply in addition to, or instead of, any provision in a regulation authorized by that enactment,subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council,
- (b) direct a Minister to exercise a power, duty or function of the Minister, or
- (c) issue directives to a provincial entity and its members, officers and agents, and the Crown and its Ministers and agents, in respect of the federal initiative.

(2) A directive issued in accordance with subsection (1)(c) may be general or particular in its application.

(3) Where there is a conflict or inconsistency between

- (a) an order made or an order that is directed to be made under subsection (1), and
- (b) a provision of a regulation to which the order relates,

the order prevails to the extent of the conflict or inconsistency.

(4) For greater certainty, a regulation as referred to in this section does not include an Act of the Legislative Assembly.

(5) Nothing in this Act abrogates any authority or power vested in the Legislative Assembly or the Lieutenant Governor in Council by any other enactment or by operation of law, including any authority or power of the Lieutenant Governor in Council to take action with respect to the federal initiative.

Pursuant to Government Motion 14, agreed to on December 7, 2022, and Standing Order 21(1), at 9:59 p.m. the question was immediately put on amendment A1 to Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, which was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 27

Copping	Lovely	Schow
Dreeshen	Luan	Shandro
Ellis	Madu	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Fir	Neudorf	Turton
Guthrie	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Walker
Hanson	Pon	Williams
Hunter	Rehn	Wilson
Jones	Reid	Yao
LaGrange	Rowswell	Yaseen

Against the amendment: 12

Bilous	Eggen	Irwin
Carson	Feehan	Notley
Dach	Goehring	Phillips
Deol	Hoffman	Sweet

Pursuant to Government Motion 14, agreed to on December 7, 2022, and Standing Order 21(1), at 10:16 p.m. the question was immediately put on the remaining clauses of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, which was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 27

Copping	Lovely	Schow
Dreeshen	Luan	Shandro
Ellis	Madu	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Fir	Neudorf	Turton
Guthrie	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Walker
Hanson	Pon	Williams
Hunter	Rehn	Wilson
Jones	Reid	Yao
LaGrange	Rowswell	Yaseen

Against the motion: 12

Bilous	Eggen	Irwin
Carson	Feehan	Notley
Dach	Goehring	Phillips
Deol	Hoffman	Sweet

Pursuant to Government Motion 14, agreed to on December 7, 2022, and Standing Order 21(1), at 10:20 p.m. the question was immediately put on the title and preamble of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Government Motion 14, agreed to on December 7, 2022, and Standing Order 21(1), at 10:20 p.m. the question was immediately put that Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be reported, which was agreed to.

The Acting Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Mrs. 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 1 (A1) (introduced by the Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon on December 6, 2022) — Agreed to on division

Sessional Paper 29/2022

### **Third Reading**

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Mr. Madu on behalf of Hon. Ms Smith

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, on behalf of Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Third time because the Assembly is of the view that the Government has not discharged its legal duty to consult with First Nation and Indigenous peoples in respect of the potential impact of the Bill’s provisions, if enacted, would have on their rights and treaties.

Sessional Paper 41/2022

A debate followed on the amendment.

Mr. Williams moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

### **Government Motions**

15. Oral notice having been given December 6, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that when further consideration of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada 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.

Pursuant to Standing Order 21(3), Hon. Mr. Schow and Hon. Mr. Eggen commented on the time allocation motion.

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

For the motion: 26

Copping	Lovely	Shandro
Dreeshen	Luan	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Ellis	Madu	Turton
Fir	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Walker
Guthrie	Pon	Williams
Hanson	Rehn	Wilson
Hunter	Reid	Yao
Jones	Rowswell	Yaseen
LaGrange	Schow	

Against the motion: 9

Bilous	Eggen	Irwin
Carson	Feehan	Phillips
Dach	Goehring	Sweet

## Government Bills and Orders

### Third Reading

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

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Hon. Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, on behalf of Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, on December 7, 2022, that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a Third time because the Assembly is of the view that the Government has not discharged its legal duty to consult with First Nation and Indigenous peoples in respect of the potential impact of the Bill’s provisions, if enacted, would have on their rights and treaties.

Sessional Paper 41/2022

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the main motion.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, on behalf of Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, be not now read a  
Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

Sessional Paper 42/2022

A debate followed on the amendment.

Pursuant to Government Motion 15, agreed to on December 7, 2022, and Standing Order 21(1), at 12:27 a.m. the question was immediately put on the amendment to the motion for Third Reading of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, which was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 7

Bilous	Feehan	Phillips
Carson	Irwin	Sweet
Dach		

Against the amendment: 27

Copping	Loewen	Shandro
Dreeshen	Lovely	Smith (Brooks-Medicine Hat)
Ellis	Luan	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Fir	Madu	Turton
Guthrie	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Walker
Hanson	Pon	Williams
Hunter	Rehn	Wilson
Jones	Rowswell	Yao
LaGrange	Schow	Yaseen

Pursuant to Government Motion 15, agreed to on December 7, 2022, and Standing Order 21(1), at 12:44 a.m. the question was immediately put on the motion for Third Reading of Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act, which was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Cooper in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 27

Copping	Loewen	Shandro
Dreeshen	Lovely	Smith (Brooks-Medicine Hat)
Ellis	Luan	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Fir	Madu	Turton
Guthrie	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Walker
Hanson	Pon	Williams
Hunter	Rehn	Wilson
Jones	Rowswell	Yao
LaGrange	Schow	Yaseen

Against the motion: 7

Bilous	Feehan	Phillips
Carson	Irwin	Sweet
Dach		

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act — Hon. Ms Smith

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 1:01 a.m. Thursday, December 8, 2022, until 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 8, 2022

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

### **Speaker's Statement – Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medals**

The Speaker made a statement regarding the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medals, which were awarded to Members of the Legislative Assembly.

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Hanson, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul, made a statement regarding Bill 2, Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.

Hon. Mr. Hunter, Hon. Member for Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding the Government's affordability relief package.

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding homelessness and the need for more shelters and housing.

Ms Rosin, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, made a statement regarding the Government's economic accomplishments.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding the pilot rural nursing program at the Wainwright Health Centre.

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting post-secondary student costs.

## **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Ellis

Bill 203 Traffic Safety (Excessive Speeding Penalties) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Toor

Bill 204 Missing Persons (Silver Alert) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Smith

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Letter, undated, from Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, to Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting that Bill 202, Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022, be granted early consideration and called in Committee of the Whole on Monday, December 12, 2022

Sessional Paper 43/2022

## **Speaker's Statement – Request for Early Consideration of Bill 202**

Honourable Members, before we proceed to the remaining items in the Routine, I have a matter to address with the Assembly that has to do with the tabling that I just made. The Member for Peace River has requested that the Private Member's Bill that he is sponsoring, Bill 202, Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022, be granted early consideration and be called in Committee of the Whole on Monday, December 12, 2022. I have just tabled this letter.

Since this type of request has not occurred for some time, in particular during the 30th Legislature, I would like to speak a little bit about what the request entails and what past Speakers have said about such requests for early consideration.

Currently, Bill 202 is on the Order Paper, with a due date of Day 12 of Session, which equates to Monday, December 19, 2022. The Member's request is that Bill 202 be considered in Committee of the Whole this coming Monday, December 12.

There is a protocol in place that has existed since 1997, that a Member may request early consideration on their Bill so long as it has passed the previous Bill stage. In this case, that has occurred, in that Bill 202 received Second Reading this past Monday, December 5.

The other aspect of the protocol is that the Bill for which early consideration has been granted must not bump another Private Member's Bill where debate has been adjourned, the Committee has not completed the work on a Bill, or a Bill is due, according to the rules. Currently, there are no other Bills that fall into any of these categories.

Accordingly, following the practices and precedents of this Assembly, Bill 202 will be the first up for consideration in Committee of the Whole on Monday under Private Members' Public Bills.



Now I would like to make a few remarks regarding early consideration of Private Members' Bills. My predecessors repeatedly called upon House leadership to review the procedure for early consideration. This has not happened. I am mindful that the early consideration process might jeopardize the ability of Private Members' Bills to proceed through the legislative process as expeditiously as possible. Therefore, I renew previous calls of Speakers - including Speaker Wanner, Speaker Zwozdesky, and Speaker Kowalski - for a procedure that ensures that consideration of Private Members' Bills may be as fair as possible for all private Members.

