



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 16

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Thursday, November 30, 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. Peter Elzinga, Member for Sherwood Park, 1986 to 1993, who passed away on November 8, 2023.

Members' Statements

MLA Hoyle, Hon. Member for Edmonton-South, made a statement regarding the Government's lack of financial assistance for post-secondary students.

Mr. Dyck, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie, made a statement regarding the Government's mid-year fiscal update and economic statement.

Hon. Mr. Sabir, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bhullar-McCall, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to address concerns relating to arrests at a recent protest in support of Palestine.

Mrs. Petrovic, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding the current Government's policies affecting rural Albertans in contrast to those of the previous New Democratic Party Government.

Mr. Kasawski, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of former Member Hon. Peter Elzinga.

Dr. Elmelig, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis, made a statement regarding a lack of Government action to reduce wildfire risk in the Banff-Kananaskis constituency.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms de Jonge, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore:

Red Deer Advocate website article, undated, entitled “Rural municipalities call for bigger role in energy project approvals”

Sessional Paper 150/2023

Hon. Mrs. Sawhney, Minister of Advanced Education:

E-mail message, undated, from the Council of Canadian Innovators to Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, expressing support for the recognition of the software engineer professional designation in Alberta

Sessional Paper 151/2023

Hon. Mr. Loewen, Minister of Forestry and Parks:

Supplemental responses to questions regarding wildfire prevention and mitigation efforts raised by Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, during Oral Question Period on November 29, 2023

Sessional Paper 152/2023

Mr. Haji, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore:

E-mail message dated November 20, 2023, from Linda Lindsay to Mr. Haji, expressing concern regarding a proposed alternative Alberta pension plan

Sessional Paper 153/2023

Dr. Elmeligi, Hon. Member for Banff-Kananaskis:

3 pieces of correspondence expressing concern regarding the lack of Government funding for education, relating to comments made by Dr. Elmeligi during Second Reading debate on Bill 202, Education (Class Size and Composition) Amendment Act, 2023, on November 27, 2023

Sessional Paper 154/2023

Mr. Deol, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadows:

CBC News website article dated December 26, 2022, entitled “Alberta no longer using P3 approach as preferred way to build schools,” relating to comments made by Mr. Deol during Oral Question Period on November 29, 2023

Sessional Paper 155/2023

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Amery, Minister of Justice, pursuant to the Public’s Right to Know Act, cP-47, s6(1):

Report on Crime and Justice Statistics 2018/19 to 2022/23

Sessional Paper 156/2023

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction, pursuant to the Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act, cG-1, s30(2):

Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Commission 2022-2023 Annual Report
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

14. Moved by Hon. Mr. Schow:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1) and for the duration of the 2023 Fall Sitting of the First Session of the 31st 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.

Private Bills

Second Reading

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

Bill Pr1 St. Joseph's College Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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

Bill Pr1 St. Joseph's College Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Ms Sigurdson

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 Whole this afternoon, including for the first division.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, moved that the Bill be amended by striking out section 3.

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

For the amendment: 11

Al-Guneid	Goehring	Shepherd
Brar	Hoffman	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Dach	Ip	Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)
Ellingson	Sabir	

Against the amendment: 43

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

Mr. Shepherd, Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre, moved that the Bill be amended in section 2 as follows:

- (a) in the proposed section 29(2.14) by adding “, and a copy of any advice provided to the Lieutenant Governor in Council by the Chief Medical Officer in respect of the making of that order or exemption,” immediately after “the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall provide a copy of the order or exemption”;
- (b) by adding the following immediately after the proposed section 29(2.15):
(2.16) If the Minister receives a copy of an order, exemption or advice of the Chief Medical Officer under subsection (2.14), the Minister must immediately publish a copy of that order, exemption or advice of the Chief Medical Officer on the Department's publicly accessible website.

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

For the amendment: 10

Brar	Hoffman	Shepherd
Dach	Ip	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Ellingson	Sabir	Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)
Goehring		

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 5 Public Sector Employers Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Horner

Bill 6 Public Health Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Amery

Mr. van Dijken, Deputy 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 Edmonton-City Centre) —
Defeated on division

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Amendment to Bill 6 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-City Centre) —
Defeated on division

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Third Reading

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

Bill 6 Public Health Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Amery

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 6 Public Health Amendment Act, 2023 — Hon. Mr. Amery

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Schow, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:29 p.m. until Monday, December 4, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker