

Monday, May 7, 2018



PRAYER

SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 2) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act (Guardianship Support)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille (aide aux tuteurs)

Hon. Mrs. COX –

(No. 13) – The Concussion in Youth Sport Act/Loi sur les commotions cérébrales chez les jeunes athlètes

Mr. LAGIMODIERE –

(No. 201) – The Manitoba Conservation Officers Recognition Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de reconnaissance des agents de conservation du Manitoba

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 202) – The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 205) – The Statutory Holidays Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les jours fériés (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) –

(No. 217) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment and Legislative Assembly Management Commission Amendment Act (Workplace-Related Harassment and Violence)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité et l'hygiène du travail et Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Commission de régie de l'Assemblée législative (harcèlement et violence au travail)

Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 220) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Anaphylaxis Policy)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (politique sur l'anaphylaxie)

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) –

(No. 223) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille

Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 224) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (No Disclosure Without Consent)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (divulgence interdite sans consentement)

Mr. SWAN –

(No. 225) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act (Genetic Characteristics)/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne (caractéristiques génétiques)

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Hon. Mr. FLETCHER

Ms. FONTAINE

Hon. Mr. GERRARD

Mr. SARAN

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas)

GRIEVANCES

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(33 hrs. 1 minute)
(Chamber – Education and Training)
(Room 255 – Executive Council)
(Room 254 – Finance)

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mrs. COX –

(No. 8) – The Government Notices Modernization Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la modernisation de la publication des avis du gouvernement (modification de diverses lois)

Designated Bill
(Hon. Mr. CULLEN)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 12) – The Red Tape Reduction and Government Efficiency Act, 2018/Loi de 2018 sur la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'efficacité du gouvernement

Designated Bill

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES –

(No. 16) – The Climate and Green Plan Implementation Act/Loi sur la mise en œuvre du Plan vert et climatique

(Recommended by His Honour, the Administrator)
Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 24) – The Social Services Appeal Board Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Commission d'appel des services sociaux

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN –

(No. 27) – The Fiscal Responsibility and Taxpayer Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la responsabilité financière et la protection des contribuables

(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)
Designated Bill

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTION:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON – Special Committee on Proactive Disclosure Requirements for Provincial Candidates

THAT a Special Committee on Proactive Disclosure Requirements for Provincial Candidates (the Special Committee) be established to study and make recommendations regarding the requirement of candidates seeking office in, but not limited to, the Manitoba Legislative Assembly to disclose matters including (but not limited to):

- a) past criminal background checks;
- b) adult and child abuse registry checks, and
- c) other matters which may be relevant for those who are seeking or holding office; and

THAT, except as otherwise provided in this motion, the Special Committee shall have the same status and follow the same practices and rules as a Standing Committee of the House, including:

- a) having the same membership composition as the current composition of the Standing Committees of the House; and
- b) having the power to establish a sub-committee for the purposes of carrying out any part of the Special Committee's work; and

THAT, within the parameters of the practices and Rules of the House and the instructions of this motion, the Special Committee be authorized to decide how it will conduct its business, including deciding to hold meetings at such times and places it considers advisable to receive briefs and hear presentations; and

THAT, despite Rule 4(12) the committee may meet in the months of June, July and August; and

THAT the Special Committee be able to call witnesses, including, but not limited to, the Chief Electoral Officer of Elections Manitoba, representatives from political parties, academia and other experts in ethics, political science or whatever field the Special Committee deems appropriate; and

THAT the Special Committee must report to the House by October 3, 2018.

(Hon. Mr. FLETCHER – 3 minutes)

GOVERNMENT MOTION:

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

1. THAT effective immediately and until prorogation of the 3rd Session of the 41st Legislature, the Rules, Orders and Forms of Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be amended as follows:

(a) *by deleting Sub-rule 23(4) and substituting the following:*

Private Members' Business

23(4) Subject to sub-rule 4(3), Private Members' Business shall be considered as follows when the House sits on Tuesdays and Thursdays:

Tuesday:

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Private Members' Hour)

Private Bills
Public Bills
Motions

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (Private Members' Hour)

Private Members' Resolutions
Motions

Thursday:

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Private Members' Hour)

Public Bills
Private Bills
Motions

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (Private Members' Hour)

Private Members' Resolutions
Motions
Deferred votes from previous Tuesday Private Members' Business at 11:55 a.m.

