



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 60

FOURTH SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. SCHULER moved:

THAT Bill (No. 240) – The Jewish Heritage Month Act/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine juif, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. SCHULER having spoken,

And Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas), Mr. MICKLEFIELD, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. WISHART having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. ALTOMARE and MICKLEFIELD, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. WISHART having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to, unanimously.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

Mr. TEITSMA moved:

Resolution No. 19: Improving Protections for Vulnerable Women and Children

WHEREAS the of rate domestic violence, sexual assault, and other random acts of violence has been on the rise across Canada; and

WHEREAS the victims of these types of crimes are primarily women, children, and vulnerable Manitobans; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government needs to enact strong measures to protect those who are vulnerable to these types of crimes; and

WHEREAS recently the Supreme Court of Canada has struck down one of the sections of the Criminal Code of Canada that worked to ensure that perpetrators are held to account for their actions; and

WHEREAS with the removal of section 33.1 of the Criminal Code of Canada, the Supreme Court has reinstated the ability for a perpetrator to claim extreme self-induced intoxication as a defence and shield themselves from the consequences of their actions; and

WHEREAS this change has no protection and no benefit for the victims of these crimes; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government needs to make stronger protections to ensure those who commit these crimes are held accountable.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba call on the Federal Government to rectify the law in Canada that currently allows perpetrators to claim voluntary intoxication as a defence and solve this gap by providing critical protections to women, children, and the vulnerable from becoming the victims of violent or sexual crimes.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. TEITSMA having spoken,

And Mr. BRAR, Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE, Mr. NESBITT and Ms. LAMOUREUX having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. NAYLOR, Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. BUSHIE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And MLA MARCELINO speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Hon. Mr. JOHNSON, the Minister of Agriculture, made a statement regarding excess moisture on Manitoba farmland.

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

Hon. Mr. PIWNIUK, the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, made a statement regarding the current flooding situation in Manitoba.

Mr. WIEBE and, by leave, Mr. LAMONT commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Hon. Mr. SMITH (Lagimodière), MLA ASAGWARA, Hon. Mr. WHARTON and Messrs. SALA and LAMONT made Members' Statements.

The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:

Mr. ALTOMARE – To request the Minister of Labour, Consumer Protection and Government Services to consider granting the auditorium to the JRL by March 1st, 2023; to request the Minister of Education to recognize the value that JRL provides to the student population of EHS as well as the communities of Village de St Pierre Jolys and the RM De Salaberry; to request the Minister of Education and the Minister of Francophone Affairs to recognize that an MOU between the RRVSD and JRL is morally, financially and culturally beneficial; to request the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage to recognize the heritage potential of this important building and its status in the community; and to request the Minister of Sport Culture and Heritage to prevent any renovations to the auditorium that would destroy and devalue the architectural integrity of the building. [English version of a bilingual Petition]

Mr. BRAR – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

Mr. MALOWAY – To urge the Provincial Government to bring in Consumer Protection legislation directing Manitoba Public Insurance to initiate credits to Manitobans for engraving Vehicle Identification Numbers on their catalytic converters.

MLA MARCELINO – De demander au ministre du Travail, de la Protection des consommateurs et des Services gouvernementaux d'envisager de concéder l'auditorium à la BRJ d'ici le 1^{er} mars 2023; demander au ministre de l'Éducation de reconnaître la valeur que la BRJ apporte à la population étudiante de l'EHS ainsi qu'aux communautés du Village de St Pierre Jolys et de la MR de Salaberry; demander au ministre de l'Éducation et au ministre des Affaires francophones de reconnaître qu'un protocole d'entente entre le RRVSD et JRL est mutuellement bénéfique, financièrement et culturellement; demander au ministre des Sports, de la Culture et du Patrimoine de reconnaître le potentiel patrimonial de cet important bâtiment et son statut au sein de la communauté; et demander au ministre des Sports, de la Culture et du Patrimoine d'empêcher toute rénovation de l'auditorium qui détruirait et dévaloriserait l'intégrité architecturale du bâtiment. [French version of a bilingual petition]

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – To urge the Provincial Government to consider hearing loss as a medical treatment under Manitoba Health; and to provide income based coverage for hearing aids to all who need them as hearing has been proven to be essential to Manitobans' cognitive, mental, and social health and well-being.

Mr. WIEBE – To urge the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure to consult with noise specialists and other experts to help determine the most effective way to reduce the traffic noise and to commit to meaningful action to address resident concern; and to help address this issue with a noise barrier wall along residential portions of the South Perimeter from St. Anne's Road to St. Mary's Road and for River Park South residents.

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – To urge the Provincial Government to enact Bill 217 – The Fatality Inquiries Amendment Act (Overdose Death Reporting), to require the province to publish the number of drug overdose death, as well as the type of drug, on a government website in a timely fashion.

Mr. MOSES – To request the Minister of Labour, Consumer Protection and Government Services to consider granting the auditorium to the JRL by March 1st, 2023; to request the Minister of Education to recognize the value that JRL provides to the student population of EHS as well as the communities of Village de St Pierre Jolys and the RM De Salaberry; to request the Minister of Education and the Minister of Francophone Affairs to recognize that an MOU between the RRVSD and JRL is morally, financially and culturally beneficial; to request the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage to recognize the heritage potential of this important building and its status in the community; and to request the Minister of Sport Culture and Heritage to prevent any renovations to the auditorium that would destroy and devalue the architectural integrity of the building. [English version of a bilingual Petition]

Ms. FONTAINE – To urge the Provincial Government to enact Bill 217 – The Fatality Inquiries Amendment Act (Overdose Death Reporting), to require the province to publish the number of drug overdose death, as well as the type of drug, on a government website in a timely fashion.

By leave, it was agreed to waive subrule 91(7) for Bill (No. 41) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille, Bill (No. 44) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Minimum Wage)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (salaire minimum) and Bill (No. 234) – The Drug-Related Death Bereavement Day Act/Loi sur le Jour de deuil des personnes dont le décès est lié aux drogues, to allow them to be considered in Committee of the Whole today, and to append any written submissions to the aforementioned Bills to the end of today's House Hansard transcript, provided they are received by 5:00 p.m. today.

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES moved:

THAT Bill (No. 41) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille, be now read a Second Time, and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. SQUIRES having spoken,

And Ms. LATHLIN, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. BUSHIE having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. LATHLIN, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. BUSHIE having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

By leave, for today only, it was agreed that the House and the Committee of the Whole will not see the clock until the Committee has completed consideration of the following Bills:

- Bill (No. 41) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille
- Bill (No. 44) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Minimum Wage)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (salaire minimum)
- Bill (No. 234) – The Drug-Related Death Bereavement Day Act/Loi sur le Jour de deuil des personnes dont le décès est lié aux drogues

The House resolving into Committee of the Whole.

The House then adjourned at 4:51 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.