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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

ORDER PAPER No. 46
and NOTICE PAPER

THIRD SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

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Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) –

(No. 223) – The Spirit Bear Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de l'ourson Spirit Bear

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) –

(No. 224) – The Fatality Inquiries Amendment Act (Overdose Death Reporting)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les enquêtes médico-légales (rapport sur les décès par surdose)

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Mr. BUSHIE

Hon. Mr. GERRARD

Mr. LAMONT

Mr. MALOWAY

Mr. MOSES

Mr. SANDHU

Mr. WASYLIW
Mr. WIEBE

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ADJOURNED DEBATE (THIRD DAY OF DEBATE):

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government.

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. KINEW in amendment as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by deleting all the words after "House" and substituting:

therefore regrets that this budget neglects the priorities of Manitobans by:

- a) refusing to learn the lessons of the pandemic by further reducing healthcare funding and holding it to below the inflation rate, compromising bedside care and failing to prepare for a potential third wave; and
- b) cutting emergency acute care funding while spending millions on the Health Transformation Office to cut nurses and other front line health care workers and close rural ERs; and
- c) failing to invest in rural and northern healthcare to ensure all Manitobans have access to the care they need close to home by freezing doctor and nurse recruitment efforts; and
- d) cutting the health capital budget, which means less investments in services, such as a seizure clinic, and new technology and refusing to invest in training for frontline health professionals, such as nurses to help Manitobans get quality care; and
- e) failing to improve long term care and home care for seniors after the Maples and Parkview Place tragedies by cutting long term care funding; and
- f) failing to provide any funding or details on addressing the failing vaccine rollout, while freezing funding for the Emergency Measures Office which assists with logistics and planning; and
- g) compromising the Crown Corporation, Manitoba Hydro, by trying to influence Manitoba Hydro operations and continuing their unconstitutional wage freezes, by refusing to repeal Bill 28, which has caused a strike for members of IBEW; and

- h) failing to be transparent with Manitobans with its plans to increase hydro rates this year after raising their rates in last year's budget; and
- i) failing to be transparent with its plan to privatize Manitoba Hydro; and
- j) providing millions in funds for insurance brokers but refusing to pay a fair wage to employees of Manitoba Public Insurance; and
- k) jeopardizing access to rural broadband by pursuing privatization and failing to provide investments to ensure rural and northern communities can get connected to highspeed internet; and
- l) continuing to reduce education funding, cutting literacy and learning supports and supports for children with exceptional needs, compromising children's success and their ability to catch up after the pandemic; and
- m) requiring educators to pay out of pocket to meet the educational needs of children because of inadequate educational funding; and
- n) failing to implement a universal school breakfast program and cutting supports for food security in the north, to ensure every child succeeds in the classroom; and
- o) refusing to provide menstrual products in schools, to make sure no student is subjected to period poverty; and
- p) continuing to cut funding for post-secondary institutions which will raise tuition, making education less affordable and accessible, cutting supports for apprentices and adult literacy, hindering Manitoba's economic recovery; and
- q) failing to provide any additional aid for small businesses or communities suffering job losses to ensure their success and economic recovery during and after the pandemic; and
- r) failing to adequately fund public childcare after five years of funding freezes and opening up public dollars to for-profit centers, all while cutting subsidies for families; and
- s) refusing to invest in local mental health supports and ignoring the addictions and homelessness crisis, while refusing to invest in supports such as a safe consumption site or building new social and affordable housing units; and
- t) failing to address climate change by continuing a court challenge on carbon pricing, while cutting its own Climate and Green Plan Implementation Office; and
- u) charging people more fees for government services, such as Park Passes, during a pandemic when more Manitobans are trying to get outside; and

- v) refusing to fund improvements for the North End Sewage Treatment Plant to help save Lake Winnipeg; and
- w) cutting funding to municipalities compromising their ability to fund services and priorities such as transit; and
- x) failing to support agricultural producers during what is anticipated to be a year of drought, by cutting risk management and support programs and cutting funding for Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation; and
- y) failing to provide support for women, BIPOC, newcomers and low-income Manitobans to fully assist in a social and economic recovery from the pandemic, including training and credential recognition; and
- z) failing to provide targeted supports with racialized, workplace and geographic data in mind while refusing to implement a living wage for Manitobans; and
- aa) cutting Indigenous and Northern Relations budget by millions, compromising consultation and reconciliation efforts and freezing supports from Community Economic Development Fund and refusing to include representatives of the Métis nation in its pandemic response; and
- bb) cutting the Sports, Culture and Heritage budget by millions, including the Status of Women, which further jeopardizes economic recovery for women and recreation opportunities for children; and
- cc) failing to match the commitment of Manitobans who have worked together heroically and sacrificed collectively to fight COVID-19; and
- dd) failing to have any Members of the Provincial Government caucus stand up against this budget.

As a consequence, the Provincial Government has thereby lost the confidence of this House and the people of Manitoba.

And the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. GERRARD in sub-amendment as follows:

THAT the amendment be amended by adding after clause (dd) the following clauses:

- ee) failing to adhere to the most basic standards of honesty, competence and human decency, with a budget that gaslights Manitobans with empty promises while denying the basic necessities of life of housing, food, clean water and lifesaving and enabling medications and devices; and
- ff) failing utterly to learn from its own catastrophic failures and incompetence in mishandling the second wave of COVID-19, business supports and the vaccine rollout, and choosing to plow ahead with radical right-wing policies that will eviscerate public services and the families and communities who depend on them; and

gg) failing the basic obligations of every government in a crisis, to place the common good ahead of blind partisanship and ideology, choosing instead to present a budget that steals from the poor and gives to the rich, loots the public treasury while running up billions in debt in order to cut cheques that enriches itself and its political cronies.

(Mr. ALTOMARE – 4 minutes)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(79 hours 10 minutes)

REPORT STAGE AMENDMENTS:

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN –

(No. 46) – The Court Practice and Administration Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la pratique et l'administration des tribunaux (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

[Amendment (1) – Hon. Mr. GERRARD]

Specified Bill

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN –

(No. 51) – The Limitations Act/Loi sur les délais de prescription

[Amendment (2) – Hon. Mr. GERRARD]

[Amendment (1) – Hon. Mr. FRIESEN]

Specified Bill

CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 14) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2020/Loi corrective de 2020

Specified Bill

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES –

(No. 19) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2020 (2)/Loi corrective n° 2 de 2020

Specified Bill

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN –

(No. 27) – The Administrative Tribunal Jurisdiction Act/Loi sur la compétence des tribunaux administratifs

Specified Bill

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 55) – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2021/Loi de 2021 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services

Specified Bill

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 68) – The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative

Specified Bill

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WHARTON –

(No. 40) – The Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Corporation Amendment and Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société manitobaine des alcools et des loteries et la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis

(Mr. WIEBE – 28 minutes)

Designated Bill

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 16) – The Labour Relations Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les relations du travail
(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 35) – The Public Utilities Ratepayer Protection and Regulatory Reform Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la protection des contribuables et la réforme réglementaire en matière de services publics (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN –

(No. 57) – The Protection of Critical Infrastructure Act/Loi sur la protection de l'infrastructure essentielle

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 64) – The Education Modernization Act/Loi sur la modernisation de l'éducation
(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Designated Bill

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.