For additional information – and I'm sure you'll be reading up on it this weekend – on the matter of early consideration of Private Members' Bills, I refer you to Speakers' statements from December 3, 2014; November 18, 2013; March 15, 2012; November 23, 2009; November 27, 2001; and lastly, from February 11, 1997.

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Jones

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

#### **Adjournment**

On motion by Mr. Hanson, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:41 p.m. until Monday, December 12, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Monday, December 12, 2022

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

### **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Mr. Wilson, Minister of Indigenous Relations, made a statement recognizing recent and past murders of Indigenous women and girls and regarding the Alberta Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Roadmap.

MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, commented on the statement.

**Members' Statements**

Hon. Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding the work of Government to implement the Alberta Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Roadmap.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding International Universal Health Coverage Day.

Hon. Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding efforts to protect Gull Lake from invasive Prussian carp.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the work of the Alberta Funeral Services Association.

Mr. Carson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-West Henday, made a statement regarding the need for Government to increase children's health care capacity.

Hon. Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding the value of Alberta's energy sector.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding several Government policies in contrast to those of the previous New Democratic Party Government.

**Speaker's Statement – Use of Cameras in the Chamber**

Honourable Members, before Oral Question Period begins today, I have a brief statement I would like to make. I would like to bring to the attention of the Assembly an incident that has taken place. As I understand it, photos were taken in the Chamber last week and later shared on social media.

Members will know that there is a long-standing prohibition against taking photos in the Chamber, as indicated in the procedural memo, which I sent out to all Members prior to the start of session. Page nine of the memo reads, "the use of any recording device, camera or pager, either as a stand-alone device or active on a Member's mobile device, is not permitted in the Chamber at any time."

Previous Speakers have been definitive in their approach to this matter. As Speaker Kowalski indicated on November 24, 2010:

The transgression goes to the very heart of the integrity of this Assembly and the right of [its] Members to do their work and the security and the privacy of Members in this Assembly. Cameras and the taking of pictures [are] strictly prohibited in this Assembly.

You may find these remarks on page 1478 of Alberta Hansard from November 24, 2010.

I would add to those remarks that Members, as elected officials to this Assembly, have the right to privacy and to work unimpeded. They must not be interfered with in doing their work as Members.

I will leave you with this thought on the matter. As Speaker Kowalski said, if Members would like to have a picture taken of themselves in the Chamber, contact my office and we'll arrange it.

### **Notices of Motions**

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

Bill 7 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Schow

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, on behalf of Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

Calgary Herald website article dated December 2, 2022, entitled “Varcoe: Alberta businesses not sold on benefits of ditching CPP or creating police force,” relating to comments made by Hon. Ms Phillips during Oral Question Period on December 12, 2022

Sessional Paper 44/2022

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s16(5), and the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s37(4):

Report of Selected Payments to the Members and Former Members of the Legislative Assembly and Persons Directly Associated with Members of the Legislative Assembly, Year Ended March 31, 2022

Sessional Paper 45/2022

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Shandro, Minister of Justice:

Alberta Human Rights Commission Annual Report 2021-2022

Sessional Paper 46/2022

## 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)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Williams

#### Second Reading

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

Bill 203 Traffic Safety (Excessive Speeding Penalties) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Toor

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Hon. Mr. Feehan speaking.

### Motions Other Than Government Motions

**502.** Moved by Mr. Shepherd:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly is of the view that COVID-19 vaccines are a prudent and necessary tool that allowed the economy to open more fully in 2021, and the ongoing use of these vaccines supports public health and safety, and the full operation of the economy and the education system;

And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly

- (a) affirm its trust in the science-based research, including research and vaccine development here in Alberta, that led to the creation of COVID-19 vaccines and that has saved the lives of tens of thousands of Albertans, and
- (b) reject claims that COVID-19 vaccines are bioweapons.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 25

Bilous	Jean	Rowswell
Carson	Jones	Sabir
Copping	LaGrange	Sawhney
Eggen	Luan	Schulz
Feehan	Madu	Shepherd
Glubish	Orr	Sigurdson <small>(Highwood)</small>
Goehring	Panda	Toor
Gotfried	Pon	Yaseen
Issik		

Against the motion: 0

## Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:03 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022 — 7:30 P.M.

## Government Bills and Orders

### Second Reading

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

Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Ellis

A debate followed.

Hon. Ms Ganley moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 5 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Shandro

### 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)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 39(1)(d) in order to introduce Bill 7, Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2).

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

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Oral notice having been given December 12, 2022, and the notice requirement under Standing Order 39(1)(d) having been waived by unanimous consent of the Assembly:

Bill 7 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Schow

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:40 p.m. until Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Tuesday, December 13, 2022

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

### **Members' Statements**

Hon. Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the New Democratic Party's proposal to establish a post-secondary campus in downtown Calgary.

Hon. Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding the Public Safety and Community Response Task Force.

Hon. Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Bob Neufeld.

Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows, made a statement regarding Bill 1, Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act.

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding Government actions to improve the healthcare system.

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding Human Rights Day and denouncing human rights violations occurring in Iran.

Mr. Toor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Falconridge, made a statement recognizing the value of multiculturalism.

### **Notices of Motions**

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

16. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly rescind its approval of the motion moved pursuant to Standing Order 8(8), agreed to on December 5, 2022.
17. Be it resolved that pursuant to section 3 of the Statutes Repeal Act, SA 2013, cS-19.3, the following statutes, appearing on the list of statutes to be repealed which was tabled in the Assembly by the Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of the then Minister of Justice and Solicitor General on March 14, 2022 (Sessional Paper 24/2022), not be repealed:
  1. An Act to End Predatory Lending (2016 cE-9.5) s5(2);
  2. Vital Statistics and Life Events Modernization Act (2016 c26) ss2(b), 11(a), 31, 41.
18. Be it resolved that
  - (a) the 2021-2022 Annual Report of the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate be referred to the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices for review;
  - (b) the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
  - (c) in accordance with section 21(4) of the Child and Youth Advocate Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 90 days of the report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.
19. Be it resolved that
  - (a) the 2019-2021 Annual Report of the Alberta Property Rights Advocate Office be referred to the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future for review;
  - (b) the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
  - (c) in accordance with section 5(5) of the Property Rights Advocate Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 60 days of the report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

## Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

Report, undated, entitled “2022 Lethbridge Child and Family Poverty Report: Laying the Groundwork for a Just Recovery,” prepared by the Social Health Equity Network of Lethbridge & Area

Sessional Paper 47/2022

## Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Madu, Deputy Premier, Minister of Skilled Trades and Professions, pursuant to the Land Surveyors Act, cL-3, s9(4):

Alberta Land Surveyors’ Association, Report of the Proceedings of the One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual General Meeting, April 21 to 23, 2022

Sessional Paper 48/2022

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horner, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development:

Pursuant to the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, cM-4, s14(2), Alberta Agricultural Products Marketing Council Annual Report 2021-2022

Sessional Paper 49/2022

Pursuant to the Farm Implement and Dealership Act, cF-7, s42(2), Farmers’ Advocate Office Annual Report 2021-2022

Sessional Paper 50/2022

Pursuant to the Livestock Identification and Commerce Act, cL-16.2, s90(3), Livestock Identification Services Ltd., Report to the Minister and Summary of Activities, April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022

Sessional Paper 51/2022

Pursuant to the Agriculture Financial Services Act, cA-12, s15(2), Agriculture Financial Services Corporation 2021-22 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 52/2022

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Government Bills and Orders

#### Second Reading

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

Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Jones

Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Ellis



Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 39(1) in order to proceed immediately to consideration of Government Motion 16.

### Government Motions

16. Oral notice having been given December 13, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly rescind its approval of the motion moved pursuant to Standing Order 8(8), agreed to on December 5, 2022.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(2) in order to proceed immediately to Second Reading of Bill 201, Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act.

