



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 36**

**FIRST SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.**

The following Bill was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined:

(No. 209) – The Provincial Court Amendment Act (Expanded Training for Judges and Judicial Justices of the Peace)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale (formation accrue des juges et des juges de paix judiciaires)

(MLA LAMOUREUX)

The Speaker tabled:

Members' Allowances Compliance Report from April 1, 2019, to March 31, 2023.

(Sessional Paper No. 80)

Prior to Ministerial Statements, Hon. Min. FONTAINE sought and received leave for the Indigenous text of the statement to be made by Hon. Mr. KINEW to be included in Hansard before the English text.

Hon. Mr. KINEW, the First Minister, made a statement regarding March 31, 2024, being National Indigenous Languages Day.

Mr. EWASKO commented on the statement.

Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), MLAs CHEN and BEREZA, Hon. Ms. SMITH, Mr. PERCHOTTE and MLA LAMOUREUX made Member's statements.

The House resumed debate on the proposed motion of Hon. Min. SALA:

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

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. EWASKO having spoken,

And Mr. EWASKO moved an amendment as follows:

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

regrets that this budget neglects the priorities of Manitobans by:

- a) introducing measures that were not raised during the recent election campaign just six months ago; and
- b) dividing Manitobans into winners and losers through taxation, thereby creating two Manitobas; and
- c) neglecting critical areas of investment such as economic growth; urgent medical capacity; the construction of new educational and childcare infrastructure as well as roads, highways, bridges, waterways, and other critical infrastructure; environmental conservation and protection; and public safety; and
- d) inadequately addressing the current cost-of-living crisis, the rising provincial debt load, and effect of increased interest costs; and
- e) not fully accounting for all of the costs of government decision-making and spending since October 3, 2023; and
- f) violating the trust that Manitobans have placed in this new Provincial Government for all of the above reasons

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

WHEREUPON the Acting Speaker ruled the amendment in order,

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And MLA MOROZ, Mrs. COOK and MLAs PANKRATZ and LAMOUREUX having spoken,

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

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The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 4, 2024.

Hon. Tom LINDSEY,  
Speaker.