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**9:00 A.M.  
PRAYERS**

**9 H  
PRIÈRES**

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**ORDRE DU JOUR**

Ms. Khanjin moved,

M<sup>me</sup> Khanjin propose,

That the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario be amended as follows:

Standing Order 10(c) is deleted.

Standing Order 30(a) is deleted and the following substituted:

30(a) When a voice vote has been taken on any question, a division may be required by 5 members standing in their places, in which case the Speaker shall then defer the taking of the vote to the next instance of the proceeding “Deferred Votes”, at which time the bells shall be rung for 5 minutes.

(a.1) Notwithstanding Standing Order 30(a), the following divisions shall not be deferred:

- (i) Divisions arising out of any routine proceeding;
- (ii) Divisions requested on motions to adjourn the House or the debate;
- (iii) Divisions where a Standing Order or other Order specifies the time of the vote;
- (iv) Divisions on motions that the Chair of a Committee of the Whole House report progress and ask for leave to meet again or leave the chair.

Standing Orders 30(h) and (i) are deleted.

Standing Order 37 is amended by deleting the words “Standing Orders 10(c), 30(h) or 101(d)” and substituting the words “the Standing Orders”.

Standing Order 67 is amended by deleting the words “under Standing Order 30(h)” in the last line.

Standing Order 101(d) is deleted.

Standing Order 121 is deleted and the following substituted:

121(a) Upon a written request signed by a majority of the members of a Standing or Select Committee, the Chair of the Committee shall convene a meeting of the Committee within 7 calendar days following the receipt of such request by the Clerk of the Committee.

(b) The meeting request shall contain the text of a non-amendable motion proposing the consideration by the Committee of a bill or other matter within the mandate of the Committee.

(c) If the motion is in order, 30 minutes shall be allotted to debate the motion, at the end of which time the Chair shall put the question.

(d) For the purpose of this Standing Order, the Committee may meet, and may continue to meet, during any adjournment of the House.

That the following Standing Order be added for the duration of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Parliament:

9(f.1) No later than 12:00 noon on any Tuesday, the Government House Leader may indicate in the House, or may deposit written notice with the Clerk of the Assembly, that a temporary change in the weekly meeting schedule of the House is required, and in such case the Afternoon Routine on the Wednesday of that week shall commence at 1:00 p.m.

That the Clerk be authorized to re-number the Standing Orders and to make such other consequential, editorial or other minor changes as may be required to ensure a consistent form of expression throughout the Standing Orders; and

That the terms of this motion shall come into force at 12:01 a.m. on the Friday of the week in which this motion is adopted.

Debate arose and after some time the debate adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Il s'élève un débat et après quelque temps, à 10 h 15, le débat était ajourné.

**10:15 A.M.**

**10 H 15**

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**PÉRIODE DE QUESTIONS**

**DEFERRED VOTES**

**VOTES DIFFÉRÉS**

Second Reading of Bill 244, An Act to amend the Residential Tenancies Act, 2006 with respect to evictions during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Deuxième lecture du projet de loi 244, Loi modifiant la Loi de 2006 sur la location à usage d'habitation à l'égard des expulsions pendant la pandémie de COVID-19.

Lost on the following division:-

Rejetée par le vote suivant :-

**AYES / POUR - 26**

Bell	Fraser	Mantha	Simard
Berns-McGown	Harden	Morrison	Singh (Brampton East)
Blais	Hassan	Natyshak	Stiles
Burch	Horwath	Rakocevic	Tabuns
Collard	Hunter	Sattler	Taylor
Coteau	Karpoche	Schreiner	Vanthof
Fife	Kernaghan		

**NAYS / CONTRE - 37**

Bailey	Elliott	McKenna	Scott
Barrett	Fullerton	McNaughton	Skelly
Bouma	Ghamari	Miller (Parry Sound-Muskoka)	Smith (Bay of Quinte)
Calandra	Harris	Park	Smith (Peterborough-Kawartha)
Cho (Willowdale)	Jones	Pettapiece	Thompson
Clark	Khanjin	Phillips	Wai
Coe	Kramp	Piccini	Walker
Crawford	Lecce	Rasheed	Yakabuski
Downey	McDonell	Roberts	Yurek
Dunlop			

The House recessed at 12:10 p.m.

À 12 h 10, l'Assemblée a suspendu la séance.

**3:00 P.M.**

**15 H**

**REPORTS BY COMMITTEES**

**RAPPORTS DE COMITÉS**

Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills:-

Comité permanent des règlements et des projets de loi d'intérêt privé :-

Bill Pr34, An Act to revive Apollo Shawarma and Grill Inc.

Bill Pr37, An Act respecting the Parya Trillium Foundation.

Reported without amendment.

Rapport est fait sans propositions d'amendement.

Report adopted.

Rapport adopté.

Ordered for Second Reading.

Ordonnés pour la deuxième lecture.

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### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:-

Bill 247, An Act to amend the Employment Standards Act, 2000 with respect to personal emergency leave. Mr. Coteau.