### 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 201 Public Health Care Delivery Standards Act — Hon. Ms Notley

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 10

Bilous	Irwin	Sabir
Feehan	Nielsen	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Goehring	Notley	Sweet
Gray		

Against the motion: 32

Aheer	Madu	Schulz
Fir	McIver	Singh
Getson	Milliken	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Glubish	Nally	Stephan
Hanson	Neudorf	Toews
Horner	Nicolaides	Toor
Hunter	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Turton
Issik	Panda	van Dijken
Jean	Pitt	Williams
Long	Rutherford	Yao
Lovely	Schow	

**Adjournment**

The Assembly adjourned at 6:03 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 — 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.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Jones

Mr. Smith, Acting 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 2 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View) —  
Defeated

Sessional Paper 53/2022

**Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Shandro

**Second Reading**

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

Bill 7 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Schow

## **Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech** (Day 7)

Moved by Mr. Toor and seconded by Ms Lovely:

That an humble address be presented to Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To Her Honour the Honourable Salma Lakhani, AOE, B.Sc., LL.D (hon), the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

### **Government Motions**

10. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow on behalf of Hon. Ms Smith:

Be it resolved that the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are members of Executive Council.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:17 p.m. until Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, December 14, 2022

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

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock, made a statement regarding the Economic Development in Rural Alberta Plan.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, made a statement regarding several economic proposals from the New Democratic Party.

Hon. Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore, made a statement regarding several recent accomplishments in the Chestermere-Strathmore constituency.

Hon. Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding recent economic investments in the Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville constituency.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the need to address difficulties faced by Chinese Albertans.

Mr. Gotfried, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding the need to focus on housing affordability.

Hon. Mr. McIver, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hays, made a statement regarding the current Government's policies in contrast to those of the previous New Democratic Party Government.

### **Notices of Motions**

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bill:

Bill 206 Insurance (Private Passenger Vehicle Premium) Amendment Act, 2022 —  
Hon. Mr. Sabir

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

CTV News website article dated January 14, 2020, entitled “ ‘Ralph Bucks’  
14 years later: Could the Prosperity Bonus have saved Alberta’s bottom line?”  
Sessional Paper 54/2022

CBC News website article dated March 12, 2021, entitled “Need for speed: UCP  
MLA wants to see a 120 km/h speed limit on some Alberta highways”  
Sessional Paper 55/2022

Hon. Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

Media release dated December 14, 2022, entitled “Statement from Treaty 6 Chiefs  
RE: Treaty Six Chiefs Meeting with Premier Danielle Smith”  
Sessional Paper 56/2022

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Third Reading**

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

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

Hon. Mr. Copping 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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Ellis

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, moved that the Bill be amended in section 4, in the proposed section 1.1, by adding the following after clause (e):

(e.1) it is desirable that policing services be provided in a manner that recognizes the importance of intersectionality, anti-racism and trauma-informed practice as critical analytical frameworks for meeting the diverse needs of individuals and communities in Alberta;

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

For the amendment: 8

Bilous	Eggen	Loyola
Carson	Feehan	Sabir
Deol	Goehring	

Against the amendment: 28

Allard	Luan	Rowswell
Amery	Madu	Sawhney
Copping	Milliken	Shandro
Dreeshen	Neudorf	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Fir	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Gotfried	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Williams
Guthrie	Orr	Wilson
Issik	Pon	Yao
Jones	Rehn	Yaseen
Loewen		

**Adjournment**

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(4), the Committee recessed at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

## Government Bills and Orders

### Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Ellis

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the Bill be amended in section 29, in the proposed section 43, as follows:

- (a) in subsection (1)
  - (i) by adding “Subject to subsections (2) and (2.1),” immediately before “The chief executive officer of the Police Review Commission shall”, and
  - (ii) by striking out “one year” and substituting “2 years”;
- (b) by adding the following immediately after subsection (2):

(2.1) The chief executive officer of the Police Review Commission must not dismiss any Level 2 or Level 3 complaint under subsection (1) if the complaint relates to

  - (a) sexual assault or battery,
  - (b) any misconduct of a sexual nature, other than a sexual assault or battery, if, when the subject matter of the complaint occurred,
    - (i) the complainant was a minor,
    - (ii) the complainant was in an intimate relationship with the person who is the subject of the complaint,
    - (iii) the complainant was dependant, whether financially, emotionally, physically or otherwise, with the person who is the subject of the complaint, or
    - (iv) the complainant was a person under disability.
- (c) by striking out subsection (4) and substituting the following:

(4) If a complainant in a Level 2 or Level 3 complaint refuses or fails to participate in an investigation, the chief executive officer of the Police Review Commission may dismiss the complaint if

  - (a) the complainant has been provided with a reasonable opportunity to participate in the investigation, and

- (b) the chief executive officer is satisfied that the refusal or failure of the complainant to participate is not the result of intimidation by the person who is the subject of the complaint.

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

For the amendment: 7

Dach	Irwin	Renaud
Deol	Pancholi	Shepherd
Gray		

Against the amendment: 26

Aheer	Loewen	Singh
Allard	Long	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Amery	Lovely	Stephan
Fir	Milliken	Toor
Getson	Nally	Turton
Horner	Neudorf	van Dijken
Hunter	Rowswell	Walker
Issik	Rutherford	Yao
Jean	Schow	

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

The following Bills were reported:

- Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Jones  
 Bill 5 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Shandro  
 Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Ellis  
 Bill 7 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Schow

Mr. Yao, 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 6 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall) —  
 Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 57/2022

Amendment to Bill 6 (A2) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall) —  
 Defeated

Sessional Paper 58/2022

Amendment to Bill 6 (A3) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows on  
 behalf of the Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 59/2022

Amendment to Bill 6 (A4) (Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 60/2022

### Third Reading

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

Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Amery on behalf of Hon. Mr. Jones

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

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

Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Neudorf on behalf of Hon. Mr. Ellis

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

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Copping

Bill 5 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Bill 7 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Schow

### Government Motions

17. Oral notice having been given December 13, 2022, 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 statutes, appearing on the list of statutes to be repealed which was tabled in the Assembly by the Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of the then Minister of Justice and Solicitor General on March 14, 2022 (Sessional Paper 24/2022), not be repealed:

1. An Act to End Predatory Lending (2016 cE-9.5) s5(2);
2. Vital Statistics and Life Events Modernization Act (2016 c26) ss2(b), 11(a), 31, 41.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

18. Oral notice having been given December 13, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that

- (a) the 2021-2022 Annual Report of the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate be referred to the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices for review;
- (b) the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;



- (c) in accordance with section 21(4) of the Child and Youth Advocate Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 90 days of the report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

19. Oral notice having been given December 13, 2022, moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that

- (a) the 2019-2021 Annual Report of the Alberta Property Rights Advocate Office be referred to the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future for review;
- (b) the Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned or prorogued;
- (c) in accordance with section 5(5) of the Property Rights Advocate Act, the Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 60 days of the report being referred to it if the Assembly is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:10 p.m. until Thursday, December 15, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Thursday, December 15, 2022

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

## **Members' Statements**

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, made a statement regarding the New Democratic Party's job creation and economic development plan.

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding the current Government's policies in contrast to those of the previous New Democratic Party Government.

Ms Rosin, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, made a statement and read a poem regarding Government actions and the conduct of the Official Opposition during the past year.

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the need for a new CT scanner at the Misericordia Hospital.

Hon. Ms Pon, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington, made a statement regarding Government policies to promote economic growth.

Mr. Reid, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding federal government policies affecting farming.

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, made a statement regarding the Government's plan to centralize victim support services.

### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, presented a petition from 192 students urging the Government to initiate procedures for amending the Constitution Act, 1867, to redefine primary production of a non-renewable natural resource.

