



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 3

THIRD SESSION, THIRTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYERS

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petition was presented:

Mr. FAURSCHOU – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba pass an Act amending the Act to Incorporate the Portage District General Hospital Foundation. (W. Hamilton, H. Owens, J. Knight and others)

Hon. Mr. DOER, the First Minister, made a statement regarding the Report on Flood Protection Studies for Winnipeg prepared by the KGS Group.

Mr. DERKACH commented on the statement.

Hon. Ms. MIHYCHUK, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Mines, made a statement regarding the World Trade Organization Talks in Doha, Qatar.

Mr. PENNER (Emerson) and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH presented:

Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation, Quarterly Report, Three Months, March 1, 2001 to May 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 5)

Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation, Quarterly Report, Six Months, March 1, 2001 to August 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 6)

Annual Report of the Civil Legal Services Special Operating Agency for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 7)

Annual Report of the Office of the Commissioner, Law Enforcement Review Agency for the year ending December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 8)

Annual Report of the Department of Justice and Justice Initiatives Fund for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 9)

Annual Report of the Public Trustee for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 10)

Annual Report of the Seizure and Impoundment Registry for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 11)

Annual Report of The Manitoba Law Foundation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 12)

Annual Report of the Legal Aid Services Society of Manitoba for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 13)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Human Rights Commission for the year ending December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 14)

Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX presented:

Annual Report of the Department of Culture, Heritage and Tourism for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 15)

Annual Report of the Community Support Programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 16)

Annual Report of Sport for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 17)

Annual Report of Le Centre Culturel Franco-Manitobain for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 18)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Arts Council for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 19)

Annual Report of The Manitoba Centennial Centre Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 20)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Film and Sound Development Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 21)

Pursuant to Rule 23(1), Mr. JENNISSEN, Mrs. STEFANSON, Messrs. STRUTHERS, PENNER (Emerson) and SCHELLENBERG made Members' Statements.

The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Proposed Motion of Mr. JENNISSEN:

THAT the following address be presented to His 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 Third Session of the Thirty-Seventh Legislature of Manitoba.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. JENNISSEN, Ms. ASPER and Mr. MURRAY having spoken,

And Mr. MURRAY moved an amendment as follows:

THAT the Motion be amended by adding to it, after the word "Manitoba" the following words:

But this House regrets

(a) the government's inability to fulfill the promises outlined in its Throne Speech of November 13, 2001, including the following failures: not ending hallway medicine; not addressing the province-wide shortage of health care professionals; not reducing waiting lists for health care services; not providing adequate resources to Manitoba's justice system, including a commitment to maintain a minimum of 1180 police officers in the City of Winnipeg; rejecting compulsory standards testing in Grade 6, Senior 1 and Senior 4, while at the same time announcing annual reports on student achievement outcomes across subject and grade levels; not ensuring a viable future for the family farm in Manitoba; failing to adequately promote rural economic diversification; failing to secure adequate levels of income loss compensation for Manitoba farmers; and, not forging a new strategy for economic development; and

- (b) the government's failure to address the challenges facing the province's health care system; and
- (c) the government's failure to bring Manitoba Hydro before the Public Utilities Board, despite the government's commitment to projects that may potentially cost the Province of Manitoba \$10 billion; and
- (d) the government's failure to release long-term strategies for economic growth which include meaningful tax reductions, thereby making Manitoba less able to compete in the national and global economy; and
- (e) the government's failure – in this time of a slowing economy -- to provide any meaningful measures to maintain economic growth and stimulate job creation, thereby making Manitoba a less attractive place in which to live, work, invest and raise families; and
- (f) the government's failure to back up the Member for Concordia who earlier this spring made a commitment to the citizens of Manitoba that there will be “no forced amalgamation (of school divisions). It is not the Manitoba way.”; and
- (g) the government's failure to arrive at a national farm safety net program that adequately addresses the needs of the province's agricultural producers; and
- (h) the government's failure, as promised by the Member for Concordia, as promised in the Legislative Assembly on May 9th, 2001 to arrange a meeting -- ‘any day, any place, any time’ -- between the Prime Minister and a delegation of farm, business and municipal leaders in order to address the challenges facing the agriculture sector; and
- (i) the government's failure to address the issues raised by its complete mismanagement of the expansion of gaming through the creation of five First Nations casinos; and
- (j) the government's failure to address issues pertinent to seniors; and
- (k) the government's failure to address issues pertinent to women.

AND has thereby lost the trust and confidence of the people of Manitoba and this House.

WHEREUPON the acting Deputy Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

Thursday, November 15, 2001

And Messrs. SANTOS, LOEWEN and STRUTHERS having spoken,

And Mrs. MITCHELSON speaking at 6:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

The House then adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 16, 2001.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.