Bill 248, An Act to require the establishment of a public inquiry respecting the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Horwath.

Bill 249, An Act respecting the salaries of members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario. Mr. Baber.

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### DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

Les projets de loi suivants sont présentés et lus une première fois :-

Projet de loi 247, Loi modifiant la Loi de 2000 sur les normes d'emploi en ce qui concerne le congé d'urgence personnelle. M. Coteau.

Projet de loi 248, Loi exigeant l'ouverture d'une enquête publique concernant la réponse à la pandémie de COVID-19. M<sup>me</sup> Horwath.

Projet de loi 249, Loi concernant le traitement des députés à l'Assemblée législative de l'Ontario. M. Baber.

With unanimous consent,

Avec le consentement unanime,

On motion by Mr. Calandra,

Sur la motion de M. Calandra,

Ordered, That the salary for the Member for York Centre (Mr. Baber) be reduced to \$500.00 per week.

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### MOTIONS

On motion by Mr. Calandra,

Sur la motion de M. Calandra,

Ordered, That, in addition to their regularly scheduled meeting times, the following committees be authorized to meet at the call of the Chair for the duration of the Spring meeting period and any extension thereof: the Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs, the Standing Committee on General Government, the Standing Committee on Justice Policy, the Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills, the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly, and the Standing Committee on Social Policy.

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### MOTIONS

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### PETITIONS

Drinking water (Sessional Paper No. P-77) Ms. Sattler.

Library funding (Sessional Paper No. P-134) Mr. Harden.

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### PÉTITIONS

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### ORDERS OF THE DAY

Motion regarding amendments to the Standing Orders.

Debate resumed and after some time,

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### ORDRE DU JOUR

Le débat a repris et après quelque temps,

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With unanimous consent,

That notwithstanding Standing Order 9(a), the House agreed to commence Private Members' Public Business before 6:00 p.m. today.

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**PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC  
BUSINESS**

Mr. Crawford moved,

Second Reading of Bill 243, An Act to amend the Trespass to Property Act to establish minimum fines for specified types of trespass.

Debate arose and after some time,

The question was then put.

Carried.

Referred to the Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills.

Avec le consentement unanime,

Que nonobstant l'article 9 a) du Règlement, l'Assemblée a accepté de commencer les affaires d'intérêt public émanant des députées et députés avant 18 h aujourd'hui.

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**AFFAIRES D'INTÉRÊT PUBLIC  
ÉMANANT DES DÉPUTÉES ET  
DÉPUTÉS**

M. Crawford propose,

Deuxième lecture du projet de loi 243, Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'entrée sans autorisation en vue d'établir des amendes minimales pour certains types d'entrée sans autorisation.

Il s'élève un débat et après quelque temps,

La question a ensuite été mise aux voix.

Adoptée.

Renvoyé au Comité permanent des règlements et des projets de loi d'intérêt privé.

The Speaker delivered the following ruling:-

Earlier this afternoon, on a request for unanimous consent, the House purported to agree to reduce the salary of the Member for York Centre (Mr. Baber).

Members' compensation in Ontario is a statutory entitlement governed by the *Legislative Assembly Act*. Any amendment to this statutory entitlement requires a legislative change and cannot be effected via any other instrument – including a unanimous consent motion.

I therefore have to advise the House that its earlier agreement does not constitute sufficient authority for the Speaker to direct Assembly payroll staff to make any adjustments to any Member's salary, and is therefore of no force or effect.

I note that the Member for York Centre had already requested unanimous consent for the House to pass the Bill he introduced this afternoon, which would have been a correct way to cause a salary change for Members of the Assembly.

While unanimous consent is a perfectly acceptable mechanism in this House and gets used frequently, I think this episode demonstrates that it is worth considering the unintended consequences that can arise when spontaneous decisions are agreed to with unanimous consent and I ask all Members to keep that in mind.

The House adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

À 16 h 52, l'Assemblée a ajourné ses travaux.

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le président

**TED ARNOTT**

Speaker

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**PETITIONS TABLED PURSUANT TO  
STANDING ORDER 42(a)**

**PÉTITIONS DÉPOSÉES  
CONFORMÉMENT À L'ARTICLE  
42 a) DU RÈGLEMENT**

Optometry (Sessional Paper No. P-249) (Tabled February 17, 2021) Ms. McKenna.

Condominiums and insurance company regulation (Sessional Paper No. P-280) (Tabled February 17, 2021) Mr. Wilson.

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**RESPONSES TO PETITIONS**

**RÉPONSES AUX PÉTITIONS**

Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (Sessional Paper No. P-1):  
(Tabled October 26, 2020) Ms. Lindo.

The price of gasoline (Sessional Paper No. P-34):  
(Tabled September 28, 2020) M<sup>me</sup> Gélinas.

Select Committee on Emergency Management Oversight and the COVID-19 Command Table  
(Sessional Paper No. P-279):  
(Tabled October 26, 27, 2020) Mr. Fraser.

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