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 205 Official Sport of Alberta Act — Ms Lovely

Oral notice having been given December 14, 2022:

Bill 206 Insurance (Private Passenger Vehicle Premium) Amendment Act, 2022 —  
Hon. Mr. Sabir

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Jean, Minister of Jobs, Economy and Northern Development, pursuant to the Northern Alberta Development Council Act, cN-4, s8:

Northern Alberta Development Council 2021-2022 Annual Report  
Sessional Paper 61/2022

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

Document, undated, entitled "AHS Workforce Challenges," relating to comments made by Hon. Ms Hoffman during Oral Question Period on December 15, 2022  
Sessional Paper 62/2022

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead:

Copy of a petition from the citizens of Whitecourt to the Hon. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly regarding the substandard conditions of the Whitecourt Healthcare Centre and requesting that the Whitecourt Healthcare Centre be put on high priority for complete replacement  
Sessional Paper 63/2022

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, on behalf of Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud:

Letter dated November 11, 2022, from Paola Andrea Fernandez de Soto Abdul-Rahin to Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, expressing concern regarding limitations placed on unions regarding their ability to support social causes and organizations

Sessional Paper 64/2022

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 8(2) and 9(1) in order to proceed immediately to Third Reading of Bill 202, Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022.

### **Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Williams

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 8(2) and 9(1) in order to proceed immediately to Second Reading of Bill 206, Insurance (Private Passenger Vehicle Premium) Amendment Act, 2022.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Jones

Bill 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022 — Hon. Mr. Ellis

## Royal Assent

Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Assembly and being seated on the Throne,

The Acting Speaker addressed Her Honour in the following words:

May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly has, at its present sitting, passed certain Bills to which, and in the name of the Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Acting Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the Bills that had been passed as follows:

- 1 Alberta Sovereignty Within a United Canada Act
  - 2 Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022
  - 3 Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act, 2022
  - 4 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 2022
  - 5 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2)
  - 6 Police Amendment Act, 2022
  - 7 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2)
- 202 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Charitable and Other Gifts) Amendment Act, 2022

To these Bills, Royal Assent was announced by the Acting Clerk of the Assembly in the following words:

In His Majesty's name, Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Bills.

Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then delivered some festive remarks to the Assembly.

Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Assembly.

## Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 4, agreed to on November 30, 2022, and on advice from Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, to the Assembly that the business for the Fall Sitting is concluded, the Assembly adjourned at 4:05 p.m. until February 2023.

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**SPRING SITTING**

FEBRUARY 28, 2023, TO MARCH 23, 2023

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Tuesday, February 28, 2023

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

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding New Democratic Party proposals concerning primary health care.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the Government's economic accomplishments.

Hon. Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding the Government's economic accomplishments.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding the Government's priorities.

Hon. Mrs. Allard, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding the proposed Maskwa Medical Centre.

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, made a statement regarding the invasion of Ukraine by Russia.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding proposed federal government policies concerning the oil and gas sector.

### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, presented a petition from 480 Albertans urging the Government to comprehensively address the educational infrastructure in the southwest Edmonton community of Edgemont.

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader:

2023-24 Main Estimates Schedule, Fourth Session, 30th Legislature  
Sessional Paper 81/2022-23

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Government Motions

20. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the Assembly stand adjourned at the conclusion of its sitting on February 28, 2023, and reconvene on March 6, 2023.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

### Temporary Recess

The Speaker recessed the Assembly at 2:48 p.m. until 3:15 p.m.

### Budget Address / Messages From Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, delivered certain Messages from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Messages to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following budget-related documents:

Pursuant to the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, cF-14.7, s4.1(1):

2023-24 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, General Revenue Fund  
Sessional Paper 82/2022-23

2023-24 Government Estimates, General Revenue Fund  
Sessional Paper 83/2022-23

Pursuant to the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, cF-14.7, s1(2), s5(4):

Budget 2023, Government of Alberta 2023-26 Strategic Plan  
Sessional Paper 84/2022-23

Budget 2023, Ministry Business Plans  
Sessional Paper 85/2022-23



## Government Motions

Prior to moving Government Motion 21, Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following budget-related document, pursuant to the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, cF-14.7, s1(2), s4(4):

Budget 2023, Fiscal Plan 2023-26

Sessional Paper 86/2022-23

**21.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

A debate followed.

Hon. Ms Gray moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

## Intersessional Deposits

Pursuant to Standing Order 38.1(3), the following documents were deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly and are deemed to have been laid before the Assembly:

Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Health:

Pursuant to the Health Quality Council of Alberta Act, cH-7.2, s24(2), Health Quality Council of Alberta Annual Report 2021-22, deposited on December 16, 2022

Sessional Paper 65/2022

Pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2), College of Chiropractors of Alberta 2021-22 Report to Government, deposited on December 16, 2022:

Sessional Paper 66/2022

Hon. Mr. Luan, Minister of Culture, pursuant to the Alberta Foundation for the Arts Act, cA-19, s14(2):

Alberta Foundation for the Arts 2021-22 Annual Report, deposited on December 16, 2022

Sessional Paper 67/2022

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act, cG-1, s30(2):

Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Annual Report 2021-22, deposited on December 19, 2022

Sessional Paper 68/2022

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s39(3):

Special Standing Committee on Members' Services Members' Group Life Insurance and Members' Group Plans Amendment Order, 2022, Order No. MSC 02/22, deposited on December 19, 2022

Sessional Paper 69/2022

Special Standing Committee on Members' Services Miscellaneous (Schedules) Amendment Order, 2022, Order No. MSC 03/22, deposited on December 19, 2022

Sessional Paper 70/2022

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan Act, cM-12, s4:

Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 2022, deposited on December 22, 2022

Sessional Paper 71/2022

Hon. Mr. Jeremy Nixon, Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services, 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 Annual Report 2021-2022, deposited on January 6, 2023

Sessional Paper 72/2022-23

Mr. van Dijken, Chair, Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, pursuant to Government Motion 19, agreed to on December 14, 2022:

Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, Final Report, Review of the Property Rights Advocate Office 2019-2021 Annual Report, Thirtieth Legislature, Fourth Session, January 2023, deposited on January 19, 2023

Sessional Paper 73/2022-23

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s39(3):

Members' Services Committee Order No. MSC 01/23, Constituency Services Amendment Order 2023, deposited on January 31, 2023

Sessional Paper 74/2022-23

Hon. Mr. Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction, pursuant to the Red Tape Reduction Act, cR-8.2, s2(2):

Red Tape Reduction Annual Report 2021-2022, deposited on February 10, 2023

Sessional Paper 75/2022-23

Mr. Smith, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s20(2):

Report of the Auditor General of Alberta dated February 2023, entitled “Alberta Health, Alberta Health Services, COVID-19 in Continuing Care Facilities,” deposited on February 23, 2023

Sessional Paper 78/2022-23

Report of the Auditor General of Alberta dated February 2023, entitled “Assessment of Implementation Report: Alberta Health, Alberta Health Services, Seniors Care in Long-term Care,” deposited on February 23, 2023

Sessional Paper 79/2022-23

Mr. Smith, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to Government Motion 18, agreed to on December 14, 2022:

Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, Report on the Review of the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate 2021-2022 Annual Report, February 2023, deposited on February 27, 2023

Sessional Paper 80/2022-23

## **Adjournment**

Pursuant to Government Motion 20, agreed to on February 28, 2023, and on motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:51 p.m. until Monday, March 6, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Monday, March 6, 2023

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member Hon. Mike Cardinal, Member for Athabasca-Lac La Biche, 1989 to 1993, Member for Athabasca-Wabasca, 1993 to 2004, and Member for Athabasca-Redwater, 2004 to 2008, who passed away on January 12, 2023.

## **Speaker’s Statement – Member’s Anniversary**

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of the 15th anniversary of Hon. Ms Notley, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, who was elected to the Legislative Assembly on March 3, 2008. The Speaker presented the Member with a 15-year Mace pin.

## **Members’ Statements**

Mr. Singh, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the proposed Budget 2023.

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement regarding Government polices affecting health care.

Hon. Ms Issik, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Joan Snyder.

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding the Rolling Barrage motorcycle rally.

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding World Hearing Day.

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, made a statement regarding Recovery Energy Services Inc.

Mr. Barnes, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding the Government's economic policies.

