



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 41**

**FIRST SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER**

**10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.**

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bills (No. 300) and (No. 210).

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Ms. BLADY moved:

THAT (No. 300) – The Jewish Child and Family Service Incorporation Act/Loi constituant en corporation le Jewish Child and Family Service, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. BLADY, Mrs. STEFANSON, Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Hon. Ms. HOWARD and Mrs. MITCHELSON having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to, unanimously.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

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Mr. SMOOK moved:

THAT (No. 210) – The Participation of Manitoba in the New West Partnership Act/Loi sur la participation du Manitoba au nouveau partenariat de l'Ouest, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. SMOOK, Hon. Mr. BJORNSON and Messrs. GRAYDON and JHA having spoken,

The debate was allowed to remain open.

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In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Acting Government House Leader announced that the Bullying Prevention Resolution will be considered next Tuesday, June 5, 2012.

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Mr. CALDWELL moved:

Resolution No. 8: Brandon Health Care

WHEREAS health care is a top priority for all Manitobans; and

WHEREAS timely access to quality health care is vitally important to the ongoing prosperity and productivity of Manitobans; and

WHEREAS Brandon is Manitoba's second most populous urban area; and

WHEREAS families in Brandon were concerned about health care in the 1990s when \$6 million in provincial funding was cut from health care in Brandon and promises to rebuild the Brandon hospital were broken; and

WHEREAS since 1999 the Provincial Government has been committed to improving access to health care in Brandon, including investing over \$100 million in health care infrastructure; and

WHEREAS this amount includes over \$60 million invested to rebuild the Brandon Regional Health Centre; and

WHEREAS in 2011 the Provincial Government opened the new, \$24 million Western Manitoba Cancer Centre in Brandon to bring state of the art cancer care, including radiation therapy, closer to home for western Manitoba residents; and

WHEREAS in 2011 the Provincial Government officially opened the \$12.2 million Westman Laboratory Expansion, providing extensive laboratory services for the health centre, medical clinics, nursing homes and other health-service centres within the Brandon Regional Health Authority; and

WHEREAS Budget 2012 includes funding for four more paramedic firefighters which enables the province to put another ambulance on the street in Brandon; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government recently committed to further improving Brandon health care by expanding and upgrading Brandon Regional Health Centre's medical ward, including a 25% increase in the number of medical beds, and expanding home care services to be more responsive to the needs of seniors and their families.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitoba Legislative Assembly recognize the progress made in improving access to health care in Brandon; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the Provincial Government to continue to build on its accomplishments to further improve the health and well-being of Brandon and area residents by meeting its health care commitments.

**Tuesday, May 29, 2012**

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And a debate arising,

And Messrs. CALDWELL and HELWER, Hon. Ms. OSWALD, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Mr. CULLEN having spoken,

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

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

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Health to ensure additional personal care homes and long-term care space are made available in the City of Steinbach on a priority basis. (R. Fender, W. Schalla, M. Schalla others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to build the Bipole III transmission line on the shorter, more reliable east side of Lake Winnipeg route, in order to save Manitobans from a “BILLION DOLLAR BOONDOOGLE”. (B. Vandermeulen, M. Vandermeulen, M. Van Dasselaar and others)

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Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. EWASKO, WHITEHEAD, GRAYDON, PETERSEN and HELWER made Members' Statements.

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The House resolved into Committee of Supply.

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The House then adjourned at 5:01 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, 2012.

Hon. Daryl REID,  
Speaker.