



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 18

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Madam Speaker laid upon the Table of the House:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

To the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

I, Kevin CHIEF, Member of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba for the electoral division of Point Douglas, do hereby declare that it is my intention to resign my seat in the Legislative Assembly for the electoral division aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal at the Legislative Offices this 9th day of January, 2017.

(Signed) Kevin Chief

Witness: Robert Cueto(signed)

Witness: Melanie Chief (signed)

To Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor in Council:

I beg to advise that I have received the written resignation of Mr. Kevin CHIEF, Member for the Electoral Division of Point Douglas in the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba dated the 9th day of January, 2017.

Pursuant to section 24 of The Legislative Assembly Act, I do now request Your Honour in Council to pass an Order-in-Council for the filling of the vacancy in the representation of the Electoral Division of Point Douglas.

Dated at Winnipeg, this 9th day of January, 2017.

(Signed) Honourable Myrna Driedger
Speaker
Legislative Assembly of Manitoba

(Sessional Paper No. 15)

Mrs. GUILLEMARD, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs, presented its Second Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

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

- December 14, 2015 (5th Session – 40th Legislature)
- January 23, 2017 (2nd Session – 41st Legislature)

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of the Children's Advocate for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015
- Annual Report of the Children's Advocate for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016

Committee Membership

Committee membership for the December 14, 2015 meeting:

- Mrs. DRIEDGER
- Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. JHA (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN
- Hon. Ms. MARCELINO (*Logan*)
- Mr. MARTIN
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Hon. Mr. SARAN
- Mr. SWAN
- Mr. WIEBE (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. WISHART

Committee membership for the January 23, 2017 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. FIELDING
- Ms. FONTAINE
- Mrs. GUILLEMARD (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. KINEW
- Mr. LAGASSÉ
- Ms. LAMOUREUX
- Mr. MARTIN
- Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE
- Mr. SMITH
- Mr. WIEBE
- Mr. YAKIMOSKI

Your Committee elected Mr. LAGASSÉ as the Vice-Chairperson at the January 23, 2017 meeting

Official Speaking on Record at the December 14, 2015 meeting:

- Darlene MacDonald, Children's Advocate

Official Speaking on Record at the January 23, 2017 meeting:

- Darlene MacDonald, Children's Advocate

Report Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following report as presented:

- **Annual Report of the Children's Advocate for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015**

Report Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following report but did not pass it:

- **Annual Report of the Children's Advocate for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016**

On motion of Mrs. GUILLEMARD, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. WIEBE, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented its Second Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

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

- December 7, 2016 (*2nd Session, 41st Legislature*)

Matters under Consideration

- Auditor General's Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015
- Auditor General's Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016
- Auditor General's Report – Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations – dated May 2014
 - Section 2 – Mandatory Legislative Reviews
 - Section 5 – Compliance with Oil and Gas Legislation
 - Section 9 – Public Sector Compensation Disclosure Reporting
 - Section 11 – Winnipeg Regional Health Authority – Administration of the Value-Added Policy
 - Section 13 – Appointment Process to Agencies, Boards and Commissions
 - Section 22 – Taxation Division, Audit Branch

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the December 7, 2016 meeting:

- Mr. ALLUM
- Mr. BINDLE
- Mr. HELWER (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. JOHNSTON
- Ms. LAMOUREUX
- Mr. MALOWAY

- Mrs. MAYER
- Mr. MICHALESKI
- Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE
- Mr. WIEBE (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. YAKIMOSKI

Substitutions received prior to committee proceedings on December 7, 2016:

- Mr. ALLUM for Mr. MARCELINO
- Ms. LAMOUREUX for Ms. KLASSEN

Officials Speaking on Record at the December 7, 2016 meeting:

- Mr. Norm Ricard, Auditor General of Manitoba

Agreements:

Your Committee agreed to conclude consideration of the following Sections of the Auditor General's Report – Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations – dated May 2014:

- Section 2 – Mandatory Legislative Reviews
- Section 5 – Compliance with Oil and Gas Legislation
- Section 9 – Public Sector Compensation Disclosure Reporting
- Section 11 – Winnipeg Regional Health Authority – Administration of the Value-Added Policy
- Section 13 – Appointment Process to Agencies, Boards and Commissions
- Section 22 – Taxation Division, Audit Branch

