



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 60

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Monday, October 28, 2024

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 Members Alan William Hyland, Member for Cypress, 1975 to 1986, and Cypress-Redcliff, 1986 to 1993, who passed away on July 24, 2024; Dr. Stanley Bernard Cassin, Member for Calgary-North West, 1986 to 1989, who passed away on October 2, 2024; and Gordon Wells Shrake, Member for Calgary-Millican, 1982 to 1993, who passed away on May 30, 2024.

Speaker's Statement – Alex Janvier

The Speaker made a statement recognizing the life and legacy of Alex Janvier.

Speaker's Statement – Leader of the Official Opposition

The Speaker made a statement recognizing Hon. Ms Gray, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, as the Leader of His Majesty's Loyal Opposition.

Members' Statements

Mr. McDougall, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement regarding upgrades to Deerfoot Trail.

MLA Batten, Hon. Member for Calgary-Acadia, made a statement regarding the lack of Government effort to promote influenza and COVID-19 vaccines.

Mr. Long, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the support Jasper residents have received from Albertans following summer wildfires.

MLA Calahoo Stonehouse, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding the United Conservative Party 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Ms de Jonge, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore, made a statement regarding the importance of family in society.

MLA Loyola, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the need to eradicate racism and discrimination.

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

Honourable Members, before we proceed to Oral Question Period, I would like to outline an adjustment to the rotations that will apply for Oral Question Period and Members' Statements. The rotations reflect the current House Leaders' Agreement, agreed to on October 26, 2023, with the following exceptions: in the Oral Question Period rotation, question 9 on day 4, which was formerly the independent Member's question, has now been allocated to the United Conservative Party caucus. Please note that today is day 3 of the Oral Question Period rotation.

In the Members' Statements rotation, the Member's Statement assigned to the former independent Member on Wednesdays of week 3 of the rotation has been allocated to the United Conservative Party caucus. As a result of this adjustment, the Members' Statements rotation is the same for all three weeks and therefore has been collapsed into one weekly cycle.

Attached to the procedural memo that my office sent out to all Members last Thursday were the Oral Question Period rotation chart and the Projected Sitting Days Calendar, which contains, among other things, the Members' Statements rotation.

I would like to remind Members that questions and responses in Oral Question Period should be no longer than 35 seconds and that preambles to supplementary questions are only allowed for the first four rounds of questioning each day, as indicated in the House Leaders' Agreement.

Notices of Motions

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

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to follow through on its previous commitments by taking all necessary steps to implement the Primary Care Comprehensive Model for family physicians without further delay.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 24 Alberta Bill of Rights Amendment Act, 2024 — Hon. Mr. Amery

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Calgary Herald website article dated September 3, 2024, entitled “Province rejects revised Green Line plan, says funding to be withheld”

Sessional Paper 516/2023-24

CBC News website article dated September 17, 2024, entitled “City council votes to wind down Green Line LRT with costs totalling \$2.1B”

Sessional Paper 517/2023-24

CBC News website article dated September 18, 2024, entitled “Minister says province won’t be footing the bill for Calgary’s \$850M Green Line wind-down”

Sessional Paper 518/2023-24

Calgary City News website article, undated, entitled “Province recommitments funding to Calgary’s Green Line LRT project”

Sessional Paper 519/2023-24

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

Pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s22.3, and the Law Enforcement Weapons Authorization Directive, Speaker’s Directive 01/2024, s6(a), Law Enforcement Weapons Authorization Directive, Speaker’s Directive 01/2024

Sessional Paper 520/2023-24

Pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s22.3, and the Legislative Security Officer Directive, Speaker’s Directive, 02/2024, s21(a), Legislative Security Officer Directive, Speaker’s Directive, 02/2024

Sessional Paper 521/2023-24

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Amery, Minister of Justice, pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s124(2):

Alberta Law Foundation 2024 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 522/2023-24

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of 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 2023 Report

Sessional Paper 523/2023-24

Pursuant to the Horse Racing Alberta Act, cH-11.3, s10(2), Horse Racing Alberta Annual Report 2023

Sessional Paper 524/2023-24

Motions Under Standing Order 42

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

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to follow through on its previous commitments by taking all necessary steps to implement the Primary Care Comprehensive Model for family physicians without further delay.

