

No. 103

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

First Session

Thirty-First Legislature

Tuesday, April 29, 2025

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

# Speaker's Statement - Western Tricorne Hat

The Speaker made a statement regarding his new uniquely Albertan tricorne hat made by Smithbilt Hats in Calgary.

# **Members' Statements**

MLA Calahoo Stonehouse, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding the actions of the Premier and the recent federal election campaign.

Ms de Jonge, Hon. Member for Chestermere-Strathmore, made a statement regarding the Leader of the Conservative Party of Canada.

MLA Boparai, Hon. Member for Calgary-Falconridge, made a statement regarding Government policies and actions concerning health care.

Mr. van Dijken, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock, made a statement regarding National Volunteer Week.

MLA Miyashiro, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding National Volunteer Week.

Ms Hayter, Hon. Member for Calgary-Edgemont, made a statement regarding the importance of women and collaboration in politics.

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

Oral notice having been given April 28, 2025:

Bill 54 Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Amery

# **Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

Policy Options website article dated May 3, 2022, entitled "Ontario's iGaming market will hurt First Nations and others"

Sessional Paper 1029/2023-25

Supreme Court of Canada decision R. v. Pamajewon, [1996] 2 S.C.R. 821 Sessional Paper 1030/2023-25

Ms Sweet, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning:

CBC News website article dated November 8, 2018, entitled "AISH, income support, seniors benefits indexed to cost of living under new bill"

Sessional Paper 1031/2023-25

Hon. Mr. Guthrie, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Cochrane:

Letter dated March 17, 2025, from Hon. Mr. Guthrie to Doug Wylie, Auditor General of Alberta, with attached handwritten notes, concerning allegations of political interference in Alberta Health Services' procurement practices

Sessional Paper 1032/2023-25

Letter dated April 25, 2025, from Hon. Mr. Guthrie to Doug Wylie, Auditor General of Alberta, with attached handwritten notes, concerning allegations of political interference in Alberta Health Services' procurement practices

Sessional Paper 1033/2023-25

# ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **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 48 iGaming Alberta Act — Hon. Mr. Nally

MLA Brar, Hon. Member for Calgary-North East, moved that the Bill be amended as follows:

- (a) in section 2(2)
  - (i) in clause (d) by striking out "and", and
  - (ii) by adding the following after clause (d):
    - (d.1) to establish and maintain an online program to promote responsible gaming with respect to online lottery schemes based on the principle of harm reduction, and
- (b) in section 5(2)
  - (i) in clause (c) by striking out "the corporation, and" and substituting "the corporation,", and
  - (ii) by adding the following after clause (c):
    - (c.1) evaluating the effectiveness of the corporation's online program to promote responsible gaming and providing strategic direction to the corporation with respect to the program, and
- (c) in section 19(1)
  - (i) in clause (b) by striking out "during the year, and" and substituting "during the year,", and
  - (ii) by adding the following after clause (b):
    - (b.1) a summary of the corporation's activities with respect to its online program to promote responsible gaming, and

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

For the amendment: 16

Arcand-Paul Ellingson Ip
Brar Elmeligi Kasawski
Ceci Ganley Miyashiro
Chapman Goehring Schmidt
Dach Haji Tejada

Eggen

Against the amendment: 38

AmeryHunterPetrovicArmstrong-HomeniukJeanRowswellBoitchenkoJohnsonSchowBouchardJonesSchulz

Cyr LaGrange Sigurdson (Highwood)

de Jonge Long Singh
Dreeshen Lovely Turton
Dyck Lunty Wiebe
Ellis McIver Williams
Fir Nally Wilson

Getson Neudorf Wright (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

Glubish Nicolaides Yaseen

Horner Nixon

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 48 iGaming Alberta Act — Hon. Mr. Nally

Mr. Cyr, 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 48 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-North East) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 1034/2023-25

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 39 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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

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

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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

- Bill 39 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 (\$) Hon. Mr. Horner
- Bill 46 Information and Privacy Statutes Amendment Act, 2025 Hon. Mr. Glubish

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Williams, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:59 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2025 — 7:30 P.M.

# **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 53 Compassionate Intervention Act — Hon. Mr. Williams

A debate followed.

Mr. Getson 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 37 Mental Health Services Protection Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Williams

MLA Eremenko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, moved that the Bill be amended by striking out section 12.

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

For the amendment: 14

Batten Ganley Shepherd

Boparai Hoffman Sigurdson (Edmonton-Riverview)

Calahoo Stonehouse Hoyle Sweet

Deol Kayande Wright (Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview)

Eremenko Metz

Against the amendment: 40

Amery Johnson Rowswell
Armstrong-Homeniuk Jones Schow
Boitchenko LaGrange Schulz

Bouchard Long Sigurdson (Highwood)

Cyr Lovely Singh de Jonge Lunty Stephan Dreeshen McDougall Turton Dyck McIver Wiebe Ellis Nally Williams Fir Neudorf Wilson

 $Getson \qquad \qquad Nicolaides \qquad \qquad Wright \ {}_{\text{(Cypress-Medicine Hat)}}$ 

Glubish Nixon Yao Horner Petrovic Yaseen

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 37 Mental Health Services Protection Amendment Act, 2025 — Hon. Mr. Williams

Bill 44 Agricultural Operation Practices Amendment Act, 2025 – Hon. Mr. Sigurdson

Mr. Cyr, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 37 (A1) (Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 1035/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 44 (A1) (Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 1036/2023-25

Amendment to Bill 44 (A2) (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 1037/2023-25

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Williams, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:28 p.m. until Wednesday, April 30, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Nathan M. Cooper, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, April 29, 2025