



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 5

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

On motion of Hon. Ms. CLARKE, Bill (No. 5) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment, Planning Amendment and Real Property Amendment Act (Conforming to Construction Standards Through Agreements)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg, la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire et la Loi sur les biens réels (ententes de conformité en matière de normes de construction), was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES, the Minister responsible for Status of Women, made a statement regarding International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and the start of the global 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence campaign.

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

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Messrs. SMITH and WIEBE, Mrs. GUILLEMARD, Ms. KLASSEN and Hon. Mr. CULLEN made Members' Statements.

Following Oral Questions, Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) rose on a point of order and voluntarily apologized to the House regarding comments he made towards the Minister of Crown Services during Oral Questions on November 24, 2016.

And Hon. Mr. MICKLEFIELD and Mr. MALOWAY having spoken to the point of order,

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled that there was a point of order.

The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Proposed Motion of Mrs. GUILLEMARD:

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 Second Session of the Forty-First Legislature of Manitoba.

And the proposed amendment moved by Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) as follows:

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

But this House regrets that the Provincial Government failed to:

- (a) announced an agenda of cuts and austerity breaking its pledge to protect front-line workers and the services they provide while Government Ministers received large wage increases which will lead to increased inequality, undermine the health of the economy and worsen the lives of everyday Manitobans; and
- (b) opened the door to the privatization and deregulation of essential and important front-line services and has resolved to hide its plans from impartial public scrutiny, undermining public delivery of services and public accountability; and
- (c) manufactured partisan, political crises and has refused to produce transparent, long-term financial documents in order to justify an agenda of cuts to front-line services and privatization; and
- (d) failed to take steps to keep the cost of living affordable for Manitobans by enabling increases to home heating rates, electricity rates, auto insurance rates and post-secondary tuition fees; and
- (e) not presented any meaningful plan to address a wide range of needs concerning: health care, home care, seniors, the environment, climate change, the minimum wage, publicly funded child care spaces, the child welfare system, housing, poverty, the justice system, the public education system, funding for post-secondary institutions, infrastructure, rural Manitoba, economic development for the North, investments in Winnipeg, Brandon and other municipalities, agriculture and many other important areas for Manitobans.

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 proposed sub-amendment moved by Ms. KLASSEN as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by adding after clause (e) the following clauses:

- (f) failed to commit to lowering ambulance fees by 50% this year; and
- (g) failed to commit to implementing recommendations from the 2016 Liberal Caucus Brain Health Report; and
- (h) failed to commit to increasing the amounts for special needs student funding while simplifying the application processes; and
- (i) failed to commit to diversifying industries and tourism in addition to extricating natural resources in the northern economy; and
- (j) failed to commit to releasing the “duty to consult” framework for Indigenous communities; and

- (k) failed to commit to supporting Urban Aboriginal Economic Development Zones; and
- (l) failed to commit to improving the outdated technology systems utilized in government departments; and
- (m) failed to commit to improving issues relating to supportive housing and personal care homes; and
- (n) failed to commit to reducing the cost of prescription drugs; and
- (o) failed to commit to the development and implementation of a provincial suicide strategy; and
- (p) failed to commit to implementing a mental health support task force for Manitoba communities following a suicide; and
- (q) failed to commit to including the criminalization of mental illness in the justice system review; and
- (r) failed to commit to reducing the farmland school tax's impact on Manitoba farmers; and
- (s) failed to commit to the immediate construction of a dedicated stroke unit in Manitoba; and
- (t) failed to commit to not increasing the cost of the Provincial Nominee Program applications.

And the debate continuing on the sub-amendment,

And Messrs. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) and JOHNSTON, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. LAGIMODIERE having spoken.

And Mr. ALTEMEYER speaking at 12:30 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

The House then adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, November 28, 2016.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.