



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 93

SECOND SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (S. Nguyen, K. Armstrong, P. Walker and others)

Mr. WISHART – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the appropriate Ministers of the Provincial Government consider repairing St. Ambrose Provincial Park and its access points to their pre-flood conditions so the park can be re-opened for the 2013 season or earlier if possible. (R. Warburton, D. Nott, R. Potter and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Local Government afford local governments the respect they deserve and reverse his decision to force municipalities with fewer than 1,000 constituents to amalgamate. (D. Watson, V. Watson, G. Fraser and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (R. Jaquet, B. Anderson, J. Jaquet and others)

Mr. CULLEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (S. Houle, S. C. Houle, A. Paul and others)

Mr. EICHLER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (C. Eisenmenger, L. Glowacki, K. Lavallee and others)

Mrs. STEFANSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (S. Pimentel, I. Feistt, G. Sinclair and others)

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Mr. MAGUIRE – To urge the Provincial Government to re-open Beausejour’s Employment Manitoba office. (S. Kelly, T. Mukherjee, A. Lasko and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Family Services and Labour consider making funding available to address the current waiting list for ABA Services. (S. Borowski, P. Lahti, D. Hulsemann and others)

Mrs. MITCHELSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Family Services and Labour make funding available to eliminate the current waitlist for ABA Services and fund treatment programming for individuals diagnosed Autism Spectrum Disorder such that there is no wait-list for services. (P. Michalski, N. Griffith, I. Rasic others)

Mr. HELWER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to re-open Beausejour’s Employment Manitoba office. (C. Schmidt, R. LaCroix, V. Paquette and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (G. Neustaeter, D. Free, D. Friesen and others)

Mr. SMOOK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (D. Penner, H. Sveinson, D. Ross and others)

Mr. FRIESEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Family Services and Labour consider making funding available to address the current waiting list for ABA Services. (R. Remple, E. Koe, Y. Malcohm and others)

Mr. GRAYDON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to acknowledge that the increase in the PST will significantly encourage cross border shopping and put additional strain on the retail sector, especially for those businesses located close to Manitoba's provincial borders and to urge the Provincial Government to reverse its PST increase to ensure Manitoba consumers can shop affordably in Manitoba and support local businesses. (L. Doell, D. Hildebrand, H. Wiebe and others)

Hon. Mr. ROBINSON, the Minister responsible for Sport, made a statement to recognize and congratulate Team Manitoba who competed in the Canada Summer games in Sherbrooke, Quebec.

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

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. WIGHT, Mr. PALLISTER, Ms. BRAUN and Messrs. SMOOK and WHITEHEAD made Members' Statements.

The Order of the Day having been read for consideration of Report Stage Amendment of Bill (No. 20) – The Manitoba Building and Renewal Funding and Fiscal Management Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur le financement du renouvellement des infrastructures et la gestion financière (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development:

Mr. HELWER moved:

THAT Bill 20 be amended by adding the following after Clause 2(2):

2(2.1) The following is added after section 1.2 and before the centred heading that follows it:

Study of impact of increased sales tax on inflation

1.3(1) Within one year after this section is enacted, the minister must cause an independent study to be conducted for the purpose of determining the impact of the increase in the general sales tax rate on the rate of inflation in the province.

Tabling study in Assembly

1.3(2) The minister must table a copy of the study in the Assembly within 15 days after receiving it if the Assembly is sitting or, if it is not, within 15 days after the next sitting begins.

Publishing study on government website

1.3(3) The minister must publish the study on a government website.

And a debate arising,

Mr. HELWER, Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

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

Mr. HELWER then moved:

THAT Bill 20 be amended by adding the following after Clause 2:

Reference to the Court of Appeal

*2.1 Immediately after section 2 receives royal assent, the government must refer sections 1 and 2 to The Court of Appeal for an opinion as to whether the sales tax increase enacted by section 2 is valid notwithstanding that no referendum was held under section 10 of **The Balanced Budget, Fiscal Management and Taxpayer Accountability Act**.*

And a debate arising,

Mr. HELWER, Mrs. DRIEDGER, Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS and Mr. PEDERSEN having spoken,

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

Mr. HELWER then moved:

THAT Bill 20 be amended in Clause 3 as follows:

*(a) in the proposed subsection 67.3(1) of **The Financial Administration Act**, by striking out "and" at the end of subclause (a)(i), adding "and" at the end of subclause (a)(ii) and adding the following after subclause (a)(ii):*

*(iii) the total amount collected from vehicle registrations for the fiscal year, as authorized by regulations made under clause 331(3)(a) of **The Highway Traffic Act**;*

*(b) by replacing the proposed subsection 67.3(4) of **The Financial Administration Act** with the following:*

Excess infrastructure funding revenue

67.3(4) If an amount is reported under clause (1)(c) as excess infrastructure funding revenue — excluding the amount collected from vehicle registrations that is reported as infrastructure funding revenue under subclause (1)(a)(iii) — the government's estimates of expenditure for the next four fiscal years must include infrastructure expenditures referred to in clause (1)(b) that exceed, in total, its estimated infrastructure funding revenue — excluding the amount reported under subclause (1)(a)(iii) — for those years by the same amount.

And a debate arising,

Mr. HELWER and Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS having spoken,

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

YEA

BRIESE	MAGUIRE
CULLEN	MITCHELSON
DRIEDGER	PALLISTER
EICHLER	PEDERSEN
FRIESEN	ROWAT
GERRARD	SCHULER
GOERTZEN	SMOOK
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ALLAN	MACKINTOSH
ALLUM	MALOWAY
ALTEMEYER	MARCELINO (Logan)
BJORNSON	MARCELINO (Tyndall Park)
BLADY	MELNICK
BRAUN	NEVAKSHONOFF
CALDWELL	OSWALD
CHIEF	PETTERSEN
CHOMIAK	ROBINSON
CROTHERS	RONDEAU
DEWAR	SARAN
GAUDREAU	SELINGER
HOWARD	SWAN
IRVIN-ROSS	WHITEHEAD
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The House then adjourned at 5:05 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 20, 2013.

Hon. Daryl REID,
Speaker.