



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 34**

**FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYERS**

**10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.**

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that Private Members' Business would be waived for Thursday, May 27 1999, only.

By leave, it was agreed to amend the resolution in the second WHEREAS clause by striking out "youth employment" and substituting "youth unemployment".

Mr. FAURSCHOU moved (as amended):

Resolution No. 9: Jobs and the Economy

WHEREAS Manitoba's unemployment rate averaged 5.7% in 1998, the lowest since 1980; and

WHEREAS this province's youth unemployment rate is tied for lowest in Canada; and

WHEREAS all of Manitoba's 1998 job growth has been in the private sector, where employment has increased by 10,000 full-time jobs; and

WHEREAS over the last two years employment rose by 24,700, third largest increase in the country and above the national gain; and

WHEREAS Manitoba's private sector is coming off seven consecutive years of steady growth in new capital investment, a record of achievement only matched by Alberta; and

WHEREAS Manitoba's credit rating rose to AA ranking in 1998.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba support the government in its continued effort to create a competitive and healthy business climate.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. FAURSCHOU, Ms. WOWCHUK, Messrs. HELWER and LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And Ms. FRIESEN speaking at 11:00 a.m.

The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

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Ms. McGIFFORD moved:

Resolution No. 10: Screening Program for Cervical Cancer

WHEREAS cancer of the cervix can take many years to develop, but before it does, early changes take place on the cervix which can be easily detected – provided women have regular testing and exams; and

WHEREAS with early detection, cervical cancer is almost 100% treatable; and

WHEREAS many women are not regularly tested; and

WHEREAS the National Cervical Cancer Coalition recommends that in middle/upper-middle-income countries, cervical cancer programs should aim to expand available screening and treatment services with the ultimate goal of screening all women aged 30 and over every 3-5 years; and

WHEREAS the 1994 Throne Speech pledged a cervical cancer screening program, and the promise was repeated in 1997, and then again in 1998 when the Minister of Health said, “The tracking system, much like breast screening, would give the ability to put a reminder in place on a regular basis, and I agree that is very important”; and

WHEREAS by making it be easier for women to know when to go in for their Pap test, a provincial registry would help increase the number of women being screened and thereby decrease the incidence of cervical cancer in the province; and

WHEREAS in April 1998 Dr. Garry Krepart, Medical Director of Women’s Health for the Winnipeg Hospital Authority said, “If we had a cervical screening program in the province with a registry for patient recall, and all women participated in the program, we could wipe out cancer of the cervix”; and

WHEREAS at the same time, family practitioner Dr. Dick Smith said, “I cannot see why the provincial Government won’t act on (a registry)”; and

WHEREAS every year, about 20 women die in Manitoba because this preventable cancer has gone undetected and untreated.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to consider finally honouring its commitment to put a Provincial Cervical Cancer Screening Program in place.

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And a debate arising,

And Ms. McGIFFORD having spoken,

Mrs. DRIEDGER (Charleswood) moved in amendment as follows:

THAT the resolution be amended as follows:

THAT the fourth "WHEREAS" clause be deleted and replaced with the following:

"WHEREAS the Canadian Cervical Cancer Prevention Network recommends that all women have had sexual intercourse and/or are eighteen years and over should enter a screening program; and if the first 2 yearly pap smears are satisfactory, be advised to be re-screened every 3 years; and"

THAT all the words after "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED" be deleted and replaced with the following:

"that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba support the Provincial Government in its commitment to put a Provincial Cervical Cancer Screening Program in place."

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker informed the House she would take the matter under advisement.

And the debate continuing on the main motion,

And Ms. WOWCHUK and Mr. ROCAN having spoken,

And Ms. FRIESEN speaking at 12:00 p.m.

The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

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**1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.**

Mr. LAURENDEAU, Chairperson of the Committee of Supply, reported progress having been made on May 26, 1999. Report was received and the Committee of Supply obtained leave to sit again.

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Hon. Mr. NEWMAN, Minister of Energy and Mines made a statement concerning Provincial Mining Week, May 28 to June 3 1999.

Ms. MIHYCHUK commented on the statement.

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The following Bills were, by leave, respectively introduced and read a First Time:

(No. 30) – The Veterinary Medical Act; Loi sur la médecine vétérinaire

(Hon. Mr. ENNS)

(No. 31) – The Association of Manitoba Municipalities Incorporation and Consequential Amendments Act; Loi constituant l'Association des municipalités du Manitoba et modifications corrélatives

(Hon. Mr. DERKACH)

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During Oral Questions, Mr. MARTINDALE rose on a point of order regarding the use of the word “scurrilous” by the Honourable Minister of Justice.

WHEREUPON, the Honourable Minister of Justice voluntarily withdrew his remarks.

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Pursuant to Rule 20 (1), and Mr. HELWER, Ms. McGIFFORD, Messrs. McALPINE, EVANS (Brandon East) and LAMOUREUX made Members’ Statements.

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By leave, the Order of Day having been read for consideration of Bill (No. 27) – The Essential Services Amendment Act; Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services essentiels, as amended and reported from the Standing Committee on Law Amendments:

Mr. REID moved:

*THAT Bill 27 be amended by striking out the proposed clause (h) as set out in section 2 of the Bill and substituting the following:*

(h) The City of Winnipeg, in relation to its ambulance services employees, except for the purpose of section 7 where the union representing those employees has offered, and continues to offer during any work stoppage, to be bound by the provisions of *The Fire Departments Arbitration Act* as though the employees were employees to whom that Act applies.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. REID, LAURENDEAU, DOER and LAMOUREUX, Hon. Mr. STEFANSON, Ms. BARRETT and Mr. SALE having spoken,

And the Question being put,

It was negatived, on the following division:

YEA

BARRETT  
DEWAR  
DOER  
EVANS (Brandon East)  
FRIESEN  
HICKES  
LAMOUREUX  
MACKINTOSH (St. Johns)

MALOWAY  
MARTINDALE  
McGIFFORD  
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DYCK  
ENNS  
FAURSCHOU  
GILLESHAMMER  
HELWER  
LAURENDEAU  
McALPINE  
McCRAE  
McINTOSH (Assiniboia)

MITCHELSON  
NEWMAN  
PENNER  
PITURA  
PRAZNIK  
RADCLIFFE  
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Bill (No. 27) – The Essential Services Amendment Act; Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services essentiels, as amended and reported from the Standing Committee on Law Amendments, was concurred in.

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Madam Speaker having left the Chair and the House resolving itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty;

And the House continuing in Committee.

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The House then adjourned at 6:01 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday next.

Hon. Louise Dacquay,  
Speaker.