Sequence of Private Members' Bills

23(4.1) Private Members' Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills shall be called in the following sequence as listed on the *Order Paper*:

- (a) Report Stage;
- (b) Debate on Report Stage;
- (c) Concurrence and Third Readings;
- (d) Debate on Concurrence and Third Readings;
- (e) Second Readings;
- (f) Debate on Second Readings.

When a Private Member's Public Bill or Private Bill is called for debate and is not disposed of within that hour, it shall be placed on the bottom of the list of bills of that type on the *Order Paper*.

House Leaders

23(4.2) House Leaders of Recognized Parties have the authority to call Private Members' Bills for debate in the first Hour of Private Members' Business.

- (a) On Tuesday mornings the Government House Leader or designate shall call Private Members' Bills for debate.

- (b) On Thursday mornings the Official Opposition House Leader or designate, or the House Leaders or designates of other Recognized Opposition Parties, shall call Private Members' Bills for debate.
- (c) If there is more than one Recognized Opposition Party:
 - i. The House Leaders or designates of all Recognized Opposition Parties must submit to the Speaker an agreement on dividing time on Thursday mornings.
 - ii. In the event of an impasse the Speaker shall make a determination as to this division of time.

(b) by deleting Rule 24 and substituting the following:

Selected Bills

24(1) Each recognized party may select up to three Private Members' Bills per session to proceed to a Second Reading debate and vote.

Bills to proceed to a Second Reading vote

24(2) Each Independent Member may select one Private Members' Bill per session to proceed to a Second Reading debate and vote, and despite Rule 69(1), an Independent Member will not require a seconder to move each Reading motion for their selected Private Members' Bill.

Written notice

24(3) Written notice of each selected Bill, indicating the sitting day and time when the debate and vote will occur, must be provided to the Speaker by the Government House Leader (or designate) and the Independent Member no later than two weeks prior to the scheduled end of the Fall Sitzings.

Scheduling Independent Members' Selected Bills

24(4) As part of the written notice required in 24(3), an Independent Member and the Government House Leader or designate must agree on a date and time for the debate and vote on the selected Bill, and notify the Speaker in writing of the details.

- (a) In the event of an impasse, the Speaker shall make a determination as to the scheduling of these debates.
- (b) The Government House Leader or designate will call Independent Members' Private Members' Bills for debate on Tuesdays.

2. THAT the Clerk may re-number the Rules, Orders and Forms of Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly and make other minor corrections that in no way alter the intended meaning of these Amendments.

3. THAT the Clerk prepare revised rule books incorporating all amendments, additions and deletions.

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE NEXT THURSDAY OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Mr. ALTEMEYER – Protect Manitoba Waterways from Transboundary Water Projects

13. WHEREAS the health of waterways in the province is a concern for all Manitobans; and

WHEREAS transboundary water diversion projects pose a serious risk to Manitoba's waterways due to the inter-basin transfer of foreign invasive species, nutrients, and diseases into the Hudson Bay drainage basin; and

WHEREAS the Government of North Dakota is actively pursuing two different large-scale water diversion projects – the Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS) project and the Red River Valley Water Supply (RRVWS) project - that would bring water from the Missouri River into Manitoba; and

WHEREAS waters from Manitoba's Hudson Bay drainage basin and the Missouri River have not been mixed for thousands of years; and

WHEREAS the most recent environmental assessment done on the RRVWS project is ten years old, but identified over two dozen foreign invasive species that live in the Missouri River; and

WHEREAS these inter-basin threats could cause severe and irreversible damage to Manitoba's ecosystems, water quality, and to commercial and sport fisheries; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government and previous Provincial Governments have long opposed and successfully delayed both the NAWS and RRVWS projects; and

WHEREAS North Dakota officials are currently completing design work and early construction, with a goal of active construction on the RRVWS project in 2019; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has to date failed to take action or address concerns over the RRVWS project; and

WHEREAS the *Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909* between the United States and Canada provides the International Joint Commission the authority to examine transboundary water projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to protect Manitoba waterways by immediately requesting the Federal Government to initiate a formal referral of the Red River Valley Water Supply project to the International Joint Commission.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on JUSTICE will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to consider a Bill referred.

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The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.
