

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 64

THIRD SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

PRAYER 10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with debate on Second Reading of Bill (No. 225).

The House resumed the debate on the Proposed Motion of Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 225) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act (Genetic Characteristics)/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne (caractéristiques génétiques), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Ms. FONTAINE, Messrs. TEITSMA, MICKLEFIELD and CURRY, Mrs. GUILLEMARD and Mr. MARTIN having spoken,

And Mr. EWASKO speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

The House resumed the Debate on the Proposed Resolution of Ms. FONTAINE:

Resolution No. 15: Protecting and Promoting French Language Services

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has made cuts across the province to French language services, including health care, that make it harder for francophone families to access the front line services they deserve while maintaining their language rights and ensure Manitoba preserves its vibrant, strong francophone communities; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government shuttered the bilingual St. Boniface Quick Care Clinic, which actively offered an essential health care service in French to St. Boniface families and seniors; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government cut nearly \$60,000 in funding for Actionmarguerite personal care home, cutting supports for quality care for St. Boniface seniors; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government is closing three emergency rooms across Winnipeg, significantly increasing pressure on the St. Boniface Hospital ER and increasing wait times for St. Boniface families; and

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WHEREAS access to French education is a source of pride for the community and represents a history of fighting for French language rights, and the Provincial Government's cuts indicate a deprioritization of French language education in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government cut the Assistant Deputy Minister's position for the Bureau de l'éducation française (BEF), which undermines the BEF's ability to provide strong French language education supports; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government's cuts forced post-secondary tuition to rise by 6.6% for universities in Manitoba, including the Université de Saint-Boniface, and cut an education tax rebate that helped new graduates pay off student loans and find a career in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government cut funding by more than \$50,000 for Centre Flavie-Laurent, which helped low income families in St. Boniface and East Winnipeg access housewares, furniture, clothing and other basic necessities of life; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government's regressive Bill 8 would severely limit revenue for community newspapers, including those that serve the French speaking community; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government slashed funding for the World Trade Centre and Conseil de développement économique des municipalités bilingues du Manitoba (CDEM).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to reverse its cuts to French language health care, education and community services and to make real investments that support and strengthen Manitoba's francophone communities for now and the future.

And the debate continuing,

And Mrs. GUILLEMARD, Messrs. LAGASSÉ, EWASKO and SARAN, Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE and Mr. ALTEMEYER having spoken,

And Mr. TEITSMA 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.

Hon. Mr. CULLEN presented:

Annual Report of the Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation for the fiscal year ending February 28, 2018.

(Sessional Paper No. 65)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation (Financial Statements) for the fiscal year ending February 28, 2018.

(Sessional Paper No. 66)

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), I	Hon. Mrs.	Cox, Ms.	LAMOUREUX	and Messrs.	WOWCHUK,	WIEBE and
REYES made Members' Statement	S.					

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. Allum – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to provide safe, high quality, affordable housing that helps working families, and to amend Bill 12 so that it no longer infringes on the rights of tenants. (P. Tolsma, M. Britt, P. Sigurdson and others)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to take the necessary steps to ensure that the Vimy Arena site is not used for an addiction treatment facility and to take the necessary steps to ensure the preservation of public land along Sturgeon Creek for the purposes of park land and recreational activities for public use (including being an important component of the Sturgeon Creek Greenway Trail and the Sturgeon Creek ecosystem) under the current designation of PR2 for the 255 Hamilton Avenue location at the Vimy Arena site, and to maintain the land to continue to be designated for Parks and Recreation Active Neighbourhood/Community. (A. Proutt, L. Proutt, W. Bergstrom and others)

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to immediately begin implementation of plans to convert systems and forms to be more inclusive of Two-Spirit and other non-binary individuals, whether it be to include a third gender option, or no requirement for gender on forms, unless medically or statistically necessary, including health cards, and birth certificates; to immediately instruct the Manitoba Public Insurance corporation to offer a third gender option, or no gender requirement for licenses or any other form of provincial identification; to instruct Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living to offer the option of Manitoba Health Cards with no gender in order to reduce the anxieties of transgender and non-binary persons accessing the healthcare system as a first step; and to consider revisiting legislation that may need updating to meet the needs of its citizens in this regard. (T. Campbell, S. McKay, K. Kilgour and others)

In accordance with Rule 33(8), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Protecting and Promoting French Language Services Resolution will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members' Business.

The House resumed the debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. SQUIRES:

THAT Bill (No. 29) – The Wildlife Amendment Act (Safe Hunting and Shared Management)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune (pratiques de chasse sécuritaires et gestion intégrée de la faune), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And on the Proposed Amendment of Mr. KINEW:

THAT the motion be amended by deleting all the words after the word "THAT" and substituting the following:

This House declines to give Second Reading to Bill (No. 29) – The Wildlife Amendment Act (Safe Hunting and Shared Management)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune (pratiques de chasse sécuritaires et gestion intégrée de la faune), because Bill (No. 29) fails to institute the principles necessary for a system of co-management for safe hunting in Manitoba.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Mr. LINDSEY, Ms. MARCELINO (Logan), Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) and Hon. Mr. FLETCHER having spoken,

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

YEA

ALLUM ALTEMEYER FONTAINE GERRARD KINEW KLASSEN	LINDSEY MALOWAY MARCELINO (Logan) MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) SWAN WIEBE
LAMOUREUX	
	NAY
BINDLE	Mayer
CLARKE	MICHALESKI
Cox	Micklefield
CULLEN	MORLEY-LECOMTE
Curry	NESBITT
EICHLER	PEDERSEN
EWASKO	PIWNIUK
FIELDING	REYES
Goertzen	SCHULER
GRAYDON	SMITH (Southdale)
Guillemard	SMOOK
ISLEIFSON	SQUIRES
JOHNSON	STEFANSON
JOHNSTON	Teitsma
Lagassé	WISHART
LAGIMODIERE	WOWCHUK
Martin	YAKIMOSKI34

The House then adjourned at 5:01 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 18, 2018.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER, Speaker.