### **Notices of Motions**

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

Bill 8 Alberta Firearms Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Copping, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College of Paramedics 2021-2022 Annual Report  
Sessional Paper 87/2022-23

College and Association of Respiratory Therapists of Alberta Annual Report 2021-2022  
Sessional Paper 88/2022-23

College of Dental Technologists of Alberta 2021 Annual Report  
Sessional Paper 89/2022-23

**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 203 Traffic Safety (Excessive Speeding Penalties) Amendment Act, 2022 —  
Mr. Toor

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 32

Aheer	Jones	Schulz
Amery	Lovely	Shepherd
Ceci	Milliken	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Dach	Nally	Singh
Getson	Nielsen	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Glubish	Orr	Stephan
Gray	Pon	Toor
Horner	Reid	Turton
Hunter	Rowswell	van Dijken
Issik	Rutherford	Yao
Jean	Savage	

Against the motion: 0

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

Bill 204 Missing Persons (Silver Alert) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Smith

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Nielsen speaking.

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

Bill 203 Traffic Safety (Excessive Speeding Penalties) Amendment Act, 2022 —  
Mr. Toor

## Motions Other Than Government Motions

503. Moved by Hon. Ms Sigurdson:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government

- (a) to consider taking immediate action to reduce costs to seniors related to medical benefits, long-term care, continuing care, home care, assisted living, drivers' licence medical exams, and other basic essentials that have increased dramatically since 2019; and
- (b) to create an independent office of the Seniors' Advocate, the mandate of which would include
  - (i) helping seniors navigate provincial public services,
  - (ii) providing policy and affordability recommendations related to seniors to the Government, and
  - (iii) conducting reviews on providers of services to seniors to ensure seniors' needs are met.

A debate followed.

Hon. MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute.

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

For the motion: 7

Ceci	Irwin	Shepherd
Dach	Nielsen	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Gray		

Against the motion: 29

Aheer	Lovely	Schulz
Amery	McIver	Singh
Ellis	Nally	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Getson	Nicolaides	Stephan
Glubish	Orr	Toor
Horner	Pon	Turton
Hunter	Reid	van Dijken
Issik	Rowswell	Williams
Jean	Rutherford	Yao
Jones	Savage	

## Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 6:06 p.m. until Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Tuesday, March 7, 2023

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

## Members' Statements

Hon. Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the need for funding for the City of Calgary in the proposed Budget 2023.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding CASA Mental Health and youth mental health supports.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the relationship between Alberta and Japan.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting health care.

Hon. Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding the recent disastrous earthquakes in Turkey and Syria.

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the need to protect the investments of Albertans in the Canada Pension Plan.

Hon. Mr. McIver, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hays, made a statement regarding the proposed Budget 2023.

## Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Hon. Ms Phillips, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the following report:

2022 Annual Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Thirtieth Legislature, Fourth Session, February 2023

Sessional Paper 90/2022-23

Mr. Hanson, Chair, Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, Report on Presentation by Southern Alberta Alternative Energy Partnership and Energy Futures Lab, February 2, 2023, Thirtieth Legislature, Fourth Session, February 2023

Sessional Paper 91/2022-23

**Notices of Motions**

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

Bill 9 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Nally

**Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Oral notice having been given March 6, 2023:

Bill 8 Alberta Firearms Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro

**Apology by Member**

Hon. Mr. Neudorf, Deputy Premier, Minister of Infrastructure, made a statement apologizing for comments he made during Oral Question Period on March 7, 2023.

**Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Madu, Deputy Premier, Minister of Skilled Trades and Professions, pursuant to the Engineering and Geoscience Professions Act, cE-11, s87(4):

Association of Science and Engineering Technology Professionals of Alberta  
Annual Report 2021

Sessional Paper 92/2022-23

**Adjournment**

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 2:48 p.m. until Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 8, 2023

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

**Deputy Speaker's Statement – International Women's Day**

The Deputy Speaker made a statement recognizing March 8, 2023, as International Women's Day, and noted that today the Presiding Officer and all the Table Officers are women.

**Members' Statements**

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting child care.



MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, made a statement regarding International Women's Day.

Hon. Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding International Women's Day.

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

Hon. Ms Hoffinan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement regarding a New Democratic Party proposal to provide universal coverage for prescription contraception.

Hon. Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding the Protection of Students with Life-threatening Allergies Act.

Hon. Mrs. Aheer, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore, made a statement regarding the economic impacts of sexual assault.

### **Notices of Motions**

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

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Oral notice having been given March 7, 2023:

Bill 9 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Nally

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West:

CBC News website article dated October 5, 2018, entitled "AHS report shows need for better cardiac services outside of Calgary, Edmonton"

Sessional Paper 93/2022-23

CBC News website article dated October 1, 2018, entitled "Lethbridge doctors hope life-saving cardiac treatment comes to their hospital soon"

Sessional Paper 94/2022-23

**Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Shandro, Minister of Justice:

Abridged version of the speech delivered by Canada-Ukraine Foundation Board member and Ukrainian-Canadian community activist Bohdan Romaniuk on February 24, 2023, at the Calgary Vigil commemorating the first anniversary of the war in Ukraine

Sessional Paper 95/2022-23

Pursuant to the Statutes Repeal Act, cS-19.3, s2(1), report, undated, entitled “Statutes Repeal Act – 2023 List”

Sessional Paper 96/2022-23

**Adjournment**

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 2:51 p.m. until Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Thursday, March 9, 2023

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Member Hon. Milton Pahl, Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, 1979 to 1986, who passed away on March 1, 2023.

**Members’ Statements**

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding New Democratic Party economic proposals for the St. Albert constituency.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie-East, made a statement regarding Government efforts to increase affordable housing.

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding multiculturalism and Canadian culture.

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

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement regarding the criminal justice system.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement regarding Government accomplishments in the Spruce Grove-Stony Plain constituency.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding unpaid property taxes in rural municipalities.

**Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and oral notice having been given March 8, 2023:

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

**Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

Chart, undated, entitled “Alberta Highway Governance & Funding Authority Future State,” prepared by the Alberta Roadbuilders & Heavy Construction Association, relating to comments made by Mr. Dach during 2023-24 Main Estimates consideration, Ministry of Transportation and Economic Corridors, on March 8, 2023

Sessional Paper 97/2022-23

Map dated October 31, 2018, entitled “Alberta Provincial Bus Service,” prepared by Alberta Transportation, relating to comments made by Mr. Dach during 2023-24 Main Estimates consideration, Ministry of Transportation and Economic Corridors, on March 8, 2023

Sessional Paper 98/2022-23

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland:

The Lancet website article dated February 16, 2023, entitled “Past SARS-CoV-2 infection protection against re-infection: a systematic review and meta-analysis”

Sessional Paper 99/2022-23

**Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Insurance Act, cI-3, s601(2):

Automobile Insurance Rate Board Annual Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Sessional Paper 100/2022-23

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Government Motions

22. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), commencing on March 20, 2023, and for the duration of the 2023 Spring Sitting of the Fourth Session of the 30th Legislature, the Assembly shall meet on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for consideration of Government business unless the Government House Leader notifies the Assembly that there shall be no evening sitting that day by providing notice under Notices of Motions in the Daily Routine or at any time prior to 6 p.m.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

### Government Bills and Orders

#### Second Reading

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

Bill 8 Alberta Firearms Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro

### Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:47 p.m. until Monday, March 13, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Monday, March 13, 2023

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

### Speaker's Statement – Commonwealth Day

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of Commonwealth Day 2023 and the 10th anniversary of the Commonwealth Charter.

### Members' Statements

Hon. Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding the Government's economic strategy to attract workers from Atlantic Canada and Ontario.

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to respond to hate crimes against the Muslim community.

Mr. Reid, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of David Frank Friesen.

Mr. Toor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Falconridge, made a statement regarding funding for Calgary in the proposed Budget 2023.

Mr. Stephan, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding the benefits of living in Alberta.

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, made a statement regarding comments by the Premier concerning health care.

Mr. Dang, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement reflecting on his time as a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Ms Schulz, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Government Organization Act, cG-10, sch10, s10(3):

Alberta Boilers Safety Association Annual Report for the Year Ending October 31, 2022

Sessional Paper 101/2022-23

Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Note dated March 13, 2023, from Hon. Mr. Cooper, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, to Hon. Mr. Neudorf, Deputy Premier, Minister of Infrastructure, expressing birthday wishes to Hon. Mr. Neudorf

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Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 41(5.2) in order to introduce an amendment during debate on Motion Other Than a Government Motion 504 this afternoon.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

## **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 205 Official Sport of Alberta Act — Ms Lovely

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Hon. Mr. Eggen speaking.

