



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 17

SECOND SESSION, THIRTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYERS

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that while the Standing Committee on Agriculture is travelling to hear public presentations, that the quorum requirements in the House be waived and that any recorded votes be deferred.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that the quorum requirements in the House be waived and that any recorded votes arising be deferred on Thursday, April 26, 2001 due to the Rural Forum held in Brandon, Manitoba.

The following petition was presented:

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba request that the Minister responsible for Manitoba Hydro consider alternative routes for the additional 230KV and 500KV lines proposed for the RM of East St. Paul (L. Loboda, R. Kovacs, P. Stevens and others)

The following petition was read and received:

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba request that the Minister responsible for Manitoba Hydro consider alternative routes for the additional 230KV and 500KV lines proposed for the RM of East St. Paul (F. Butler, C. Stevens, N. Toyne and others)

Hon. Mr. CALDWELL, the Minister of Education, Training and Youth made a statement regarding an update on the flooding conditions in southern Manitoba,

Mr. ENNS commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK, the Minister of Health made a statement regarding the National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week, April 23 to April 29, 2001,

Mrs. DRIEDGER commented on the statement.

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Pursuant to Rule 23(1), Ms. ASPER, Messrs. PENNER (Steinbach), RONDEAU, FAURSCHOU and AGLUGUB made Members' Statements.

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

THAT this House approve in general the budgetary policy of the government.

And on the Proposed Amendment of Mr. MURRAY:

THAT the Motion be amended by deleting all the words after "House" and substituting the following:

therefore regrets this budget ignores the present and future needs of Manitobans by:

- (a) failing to work hard today, to adequately prepare Manitoba for the challenges of tomorrow;
- (b) failing to address very real concerns about the sustainability of the high level of expenditures built into this budget;
- (c) failing to provide a vision or plan for Manitoba's economy;
- (d) failing to protect the strong economic climate established in Manitoba during the last decade;
- (e) failing to provide meaningful tax cuts to Manitobans;
- (f) failing to recognize the importance of tax competitiveness so Manitoba can continue to prosper;
- (g) failing to create an economic climate that will draw investment to Manitoba;
- (h) failing to provide any incentive for our young people to stake their futures in Manitoba;
- (i) failing to address the serious socio-economic crisis facing rural communities due to the crisis in the grains, oilseeds and specialty crops sector;
- (j) failing to provide assistance to agriculture producers still affected by severe flooding in southwestern Manitoba in 1999;
- (k) failing to properly prioritize the highways and infrastructure needs of Manitoba;
- (l) failing to end hallway medicine as promised;
- (m) failing to address the growing shortage of health care professionals;

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(n) failing to address health care waiting lists; and

(o) failing to address the critical shortage of teachers at all levels across the province.

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

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Ms. ALLAN, Messrs. ENNS, FAURSCHOU, MALOWAY, PRAZNIK, AGLUGUB and TWEED having spoken,

And Mr. REID speaking at 6:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH presented:

Sequence for consideration of the Estimates by the Committee of Supply, both in the Chamber and outside the Chamber.

(Sessional Paper No. 113)

The House then adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, 2001.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.