



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

FOURTH SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Mr. MARTINDALE:

THAT Bill (No. 300) – The Association of Former Manitoba MLAs Act/Loi sur l'Association des ex-députés de l'Assemblée législative du Manitoba, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. KORZENIOWSKI and Ms. IRVIN-ROSS having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 209).

Mr. MAGUIRE moved:

THAT Bill (No. 209) – The Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists Act/Loi sur les audiologistes et les orthophonistes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. MAGUIRE, Ms. KORZENIOWSKI, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mrs. STEFANSON having spoken,

And Mrs. TAILLIEU speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

Mr. AGLUGUB moved:

Resolution No. 10: Professional Accreditation

WHEREAS the economic and social well being of Manitoba is tied to our ability to actively encourage the growth of skilled people in all fields and disciplines; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to ensure an attitude of co-operation and inclusiveness so that newly arrived Manitobans can participate equitably and contribute to the economy; and

WHEREAS 7 427 immigrants with a variety of skills and occupations entered Manitoba last year from all over the world and many of them were unable to effectively use their training and education in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the province benefits from the diversity of new skills and knowledge that new immigrants bring; and

WHEREAS by recognizing the high level of skills, education and training of those immigrants as important assets for Manitoba and Canada, the government's priority is to ensure all new Manitobans are given every opportunity to find suitable employment in the province without delay; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has shown strong leadership in qualifications recognition for skilled immigrants in Manitoba through its continuing partnerships with regulatory bodies, educational institutions and occupational sectors in such varied fields as teachers, pharmacists, accountants and truck drivers; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has held a Qualifications Recognition Summit pledging to work with regulatory bodies and stakeholders to remove the barriers highly-skilled immigrants encounter in securing formal recognition of their qualifications; and

WHEREAS the Province has a goal to increase and retain the level of skilled immigrants, it is therefore necessary to find efficient, transparent and effective methods of assessing foreign-trained individuals while enduring practice standards and public safety are met.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba support the Provincial Government in continuing its efforts to develop and support an innovative professional qualifications recognition strategy.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. AGLUGUB, GOERTZEN, JHA, LAMOUREUX and SWAN having spoken,

And Mr. MAGUIRE speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. ROCAN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to consider stopping the removal of these positions from our community (Neepawa), and to consider utilizing current technology (ie: Land Management Services existing satellite sub-office in Dauphin, MB) in order to maintain these positions in their existing location. (J. Kozak, J. Kozak, V. Jackson and others)

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to consider stopping the removal of these positions from our community (Minnedosa), and to consider utilizing current technology in order to maintain these positions in their existing location. (R. Klassen, T. Alexander, J. Derhak and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to consider the need to seek clarification on why the Government did not act on fixing the Crocus fund back in 2001 and to urge the Premier and his Government to cooperate in making public what really happened. (R. Sidhw, J. Sidhw, D. K. Dhaliwal and others)

Mrs. TAILLIEU – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to consider calling a public inquiry into all aspects of the delivery of child welfare services throughout Manitoba. (D. Cooper, H. Shah, J. Lopas and others)

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to immediately cancel its plans to support the construction of the OlyWest Hog Plant and Rendering Factory near any urban residential area. (T. Orsulak, M. Ives, H. Kalomiris and others)

Hon. Ms. ALLAN presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2006-2007 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Labour and Immigration. (Sessional Paper No. 68)

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2006-2007 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Industry, Economic Development and Mines. (Sessional Paper No. 69)

During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and cautioned the Honourable First Minister with regards to the use of the words "tell the truth".

WHEREUPON Hon. Mr. DOER voluntarily withdrew his remarks.

Tuesday, May 23, 2006

Subsequently during Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and cautioned the Honourable Member for Inkster with regards to the use of the words "telling the truth" and "crap".

WHEREUPON Mr. LAMOUREUX voluntarily withdrew his remarks.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS, Mr. ROCAN, Ms. IRVIN-ROSS, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Mr. EICHLER made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act Resolution will be considered next Tuesday, May 30, 2006.

The House resolving into Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 5:11 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, 2006.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.