Pursuant to Standing Order 42(1.1) and (1.2), Hon. Ms Hoffman and Hon. Min. LaGrange commented on the request for unanimous consent.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Question was rejected:

WQ3. Moved by Hon. Ms Sigurdson:

How many operators were subject to a penalty as a result of a contravention of the Continuing Care Health Services Standards (as amended July 16, 2018) required under the Nursing Homes General Regulation, the Co-ordinated Home Care Program Regulation or any ministerial directive made under the Regional Health Authorities Act, during the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023?

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: 18

Arcand-Paul	Ganley	Pancholi
Brar	Goehring	Renaud
Ceci	Haji	Sabir
Chapman	Hayter	Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)
Dach	Hoyle	Sweet
Eremenko	Kasawski	Tejada

Against the motion: 46

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

Debate on the following Written Question was adjourned:

WQ4. Moved by Hon. Ms Sigurdson:

How many audits or investigations were undertaken by the Ministry of Health, during the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, in respect of a complaint made under the Supportive Living Accommodation Licensing Act?

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, MLA Arcand-Paul speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

514. Moved by MLA Batten:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adjust the maximum age of eligibility for financial supports available under the Transition to Adulthood Program (TAP) from the day before a participant's 22nd birthday to the day before the participant's 24th birthday for the following purposes:

- (a) to ensure that the maximum age of eligibility for all supports available under the TAP program is consistent, and
- (b) to remove a barrier that otherwise may prevent a young adult from achieving their full potential.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

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. Amery, Minister of Justice, pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s5(4):

Law Society of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on June 20, 2024
Sessional Paper 459/2023-24

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

Standing Committee on Legislative Offices Report on the Appointment of an Acting Chief Electoral Officer, June 2024, deposited on June 21, 2024
Sessional Paper 460/2023-24

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

College of Podiatric Physicians of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on June 25, 2024
Sessional Paper 461/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Pursuant to the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cS-29, ss1(2) and 6(1), Government of Alberta 2023-24 Final Results Year-end Report, June 2024, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 462/2023-24

Pursuant to the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cS-29, ss1(2) and 8(1), Government of Alberta Annual Report 2023-2024, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 463/2023-24

Hon. Mrs. Sawhney, Minister of Advanced Education, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Advanced Education Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 464/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Neudorf, Minister of Affordability and Utilities, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Affordability and Utilities Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 465/2023-24

Hon. Ms Fir, Minister of Arts, Culture and Status of Women, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Arts, Culture and Status of Women Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 466/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Turton, Minister of Children and Family Services, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Children and Family Services Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 467/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Nicolaides, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Education Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 468/2023-24

Hon. Ms Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Environment and Protected Areas Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 469/2023-24

Hon. Ms Smith, Premier, President of Executive Council, and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3),

Executive Council Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 470/2023-24

Hon. Min. LaGrange, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Health Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 471/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Yaseen, Minister of Immigration and Multiculturalism, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3),

Immigration and Multiculturalism Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 472/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Wilson, Minister of Indigenous Relations, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Indigenous Relations Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 473/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Guthrie, Minister of Infrastructure, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Infrastructure Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 474/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Jones, Minister of Jobs, Economy and Trade, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Jobs, Economy and Trade Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 475/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Amery, Minister of Justice, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Justice Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 476/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Williams, Minister of Mental Health and Addiction, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Mental Health and Addiction Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 477/2023-24

Hon. Mr. McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Municipal Affairs Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 478/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Nixon, Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Seniors, Community and Social Services Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 479/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 480/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Glubish, Minister of Technology and Innovation, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Technology and Innovation Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 481/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Schow, Minister of Tourism and Sport, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Tourism and Sport Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 482/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Dreeshen, Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Transportation and Economic Corridors Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 483/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Treasury Board and Finance Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on June 27, 2024

