



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 50

FOURTH SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 226).

Mr. LAMOUREUX moved:

THAT Bill (No. 226) – The Education Administration Amendment Act (Education About Donating Organs)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'administration scolaire (éducation sur le don d'organes), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. LAMOUREUX, Hon. Ms. ALLAN, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Hon. Mr. BJORNSON having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. MARTINDALE, adjourned.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 227).

Mr. LAMOUREUX moved:

THAT Bill (No. 227) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Unpaid Leave Related to Donating an Organ)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé sans solde pour donateurs d'organes), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. LAMOUREUX, Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And Ms. BLADY speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

Mr. WHITEHEAD moved:

Resolution No. 11: Aboriginal Healing Foundation

WHEREAS the Aboriginal Healing Foundation was created with a mandate from the Federal Government to fund healing projects for residential school survivors, including reconciliation and support for Aboriginal people and their communities in building and reinforcing sustainable healing processes that address the effects of physical, sexual, mental, cultural and spiritual abuses; and

WHEREAS for more than one hundred years, 150,000 First Nations, Metis and Inuit children were placed in over 130 residential schools during which time they were forbidden to speak their native language or practice their culture; and

WHEREAS many students were also physically, sexually and psychologically abused, creating intergenerational impacts; and

WHEREAS there are 20 projects in Manitoba funded by the Foundation in 2010, ranging from residential counselling centres to family retreats, youth wilderness camps, community workshops and native language training courses; and

WHEREAS funding for this critical program was cut by the Federal Government on March 31st, 2010; and

WHEREAS this funding cut greatly undermines the Federal Government's official apology for the residential school system and its legacy; and

WHEREAS Aboriginal leaders, communities and individuals across the country recognize the importance of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation's work and are rallying together to pressure the Federal Government to commit to continuing this program; and

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission headquartered in Winnipeg is just starting its work with public hearings in June of 2010; and

WHEREAS Commission Chair Murray Sinclair stated on March 19<sup>th</sup>, that “we felt the Aboriginal Healing Foundation’s funding should be continued at least for the term of our Commission” and that a loss of programming will cause some survivors to hold back at the Commission hearings.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba strongly urge that funding be reinstated for the Aboriginal Healing Foundation and that the Speaker send a copy of this resolution to the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. WHITEHEAD, HAWRANIK, JENNISSEN and LAMOUREUX and Ms. BLADY having spoken,

And Mr. EICHLER speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Hon. Mrs. TAILLIEU, Bill (No. 224) – The Crown Corporations Public Review and Accountability Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'examen public des activités des corporations de la Couronne et l'obligation redditionnelle de celles-ci, was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

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The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT– Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to consider proceeding with the cheaper, shorter and more logical east side route, subject to necessary regulatory approvals, to save ratepayers hundreds of millions of dollars during these challenging economic times. (J. Gobeil, H. Dixon, C. Ippiak and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Provincial Government consider immediately providing Revlimid as a choice to patients with Multiple Myeloma and their health care providers in Manitoba through public funding. (O. Christensen, K. Jakobson, N. Syzek and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to consider how important it is to have a medical clinic located in the Weston/Brooklands area. (N. Goulet, D. Sousa, M. Melnick and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the appropriate ministers of the Provincial Government to consider outlining to Parks Canada the importance that a viable recreational facility in the Mount Agassiz area would play in the local and provincial economies and to consider working with all stakeholders, including Parks Canada, to help develop a plan for a viable, multi-season recreation facility in the Mount Agassiz area. (M. Shineton, V. Little, A. Grona and others)

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Ms. BRICK, Vice-Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs, presented its Third Report, which was read as follows:

Your Committee met on the following occasions in the Legislative Building:

- December 22, 2004 (3<sup>rd</sup> Session – 38<sup>th</sup> Legislature)
- May 2, 2006 (4<sup>th</sup> Session – 38<sup>th</sup> Legislature)
- July 10, 2008 (2<sup>nd</sup> Session – 39<sup>th</sup> Legislature)
- May 25, 2009 (3<sup>rd</sup> Session – 39<sup>th</sup> Legislature)
- March 10, 2010 (4<sup>th</sup> Session – 39<sup>th</sup> Legislature)
- May 20, 2010 (4<sup>th</sup> Session – 39<sup>th</sup> Legislature)