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

Bill 204 Missing Persons (Silver Alert) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Smith

### Motions Other Than Government Motions

504. Moved by Mr. Gotfried on behalf of Mr. Yao (replaced):

*Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly condemn antisemitism, as defined by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Plenary on May 26, 2016, with the Lieutenant Governor in Council adopting that definition on September 23, 2022, through its making of Order in Council 317/2022, to mean a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews, along with rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism directed towards Jewish or non-Jewish individuals or their property or toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities;*

*And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide clear direction that the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Plenary's definition of antisemitism, along with its illustrative examples, be adopted by all ministries, publicly funded school boards and post-secondary institutions, public agencies, boards and commissions, and other publicly funded, legislated or regulated entities under the authority of the Province so that these entities may better recognize and act against any instances of antisemitism as defined;*

*And be it further resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Minister responsible*

- (a) to prepare a report on an annual basis following each calendar year that sets out the level and extent of antisemitic acts that have been publicly reported to have occurred in the Province during that year, and*
- (b) to table in the Legislative Assembly, at that Minister's first opportunity, the report referred to in paragraph (a).*

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 27

Allard	Hunter	Rutherford
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Issik	Schmidt
Carson	Jones	Schulz
Dach	Long	Singh
Feehan	Lovely	Stephan
Fir	Madu	Turton
Gotfried	McIver	van Dijken
Hanson	Milliken	Walker
Horner	Neudorf	Yao

Against the motion: 0

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Rutherford, Minister without Portfolio, the Assembly adjourned at 5:53 p.m. until Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Tuesday, March 14, 2023

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

## **Members' Statements**

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting affordability.

Ms Lovely, Hon. Member for Camrose, made a statement regarding investments in healthcare training programs in the proposed Budget 2023.

Hon. Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding Agriculture Safety Week.

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the Government's economic policies.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding Albertan volunteers providing support to Ukrainian refugees.

Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows, made a statement regarding Government healthcare policies and the proposed South Edmonton Hospital.

Mr. Rowswell, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster-Wainwright, made a statement regarding federal government policies affecting the oil and gas industry.

## **Notices of Motions**

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bill:

Bill 207 Jobs and Investment Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Notices of Motions.

**Notices of Motions**

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, gave oral notice of the intention to introduce the following Bill:

Bill 207 Jobs and Investment Incentives Proposal Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen

**Adjournment**

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 2:54 p.m. until Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 15, 2023

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

**Members' Statements**

Hon. Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding student transportation funding in the proposed Budget 2023.

Hon. Ms Phillips, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the proposed Budget 2023.

Mrs. Pitt, Hon. Member for Airdrie-East, made a statement regarding economic policies of the previous New Democratic Party Government and the proposed Budget 2023.

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement recognizing the Royal Canadian Legion.

Hon. Mr. Feehan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting affordability.

Hon. Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding Government accomplishments.

Hon. Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont, made a statement regarding the proposed Budget 2023.

**Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Oral notice having been given March 14, 2023:

Bill 207 Jobs and Investment Incentives Proposal Act — Hon. Mr. Eggen



## Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Government of Alberta Corporation/Non-Profit Search dated March 14, 2023, for the legal entity name “Sustaining Alberta’s Energy Network Ltd.”

Sessional Paper 103/2022-23

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River:

Copy of a petition signed by thousands of Albertans urging the Government to pass legislation that will expand the influence of Alberta Adoption Services, promote counselling for women in unplanned pregnancies, and consider increasing the emergency allowance

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## Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Provincial Judges and Masters in Chambers Registered and Unregistered Pension Plans Regulation, AR 196/2001, sch1, s5(1), and sch2, s5(1):

Provincial Judges and Masters in Chambers Registered and Unregistered Pension Plans 2020-21 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 105/2022-23

## Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(5)(b), the Assembly adjourned at 2:50 p.m. until Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Thursday, March 16, 2023

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of Edmonton Police Service Constables Travis Jordan and Brett Ryan, who were tragically killed in the line of duty on the morning of March 16, 2023.

## Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Ellis, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services, made a statement regarding Edmonton Police Service Constables Travis Jordan and Brett Ryan, who were tragically killed in the line of duty on March 16, 2023.

Hon. Ms Notley, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

## **Members' Statements**

Mr. Dach, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the affordability of vehicle insurance premiums.

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the tragic loss of two Edmonton Police Service Constables who were killed in the line of duty on March 16, 2023.

Hon. Ms Issik, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement regarding the Transition to Adulthood Program.

Hon. Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West, made a statement regarding the value of investing in Edmonton.

Hon. Ms Pon, Hon. Member for Calgary-Beddington, made a statement regarding the tragic loss of two Edmonton Police Service Constables who were killed in the line of duty on March 16, 2023.

Hon. Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement regarding federal government policies impacting the oil and gas industry.

Mr. Nielsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding Bill 9, Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023.

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Williams, Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the following petition for Private Bills:

of Dr. Shawn Flynn, President of St. Joseph's College for the St. Joseph's College Amendment Act, 2023

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Message From Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor**

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, tabled the following documents pursuant to the Fiscal Planning and Transparency Act, cF-14.7, ss1(2) and 4(5):

2022-23 Supplementary Supply Estimates, General Revenue Fund  
Sessional Paper 106/2022-23

2022-23 Fiscal Plan Update  
Sessional Paper 107/2022-23

## **Government Motions**

**23.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

Be it resolved that the Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2022-23 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**24.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Toews:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 61(2), the Committee of Supply shall be called to consider the 2022-23 Supplementary Supply Estimates for three hours on Monday, March 20, 2023.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for Committee of Supply this afternoon, including for the first division.

## **Committee of Supply (Main Estimates)**

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

(Assembly in Committee)

Mr. van Dijken, Chair, Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Alberta's Economic Future has reviewed the 2023-24 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Executive Council; Advanced Education; Culture; Forestry, Parks and Tourism; Infrastructure; Jobs, Economy and Northern Development; Skilled Trades and Professions; Technology and Innovation; and Trade, Immigration and Multiculturalism.

Ms Lovely, Chair, Standing Committee on Families and Communities, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Families and Communities has reviewed the 2023-24 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Children's Services; Education; Health; Justice; Mental Health and Addiction; Public Safety and Emergency Services; Seniors, Community and Social Services; and Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction.

Mr. Hanson, Chair, Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship, presented the following report:

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.01(10), the Standing Committee on Resource Stewardship has reviewed the 2023-24 proposed estimates and business plans for the Ministries of Affordability and Utilities; Agriculture and Irrigation; Energy; Environment and Protected Areas; Indigenous Relations; Municipal Affairs; Transportation and Economic Corridors; and Treasury Board and Finance.

The question being put on the resolutions for the 2023-24 Government Estimates, General Revenue Fund for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024, the motion was agreed to. With Mrs. Pitt at the Table, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 37

Aheer	Long	Rowswell
Allard	Lovely	Savage
Amery	Madu	Sawhney
Dreeshen	Nally	Schow
Fir	Neudorf	Sigurdson (Highwood)
Getson	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Glubish	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Stephan
Gotfried	Orr	Toews
Guthrie	Panda	Turton
Hanson	Pon	van Dijken
Hunter	Reid	Williams
LaGrange	Rosin	Yaseen
Loewen		

Against the motion: 8

Bilous	Feehan	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Carson	Loyola	Sweet
Eggen	Sabir	

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mrs. Pitt reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions relating to the 2023-24 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, General Revenue Fund, and the 2023-24 Government Estimates, General Revenue Fund, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to His Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024:

