



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 7

FIFTH SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were respectively read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 5) – The Surface Water Management Act (Amendments to Various Acts to Protect Lakes and Wetlands)/Loi sur la gestion des eaux de surface (modification de diverses lois visant la protection des lacs et des terres humides)

(Hon. Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF)

(No. 6) – The Francophone Community Enhancement and Support Act/Loi sur l'appui à l'essor de la francophonie manitobaine

(Hon. Mr. SELINGER)

Hon. Mr. SELINGER, the First Minister, made a statement regarding the death of Manmeet Bhullar, MLA for Calgary-Greenway.

Mr. GOERTZEN and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Mr. GRAYDON, Hon. Ms. BRAUN, Mr. EICHLER, Hon. Ms. CROTHERS and Mr. PEDERSEN made Members' Statements.

During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and cautioned the Honourable Minister of Jobs and the Economy regarding his comments referencing the absence of Members in the House.

WHEREUPON Hon. Mr. CHIEF apologized for his remarks.

During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and requested that the words "the class clown of the Legislature" spoken by the Honourable Member for Steinbach be withdrawn.

WHEREUPON Mr. GOERTZEN withdrew his remarks.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. EICHLER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Provincial Government repair and reopen the Provincial Roads 415 and 416 to allow adequate east-west travel in the Interlake. (H. Zotter, Y. Broton, D. Green and others)

Mr. HELWER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to develop and evolve community based brain injury services that include but are not limited to: case management services known also as service navigation; safe and accessible housing in the community; proctor or coach type assistance for community re-integration programs; improved access to community based rehabilitation services; and improved transportation especially for people living in rural Manitoba and to encompass financial and emotional supports for families and other caregivers in the model that is developed. (T. Stobbs, E. Rybuch, C. Dickey and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Provincial Government improve the safety at the pedestrian corridor at the intersection of PTH# 206 and Cedar Avenue in Oak Bank by considering such steps as highlighting pavement markings to better indicate the location of the shoulders and crosswalk, as well as installing a lighted crosswalk structure. (M. Monchka, J. Boissoneault, B. Haney and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Provincial Government repair and reopen the Provincial Roads 415 and 416 to allow adequate east-west travel in the Interlake. (W. Davis, T. Rediger, M. Gratton and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to consider implementing a plan to cover the immediate shortfall in staffing levels and to develop a long term solution to provide timely and quality health care to the residents in the Interlake. (I. Condie, K. Campbell, G. Edwardsen and others)

By leave, it was agreed that the House will recess temporarily on the afternoon of November 25th for the arrival of the Grey Cup with the understanding that Wednesday will count as a day of debate for the Throne Speech in spite of this interruption.

The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Proposed Motion of Ms. LATHLIN:

THAT the following address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor:

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba thank your Honour for the gracious speech addressed to us at this Fifth Session of the Fortieth Legislature of Manitoba.

And the proposed amendment moved by Mr. PALLISTER as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by adding at the end the following words:

But this House regrets:

- a) That the Provincial Government has refused to listen to Manitobans who are tired of broken promises such as the commitment to balancing the budget by 2014 without raising taxes; failing to respect the right to vote on tax increases and not recognizing that Manitobans want a change for the better; and
- b) That the Provincial Government has failed to recognize Manitobans are paying more and getting less due to an average family in Winnipeg having to pay more than \$3,200 in additional provincial taxes than a comparable family living in Regina, yet front line services like health care and education being ranked last in the nation; and
- c) That the Provincial Government has failed to acknowledge that self-promotion and wasteful government spending has caused the provincial debt to double since 2008 requiring Manitobans to pay more than \$800 million in debt interest charges which threatens Manitoba's future as that money cannot be invested to protect essential frontline services, reduce health care wait times or improve education results for our children.

As a consequence of these and many other failings, the Provincial Government has thereby lost the trust and confidence of the people of Manitoba and this House.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Mr. JHA (by leave), Mrs. ROWAT and Messrs. MALOWAY and PEDERSEN having spoken.

And Hon. Mr. SARAN speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 25, 2015.

Hon. Daryl REID,
Speaker.