



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 4**

**FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER**

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

The following Bills were respectively read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 3) – The Healthy Child Manitoba Act/Loi sur la stratégie « Enfants en santé Manitoba »  
(Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS)

(No. 200) – The Personal Information Protection and Identity Theft Prevention Act/Loi sur la protection des renseignements personnels et la prévention du vol d'identité  
(Mrs. TAILLIEU)

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The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to consider supporting the slogan "Friendly Manitoba" over "Spirited Energy" and to urge the Premier and his NDP caucus to make public the total cost in creating and promoting the new slogan "Spirited Energy". (M. Quirante, R. Quirante, F. Aviles and others)

Mrs. TAILLIEU – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister charged with the administration of The Liquor Control Act to consider allowing the owners of Headingley Foods to sell alcohol at their store, thereby supporting small business and the prosperity of rural communities in Manitoba. (B. Schlag, G. Schlag, R. Dunn and others)

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Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK, the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives made a statement regarding the status of flooding in the community of Waterhen,

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

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Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. BRICK, Messrs. ROCAN and MARTINDALE, Mrs. TAILLIEU and Mr. SALE made Members' Statements.

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Prior to Orders of the Day, Hon. Mr. GERRARD rose on a Matter of Urgent Public Importance and moved:

THAT under Rule 36(1) the ordinary business of the House be set aside to discuss a Matter of Urgent Public Importance, namely the immediate future of the Canadian Wheat Board as it affects Manitoba and the decision of the Federal Government to deny Manitoba wheat farmers their right to a fair and transparent vote on the future of their wheat marketing system.

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK having spoken to the urgency of the motion,

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled as follows:

I thank the Honourable Members for their advice to the Chair on whether the motion proposed by the Honourable Member for River Heights should be debated today. The notice required by Rule 36(1) was provided. Under our Rules and Practices, the subject matter requiring urgent consideration must be so pressing that the public interest will suffer if the matter is not given immediate attention. There must also be no other reasonable opportunities to raise the matter.

I would also note for the House that Rule 36(5)(d) also specifies that the motion shall not anticipate a matter that has previously been appointed for consideration by the House, or with reference to which a notice of motion has been previously given and not withdrawn. On today's Order Paper, a Government motion is listed that deals with the subject matter of calling on the Federal Government to hold a fair producer plebiscite on the future of the Canadian Wheat Board's monopoly. Therefore, the Matter of Urgent Public Importance filed by the Honourable Member for River Heights is in contravention of Rule 36(5)(d) and is accordingly out of order.

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Pursuant to Rule 45(2), the debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne was interrupted by the Government House Leader in order to call Government Resolutions.

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Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK moved:

WHEREAS all elected farmer directors from Manitoba on the Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) support maintaining the single desk; and

WHEREAS the federal government is calling for a single-commodity plebiscite on barley but not on wheat; and

WHEREAS the voices of wheat producers should be heard on the fate of the single desk; and

WHEREAS the benefits of the single-desk CWB to grain producers are well-known; and

WHEREAS the view of the Manitoba Legislature on the single desk CWB should be known at this critical juncture.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba make clear its support for the CWB's single desk.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK, Mr. MCFADYEN, Hon. Mr. DOER, Messrs. EICHLER and NEVAKSHONOFF and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to, on the following division:

**YEA**

AGLUGUB	LEMIEUX
ALLAN	MACKINTOSH
ALTEMEYER	MARTINDALE
ASHTON	MCGIFFORD
BJORNSON	MELNICK
BRICK	NEVAKSHONOFF
CALDWELL	OSWALD
CHOMIAK	REID
DEWAR	RONDEAU
DOER	SALE
GERRARD	SANTOS
IRVIN-ROSS	SCHELLENBERG
JENNISSEN	SELINGER
JHA	SMITH
KORZENIOWSKI	STRUTHERS
LAMOUREUX	SWAN
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**NAY**

CULLEN	MCFADYEN
CUMMINGS	MITCHELSON
DERKACH	PENNER
DRIEDGER	REIMER
DYCK	SCHULER
EICHLER	STEFANSON
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Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK moved:

WHEREAS the CWB is controlled by a democratically elected board of directors; and

WHEREAS economic analysis has found that the CWB's overall economic impact on Manitoba includes 3,270 total jobs; over 400 Downtown Winnipeg head office jobs; \$126 million in wages, and a \$220 million contribution to provincial GDP; and

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WHEREAS the potential loss of CWB shipments through the Port of Churchill would have a devastating impact on the northern port and could rob producers of an affordable shipping alternative; and

WHEREAS 8,000 Manitoba producers seed more than 3 million acres of CWB grain each year and the loss of the CWB would negatively impact funding for agricultural research; and

WHEREAS without the CWB, farmers would lose their most important advocate in matters of transportation, grain handling and international trade;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba call on the federal government to hold a fair producer plebiscite on the future of the CWB's monopoly for both wheat and barley.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK and Mr. EICHLER having spoken,

And Mr. EICHLER moved an amendment as follows:

*THAT the resolution be amended by deleting all of the words after the first word "WHEREAS" and replacing them with the following:*

the Canadian Wheat Board has been the sole marketer for barley and wheat for western Canadian farmers; and

WHEREAS a strong Canadian Wheat Board should continue to play a role in marketing western Canadian grains; and

WHEREAS in light of changing markets, products and economic conditions many western Canadian farmers believe that more marketing flexibility would improve opportunities for marketing grain, and create the opportunity for value-added businesses; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Wheat Board has already taken positive steps to increase some marketing flexibility in response to requests from Western Canadian grain producers; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Wheat Board is governed by federal legislation; and

WHEREAS in exercising its jurisdiction the Federal Government has decided to hold a plebiscite of western farmers on the marketing of barley; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government has stated that no changes are currently being proposed for the marketing of wheat.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba make clear its understanding that the federal government has sole authority for changes to the Canadian Wheat Board Act. In recognition of federal authority in this area, we indicate our support for the federal Government's decision to hold a plebiscite for the marketing of barley, and call on it to hold a plebiscite in advance of any changes to the marketing of western Canadian grain, including wheat.

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK, Mr. MCFADYEN, Hon. Mr. DOER, Messrs. DERKACH, MAGUIRE, NEVAKSHONOFF, CUMMINGS and PENNER, Mrs. MITCHELSON, Messrs. CULLEN and SCHULER, Mrs. TAILLIEU, Mr. DYCK, Mrs. ROWAT, Mrs. STEFANSON, Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken.

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on the following division.

**YEA**

CULLEN	MCFADYEN
CUMMINGS	MITCHELSON
DERKACH	PENNER
DRIEDGER	ROWAT
DYCK	SCHULER
EICHLER	STEFANSON
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And the debate continuing on the main motion,

And Messrs. MAGUIRE and DERKACH having spoken.

And the Question being put on the main motion. It was agreed to, on the following division.

**YEA**

AGLUGUB	MACKINTOSH
ALTEMEYER	MALOWAY
ASHTON	MARTINDALE
BJORNSON	MCGIFFORD
BRICK	MELNICK
CALDWELL	NEVAKSHONOFF
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The House then adjourned at 8:23 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 21, 2006.

Hon. George HICKES,  
Speaker.