#### **Matters under Consideration**

- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2003 including the conduct of the 38th Provincial General Election June 3, 2003
- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2006
- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2007 including the conduct of the 39th Provincial General Election May 22, 2007

- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2008

### Committee Membership

Committee membership for the December 22, 2004 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. ASHTON
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Hon. Mr. DOER
- Mr. CUMMINGS
- Mr. DEWAR
- Ms. IRVIN-ROSS (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Ms. KORZENIOWSKI (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. LOEWEN
- Mr. MURRAY
- Mr. PENNER
- Mr. SCHELLENBERG

Substitution made during committee proceedings on December 22, 2004:

- Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH for Mr. SCHELLENBERG

Committee membership for the May 2, 2006 meeting:

- Mr. DERKACH
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Mr. DOER
- Mr. HAWRANIK
- Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX
- Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. ROCAN
- Mr. SCHELLENBERG (*Vice-Chairperson*)

Committee membership for the July 10, 2008 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. ASHTON
- Ms. BRICK (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Mr. DOER
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Mr. HAWRANIK
- Ms. HOWARD (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Hon. Ms. MCGIFFORD
- Hon. Mr. SWAN
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Substitution made during committee proceedings on July 10, 2008:

- Mr. FAURSCHOU for Mr. MCFADYEN

Committee membership for the May 25, 2009 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. DERKACH
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Mr. DOER
- Mr. FAURSCHOU
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Ms. HOWARD (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mrs. TAILLIEU
- Hon. Mr. SWAN
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Substitution made during committee proceedings on May 25, 2009:

- Mr. MAGUIRE for Mr. FAURSCHOU

Committee membership for the March 10, 2010 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE
- Ms. BRICK (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. DERKACH
- Mr. EICHLER
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Hon. Mr. SWAN

Committee membership for the May 20, 2010 meeting:

- Mr. ALTEMEYER
- Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE
- Ms. BRICK (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. EICHLER
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS

Your Committee elected Mr. ALTEMEYER as the Chairperson.

**Officials Speaking on Record**

- Shipra Verma, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer

## Motions

Your Committee agreed to the following motion:

- *THAT the motion passed at January 21, 2010 meeting of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs be rescinded and replaced with the following:*

*THAT a subcommittee of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs be struck to manage the process of hiring a new Chief Electoral Officer;*

*THAT the subcommittee may only report back to the committee with a recommendation that has received a general level of acceptance by all members;*

*THAT the subcommittee consist of four government members, two official opposition members and one independent member;*

*THAT the subcommittee have the authority to call their own meetings, the ability to meet in camera, and be able to undertake duties it deems necessary in order to fulfil its responsibilities in the hiring process;*

*THAT the subcommittee appoint an expert advisory panel of three members to assist in the hiring process and ultimately provide the subcommittee with a prioritized list of candidates;*

*THAT the subcommittee establish the terms of reference for the expert advisory panel, and that Legislative Assembly staff may be authorized by the Chair to attend all meetings of the subcommittee and the expert advisory panel;*

*THAT during this process the House Leaders will meet to discuss changes to The Elections Act with regards to future appointments to the role of Chief Electoral Officer.*

## Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following report as presented:

- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2006

## Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2003 including the conduct of the 38th Provincial General Election June 3, 2003
- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2007 including the conduct of the 39th Provincial General Election May 22, 2007
- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2008

On motion of Ms. BRICK, the Report of the Committee was received.

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**Tuesday, May 25, 2010**

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Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Mrs. ROWAT, Ms. BRAUN and Messrs. BOROTSIK, JENNISEN and LAMOUREUX made Members' Statements.

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In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that the Rural and Northern Vocational Training Resolution will be considered next Tuesday, June 1, 2010.

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The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK:

THAT Bill (No. 31) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2010/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2010 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. FAURSCHOU, SCHULER, MCFADYEN and EICHLER having spoken,

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

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The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 26, 2010.

Hon. George HICKES,  
Speaker.