Sessional Paper 484/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Ellis, Deputy Premier, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Public Safety and Emergency Services Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on July 8, 2024

Sessional Paper 485/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Sigurdson, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3),

Agriculture and Irrigation Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on July 9, 2024

Sessional Paper 486/2023-24

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

Report of the Auditor General, July 2024: Alberta.ca Account, Technology and Innovation, deposited on July 10, 2024

Sessional Paper 487/2023-24

Report of the Auditor General, July 2024: Surface Water Management, Environment and Protected Areas, deposited on July 10, 2024

Sessional Paper 488/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Jean, Minister of Energy and Minerals, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cF-14.7, ss9(1) and (3):

Energy and Minerals Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on July 16, 2024

Sessional Paper 489/2023-24

Hon. Mr. McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Pursuant to the Safety Codes Act, cS-1, s25(3), Safety Codes Council 2023 Annual Report, deposited on July 31, 2024

Sessional Paper 490/2023-24

Pursuant to the Special Areas Act, cS-16, s19(2), Special Areas Trust Account Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, deposited on July 31, 2024

Sessional Paper 491/2023-24

Pursuant to the Government Organization Act, cG-10, s10(3), Alberta Elevating Devices and Amusement Rides Safety Association Annual Report 2023-2024, with attached financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024, deposited on August 22, 2024

Sessional Paper 492/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance:

Pursuant to the Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act, cS-29, ss1(2) and 6(1), Government of Alberta 2024-25 First Quarter Fiscal Update and Economic Statement, deposited on August 30, 2024

Sessional Paper 493/2023-24

Pursuant to the Securities Act, cS-4, s20(2), Alberta Securities Commission 2024 Annual Report, deposited on August 30, 2024

Sessional Paper 494/2023-24

Hon. Mr. Nicolaides, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2):

Alberta Teachers' Association 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 11, 2024

Sessional Paper 495/2023-24

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

Alberta Ombudsman Annual Report 2023-24, deposited on September 12, 2024

Sessional Paper 496/2023-24

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

Alberta College of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 497/2023-24

College of Medical Laboratory Technologists of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 498/2023-24

College of Naturopathic Doctors of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 499/2023-24

Alberta College of Combined Laboratory and X-ray Technologists 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 500/2023-24

College of Dietitians of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 501/2023-24

College of Physiotherapists of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 502/2023-24

Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technologists 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 503/2023-24

Alberta College of Dental Hygienists 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 504/2023-24

Alberta College of Occupational Therapists 2023-2024 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 505/2023-24

College of Opticians of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 506/2023-24

Alberta College of Pharmacy 2023-2024 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 507/2023-24

College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 508/2023-24

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 509/2023-24

College of Dental Technologists of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 510/2023-24

College of Dental Surgeons of Alberta 2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 511/2023-24

Hon. Min. LaGrange, Minister of Health, and Hon. Mr. Williams, Minister of Mental Health and Addiction, pursuant to the Alberta Health Act, cA-19.5, s6(2):

Office of the Alberta Health Advocates 2022-2023 Annual Report, deposited on September 20, 2024

Sessional Paper 512/2023-24

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

Pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s39(3), Special Standing Committee on Members' Services Administrative Services (Security) Amendment Order, 2024, MSC Order No. 03/24, deposited on September 25, 2024

Sessional Paper 513/2023-24

Pursuant to Standing Order 114, Legislative Assembly Office Annual Report 2023-2024, deposited on October 1, 2024

Sessional Paper 514/2023-24

Pursuant to the Child and Youth Advocate Act, cC-11.5, s9.1(5), Report to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Mandatory Reviews of Child Deaths, for the period dated April 1, 2024, to September 30, 2024, deposited on October 1, 2024

Sessional Paper 515/2023-24

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(2), the Assembly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper,
Speaker

Title: Monday, October 28, 2024