<b>Support to the Legislative Assembly</b>	\$76,763,000
<b>Office of the Auditor General</b>	\$29,620,000
<b>Office of the Ombudsman</b>	\$4,480,000
<b>Office of the Chief Electoral Officer</b>	\$42,397,000
<b>Office of the Ethics Commissioner</b>	\$1,000,000
<b>Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</b>	\$8,534,000
<b>Office of the Child and Youth Advocate</b>	\$16,205,000
<b>Office of the Public Interest Commissioner</b>	\$1,410,000
<b>Advanced Education</b>	
Expense	\$2,416,985,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,060,100,000
<b>Affordability and Utilities</b>	
Expense	\$87,128,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000
Financial Transactions	\$96,970,000
<b>Agriculture and Irrigation</b>	
Expense	\$679,936,000
Capital Investment	\$7,177,000
<b>Children's Services</b>	
Expense	\$2,319,912,000
Capital Investment	\$10,000,000
<b>Culture</b>	
Expense	\$301,380,000
Capital Investment	\$2,331,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,710,000
<b>Education</b>	
Expense	\$5,479,943,000
Capital Investment	\$565,000
Financial Transactions	\$18,920,000
<b>Energy</b>	
Expense	\$571,581,000
Capital Investment	\$1,000,000

**Environment and Protected Areas**

Expense	\$553,936,000
Capital Investment	\$59,396,000
Financial Transactions	\$100,000

**Executive Council**

Expense	\$35,245,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000

**Forestry, Parks and Tourism**

Expense	\$397,957,000
Capital Investment	\$85,110,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,310,000

**Health**

Expense	\$25,037,760,000
Capital Investment	\$28,865,000
Financial Transactions	\$88,876,000

**Indigenous Relations**

Expense	\$225,693,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000

**Infrastructure**

Expense	\$477,704,000
Capital Investment	\$1,692,856,000
Financial Transactions	\$28,114,000

**Jobs, Economy and Northern Development**

Expense	\$249,693,000
Capital Investment	\$1,970,000

**Justice**

Expense	\$648,842,000
Capital Investment	\$17,816,000

**Mental Health and Addiction**

Expense	\$275,005,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000

**Municipal Affairs**

Expense	\$993,931,000
Capital Investment	\$600,000

**Public Safety and Emergency Services**

Expense	\$1,107,941,000
Capital Investment	\$6,275,000
Financial Transactions	\$4,196,000

**Seniors, Community and Social Services**

Expense	\$5,066,076,000
Capital Investment	\$4,072,000
Financial Transactions	\$19,700,000

**Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction**

Expense	\$143,677,000
Capital Investment	\$45,520,000
Financial Transactions	\$5,500,000

**Skilled Trades and Professions**

Expense	\$218,811,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000

**Technology and Innovation**

Expense	\$948,075,000
Capital Investment	\$112,385,000

**Trade, Immigration and Multiculturalism**

Expense	\$85,874,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000

**Transportation and Economic Corridors**

Expense	\$1,722,148,000
Capital Investment	\$1,837,114,000
Financial Transactions	\$134,644,000

**Treasury Board and Finance**

Expense	\$240,261,000
Capital Investment	\$25,000
Contingency	\$1,500,000,000

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

**Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 11 Appropriation Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

**Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:19 p.m. until Monday, March 20, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Monday, March 20, 2023

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

### **Speaker's Statement – International Francophonie Day**

The Speaker made a statement recognizing March 20, 2023, as International Francophonie Day.

### **Members' Statements**

Hon. Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding the 2023 Premier's Summit on Fairness for Newcomers.

Hon. Ms Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding her grandson Henry and New Democratic Party policies.

Hon. Ms Fir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Peigan, made a statement regarding The Secret 3K, a race organized by the Girl Guides of Canada to promote women in sports.

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock, made a statement regarding Government investment in the agriculture industry.

Ms Renaud, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding International Francophonie Day (remarks made in French).

Mr. Yao, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting supports for mental health and addiction.

Hon. Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the current Government's policies in contrast to those of the New Democratic Party.

## **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)

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



The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 203 Traffic Safety (Excessive Speeding Penalties) Amendment Act, 2022 —  
Mr. Toor

Mr. Long, Acting 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 203 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Falconridge) —  
Agreed to

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Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 8(7)(c) and 9(1) in order to proceed immediately to Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 204, Missing Persons (Silver Alert) Amendment Act, 2022.

### **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)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 204 Missing Persons (Silver Alert) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Smith

Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly that it be called 5:00 p.m. and that the Assembly proceed to consideration of Motions Other Than Government Motions.

### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

**505.** Moved by Hon. Mr. Schmidt (replaced):

*Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly*

*(a) endorse the principle of polluter pays; and*

*(b) oppose the use of Government revenue to incentivize the clean-up of abandoned oil and gas infrastructure by companies that are legally responsible for that clean-up.*

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 5

Dach	Gray	Schmidt
Deol	Irwin	

Against the motion: 25

Fir	Lovely	Schow
Getson	Nally	Singh
Glubish	Neudorf	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Guthrie	Nicolaides	Toor
Hunter	Nixon (Calgary-Klein)	Turton
Issik	Pon	van Dijken
Jean	Rosin	Yao
Loewen	Rutherford	Yaseen
Long		

## Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 6:13 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2023 — 7:30 P.M.

Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow members of Executive Council to sit and speak from any seat in the Chamber for the remainder of the evening.

## Committee of Supply (Supplementary Supply Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Walker reported as follows:

Madam Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the 2022-23 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to His Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, for the purposes indicated:

### Advanced Education

Financial Transactions	\$11,626,000
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**Affordability and Utilities**

Expense	\$354,932,000
Financial Transactions	\$254,236,000

**Agriculture and Irrigation**

Expense	\$2,750,000
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**Children's Services**

Expense	\$7,200,000
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**Culture**

Expense	\$1,088,000
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**Education**

Expense	\$81,937,000
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**Energy**

Expense	\$636,218,000
Capital Investment	\$500,000

**Environment and Protected Areas**

Expense	\$68,399,000
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**Executive Council**

Expense	\$5,938,000
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**Health**

Expense	\$553,221,000
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**Indigenous Relations**

Expense	\$9,688,000
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**Infrastructure**

Expense	\$11,230,000
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**Justice**

Expense	\$91,937,000
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**Mental Health and Addiction**

Expense	\$21,130,000
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**Public Safety and Emergency Services**

Expense	\$50,052,000
Financial Transactions	\$1,000,000

**Seniors, Community and Social Services**

Expense	\$46,771,000
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**Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction**

Expense	\$2,000,000
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**Technology and Innovation**

Financial Transactions	\$25,000,000
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**Treasury Board and Finance**

Expense	\$753,000,000
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Committee of Supply has also approved the following amounts to be transferred:

Transfer from <b>Technology and Innovation</b> Expense vote to <b>Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction</b> Expense vote	\$2,069,000
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Transfer from <b>Forestry, Parks and Tourism</b> Expense vote to <b>Agriculture and Irrigation</b> Expense vote	\$2,000,000
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Transfer from <b>Technology and Innovation</b> Capital Investment vote to <b>Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction</b> Capital Investment vote	\$20,111,000
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The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

**Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 12 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

**Adjournment**

On motion by Mr. Williams, Hon. Member for Peace River, the Assembly adjourned at 9:13 p.m. until Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

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

**Members' Statements**

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, made a statement recognizing the 75th anniversary of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 955.

Hon. Ms Armstrong-Homeniuk, Hon. Member for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, made a statement regarding Government efforts to support Ukrainian refugees.

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding Stollery Day.

Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows, made a statement regarding International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Mr. Getson, Hon. Member for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, made a statement regarding federal government policies affecting the oil and gas industry.

Hon. Ms Ganley, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement expressing opposition to any Government-sponsored incentivization plan for oil and gas well cleanup.

Mr. Stephan, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement regarding the benefits of living in Alberta.

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 11 Appropriation Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

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

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

Bill 12 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

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

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

Bill 9 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Nally

A debate followed.

Hon. Ms Hoffman moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, MLA Irwin speaking.

### **Adjournment**

The Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 — 7:30 P.M.

**Government Bills and Orders****Second Reading**

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

Bill 9 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Nally

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

**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)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 8 Alberta Firearms Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro

**Second Reading**

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

Bill 11 Appropriation Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Bill 12 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

**Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:41 p.m. until Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 22, 2023

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

**Speaker's Statement – Special Edition of Alberta Hansard**

The Speaker made a statement regarding the special edition of Alberta Hansard published for the special sitting of the Assembly held on September 15, 2022, in recognition of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

**Members' Statements**

Hon. Ms Issik, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting affordability.

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, made a statement regarding Ramadan.

