

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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Fifth Session Opens March 18 with Speech from the Throne

EDMONTON – "Decisions made in the Legislative Assembly impact the day-to-day lives of everyone who calls this province home," said Robert E. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta. "I invite all Albertans to watch live as our Lieutenant Governor opens the Fifth Session of the 29th Legislature on March 18."

Alberta's Lieutenant Governor, Her Honour the Honourable Lois E. Mitchell, CM, AOE, LLD, will deliver the Speech from the Throne on Monday, March 18, 2019, at 3 p.m. Albertans can watch the proceedings live at assembly.ab.ca or through Assembly TV: on channel 843 on TELUS, channel 930 on Shaw cable and channel 263 on BlueSky.

The ceremony begins with a 15-gun salute on the South Legislature Grounds, followed by an inspection of a quarter guard in the Legislature rotunda. The event will also feature performances by soprano Cara Lianne McLeod and The Royal Canadian Artillery Band.

Proceedings are broadcast live Monday to Thursday during session and streamed at assembly.ab.ca. Closed captioning is provided for both. The gallery is open to the public during regular Assembly business. Albertans who would like to watch session in person at the Alberta Legislature Building are encouraged to book ahead to ensure availability. Assisted-listening devices can be supplied, and arrangements for an ASL interpreter can be made to support visitors in the public galleries.

During the Fourth Session the Assembly sat for 338 hours over the course of 60 days, considering 32 government Bills and 11 private Members' public Bills.

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