Reports Considered and Adopted:

Your Committee has considered the following reports and has adopted the same as presented:

- Auditor General's Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015
- Auditor General's Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016

Reports Considered but not Passed:

Your Committee has considered the following report but did not pass it:

- Auditor General's Report – Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations – dated May 2014 (*Section 2 – Mandatory Legislative Reviews, Section 5 – Compliance with Oil and Gas Legislation, Section 9 – Public Sector Compensation Disclosure Reporting, Section 11 – Winnipeg Regional Health Authority – Administration of the Value-Added Policy, Section 13 – Appointment Process to Agencies, Boards and Commissions, Section 22 – Taxation Division, Audit Branch – concluded consideration of*)

On motion of Mr. WIEBE, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. SMOOK, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

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

- December 14, 2015 (5th Session – 40th Legislature)
- December 2, 2016 (2nd Session – 41st Legislature)

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of the Manitoba Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion Strategy (All Aboard) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion Strategy (All Aboard) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016

Committee Membership

Committee membership for the December 14, 2015 meeting:

- Mrs. DRIEDGER
- Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. JHA (*Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN
- Hon. Ms. MARCELINO (*Logan*)
- Mr. MARTIN
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Hon. Mr. SARAN
- Mr. SWAN
- Mr. WIEBE (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. WISHART

Substitutions received during committee proceedings on December 14, 2015:

- Mr. PEDERSEN for Mrs. DRIEDGER

Committee membership for the December 2, 2016 meeting:

- Mr. ALLUM
- Mr. CURRY
- Hon. Mr. FIELDING
- Ms. FONTAINE
- Ms. LAMOUREUX
- Mr. LINDSEY
- Mrs. MAYER
- Hon. Mr. MICKLEFIELD
- Mr. SMOOK (*Chairperson*)
- Hon. Ms. SQUIRES
- Hon. Mr. WISHART

Your Committee elected Mrs. MAYER as the Vice-Chairperson at the December 2, 2016 meeting

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Annual Report of the Manitoba Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion Strategy (All Aboard) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015.
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion Strategy (All Aboard) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016

On motion of Mr. SMOOK, the Report of the Committee was received.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Messrs. WHARTON and SELINGER, Hon. Ms. SQUIRES and Mr. HELWER made Members' Statements.

The following petition was presented and read:

Mr. MALOWAY – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government do all that is possible to prevent the Bell takeover of MTS and preserve a more competitive cell phone market so that cellular bills for Manitobans do not increase unnecessarily.

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

THAT in accordance with Rule 38(1), the ordinary business of the House be set aside to discuss a Matter of Urgent Public Importance, namely, the lack of attention being paid by the Manitoba government to mental and brain health and to home care, and the urgent need for the province to act to ensure the federal funding of \$40 million towards these issues is not lost due to this government's inaction.

And Hon. Messrs. GERRARD and MICKLEFIELD and Mr. MALOWAY and having spoken to the urgency of the motion,

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled as follows:

There are two conditions to be satisfied for this matter to proceed. The first condition has been met in that I did receive the proper notice from the Honourable Member of this motion. The second condition is that debate on the matter is urgent and that there is no other reasonable opportunity to raise the matter.

I thank Honourable Members for their advice to the Chair on whether the motion proposed by the Honourable Member for River Heights should be debated today.

I would note that the notice required by Rule 38(1) was provided.

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

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 do not doubt that this matter is one that is of serious concern to all members of the House, as all forms of health care are a key concern of Manitobans and of this Legislature.

However I have listened very carefully to the arguments put forward, and I was not persuaded that the ordinary business of the House should be set aside to deal with this issue today.

I would note that there are other avenues for members to raise this issue, including questions in Question Period, and raising the item under Members' Statements and also Grievances.

Therefore, with the greatest of respect, I rule the motion out of order as a matter of urgent public importance.

Hon. Mr. CULLEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 7) – The New West Partnership Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la mise en œuvre de l'Accord commercial du nouveau partenariat de l'Ouest (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CULLEN having spoken,

And Mr. ALLUM and Ms. KLASSEN having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. ALLUM, HELWER, LINDSEY and WHARTON and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

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

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 2, 2017.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.