



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 28

FOURTH 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. 20) – The Architects Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les architectes

(Hon. Ms. BRAUN)

(No. 21) – The Engineering and Geoscientific Professions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les ingénieurs et les géoscientifiques

(Hon. Ms. BRAUN)

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government and the Minister of Children and Youth Opportunities to ensure that the rights of all Manitoba children are respected and that the opinions of children are taken into consideration when decisions that affect them are made and to correct the tragic systemic flaws that have failed Manitoba children in the recent past. (P. Burns, K. Cuff, A. Hildebrandt 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. (S. Plaza, R. Owens, H. Penner and others)

Mr. EWASKO – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government and the Minister of Health to ensure that the Beausejour District Hospital and Primary Care Centre have a primary care physician available on weekends and holidays to better provide area residents with this essential service. (K. Wilgosh, B. Frith, B. Grant and others)

Hon. Mr. DEWAR presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2015-2016 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Finance.

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2015-2016 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Family Services.

(Sessional Paper No. 29)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Mr. JHA, Mrs. DRIEDGER, Ms. ALLAN, Mrs. STEFANSON and Ms. LATHLIN made Members' Statements.

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

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

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

THAT the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “House” and substituting:

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

- a) failing to recognize that Manitobans are tired of broken promises such as: balancing the budget by 2014 and not raising taxes; not respecting the right to vote on tax increases and not recognizing that Manitobans want a change for the better; and
- b) failing to recognize Manitobans are paying more and getting less due to front line services like health care and education being ranked last and also due to an average family in Winnipeg having to pay \$3,200 more in provincial taxes than a comparable average family living in Regina; and
- c) failing to acknowledge that government waste 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, the Provincial Government has thereby lost the confidence of this House and the people of Manitoba.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

Monday, May 11, 2015

And Messrs. SMOOK, GAUDREAU and BRIESE, Hon. Mr. SARAN, Mr. MARTIN and Hon. Mr. CHIEF having spoken.

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

By leave, it was agreed for the Leader of the Official Opposition and critics to have staff members join them in the Chamber during Estimates.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, 2015.

Hon. Daryl REID,
Speaker.