Hon. Mr. McIver, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hays, made a statement regarding policies of the previous New Democratic Party Government.

Mr. Reid, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding tourist destinations in the Livingstone-Macleod constituency.

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding Government policies affecting rural Albertans.

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, made a statement regarding Eavor Technologies.

Hon. Mr. Orr, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement reflecting on his time as a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

**Notices of Motions**

Mr. Walker, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, gave oral notice of the following Bill:

Bill 209 Animal Protection (Prevention of Animal Neglect) Amendment Act, 2023  
— Mr. Walker

Ms Rosin, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, gave oral notice of the following Bill:

Bill 208 Municipal Government (Tourism Community Designation) Amendment Act, 2023 — Ms Rosin

**Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

30 letters to MLA Irwin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, opposing any change to effluent regulations that allow dumping of oil sands tailings water into the Athabasca River

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### Government Motions

25. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the 2023 Spring Sitting of the Assembly shall stand adjourned upon the Government House Leader advising the Assembly that the business for the Sitting is concluded.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

### 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 9 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Nally

Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, moved that the Bill be amended in section 15(3)(b) by adding the following immediately after the proposed section 24.1(3.1):

(3.2) For the purpose of subsection (3.1), a full-time firefighter and part-time firefighter includes the following:

- (a) a full-time firefighter or part-time firefighter who has made an application for compensation that was not accepted by the Board for an injury described in subsection (2);
- (b) the estate of a full-time firefighter or part-time firefighter if that worker has not received a payment from the Board with respect to an injury described in subsection (2).

(3.3) For greater certainty, subsection (3.1) applies to an injury described in subsection (2) suffered by a full-time firefighter or part-time firefighter any time after May 1, 2016.

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

For the amendment: 8

Ceci	Gray	Renaud
Dach	Nielsen	Shepherd
Deol	Pancholi	



Against the amendment: 24

Aheer	Long	Schow
Allard	Lovely	Singh
Fir	Madu	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Glubish	Nally	Stephan
Hunter	Panda	Turton
Jean	Rehn	van Dijken
Jones	Rosin	Walker
Loewen	Rutherford	Yaseen

## Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(4), the Committee recessed at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2023 — 7:30 P.M.

## Government Bills and Orders

### Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 9 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Nally

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 11 Appropriation Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Bill 12 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Mr. Turton, 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 9 (A1) (Official Opposition House Leader) — Defeated  
on division

Sessional Paper 110/2022-23

Amendment to Bill 10 (A1) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-North West)  
— Defeated

Sessional Paper 111/2022-23

**Third Reading**

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

Bill 8 Alberta Firearms Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro

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

For the motion: 28

Aheer	Madu	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Nally	Stephan
Gottfried	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Toews
Guthrie	Orr	Turton
Hanson	Rosin	van Dijken
Horner	Rowswell	Walker
Jones	Rutherford	Wilson
LaGrange	Sawhney	Yao
Long	Sigurdson (Highwood)	Yaseen
Lovely		

Against the motion: 7

Carson	Sabir	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Eggen	Schmidt	Sweet
Feehan		

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 8 Alberta Firearms Act — Hon. Mr. Shandro

Bill 9 Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Nally

Hon. Mr. Rutherford, Minister without Portfolio, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 8(2) and 8(7)(d) in order to proceed immediately to Third Reading consideration of Bill 204, Missing Persons (Silver Alert) Amendment Act, 2022.

## **Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders**

**Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 204 Missing Persons (Silver Alert) Amendment Act, 2022 — Mr. Smith

## **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 Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 11 Appropriation Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Bill 12 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Rutherford, Minister without Portfolio, the Assembly adjourned at 10:14 p.m. until Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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Thursday, March 23, 2023

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

### **Speaker's Statement – Staff of the Legislative Assembly Office**

The Speaker made a statement recognizing the staff of the Legislative Assembly Office and their accomplishments during the 30th Legislature.

### **Members' Statements**

Hon. MLA Ceci, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the Canada Pension Plan.

Hon. Mr. Panda, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont, made a statement regarding Government investment in affordable housing.

Mr. Turton, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain, made a statement regarding Government action to support families looking to adopt children.

Ms Pancholi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, made a statement regarding the Government's actions during the 30th Legislature.

Mr. Rehn, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement recognizing forestry workers.

Hon. Mr. Yaseen, Hon. Member for Calgary-North, made a statement regarding Ramadan.

Hon. Ms Hoffman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement recognizing members of the New Democratic Party caucus who will not be seeking re-election.

### **Speaker's Statement – Pages of the Assembly**

The Speaker made a statement recognizing the Pages who would not be returning for the next sitting of the Legislature and read a letter from the departing Pages.

### **Presenting Petitions**

Hon. Mr. Bilous, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, on behalf of Hon. Ms Gray, Official Opposition House Leader, presented a petition from 30 Albertans urging the Legislative Assembly to express its support for the people of Ukraine and to express its opposition to the Russian occupation of Ukraine and the unprovoked Russian attack on the Ukrainian people.

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Oral notice having been given March 22, 2023:

Bill 208 Municipal Government (Tourism Community Designation) Amendment Act, 2023 — Ms Rosin

Bill 209 Animal Protection (Prevention of Animal Neglect) Amendment Act, 2023 — Mr. Walker

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Mr. Smith, Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-46, s20(2):

Report of the Auditor General, March 2023

Sessional Paper 112/2022-23

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

Petition containing 376 signatures requesting that condominium owners be eligible for the Government's utility rebate program

Sessional Paper 113/2022-23

Petition containing 639 signatures requesting that condominium owners be eligible for the Government's Affordability Action Plan

Sessional Paper 114/2022-23

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall:

Petition containing approximately 900 signatures requesting that the Government recognize the benefits to Albertans of remaining in the Canada Pension Plan  
Sessional Paper 115/2022-23

### Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Jeremy Nixon, Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services, pursuant to the Advocate for Persons with Disabilities Act, cA-5.5, s4(2):

Advocate for Persons with Disabilities Annual Report 2021-2022  
Sessional Paper 116/2022-23

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Government Bills and Orders

#### Third Reading

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

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to shorten the interval between division bells to one minute for the remainder of the afternoon.

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

For the motion: 36

Aheer	Hunter	Rosin
Allard	Issik	Rowswell
Amery	LaGrange	Rutherford
Armstrong-Homeniuk	Loewen	Savage
Dreeshen	Long	Schow
Fir	Lovely	Smith (Drayton Valley-Devon)
Getson	Madu	Stephan
Glubish	McIver	Toews
Gotfried	Nally	Turton
Guthrie	Nixon (Rimbey-Rocky Mtn. House-Sundre)	Wilson
Hanson	Rehn	Yao
Horner	Reid	Yaseen

Against the motion: 6

Dach	Irwin	Pancholi
Hoffman	Nielsen	Sabir

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 10 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

Bill 11 Appropriation Act, 2023 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Toews

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### **Speaker's Statement – 30th Legislature**

The Speaker gave a statement providing sessional statistics and facts regarding the 30th Legislature.

### **Adjournment**

Pursuant to Government Motion 25, agreed to on March 22, 2023, and on advice by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, to the Assembly that the business for the 2023 Spring Sitting is concluded, the Assembly adjourned at 3:34 p.m. until October 2023.

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# **DISSOLUTION**

MAY 1, 2023

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**Dissolution**

[GREAT SEAL]  
 CANADA  
 PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

RITU KHULLAR,  
 Administrator.

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada, and His Other Realms and Territories, KING, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

## PROCLAMATION

To OUR FAITHFUL, the MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta and to each and every one of you

## GREETING

WHEREAS it is Our will and pleasure by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our Province of Alberta to dissolve the Thirtieth Legislature of Alberta:

Susanne Stushnoff  
 Deputy Attorney General

NOW KNOW YE THAT by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our Province of Alberta, We have ordered and declared and do hereby proclaim that the Thirtieth Legislature of Alberta is hereby dissolved and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are discharged from further meetings and attendance.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of Alberta to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: THE HONOURABLE RITU KHULLAR, Administrator of Our Province of Alberta, this 1st day of May in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-three and in the First Year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND:

TYLER SHANDRO,  
 Provincial Secretary.