



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 61

THIRD SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk formally advised the Assembly that the Speaker was unavoidably absent and called upon the Deputy Speaker to take the Chair pursuant to the Statutes. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Mr. JOHNSON presented:

Annual Report of The Municipal Board for the year ending December 31, 2020.
(Sessional Paper No. 94)

Hon. Mrs. COX, the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage, made a statement recognizing Manitoba Day.

Mr. BRAR and, by leave, Ms. LAMOUREUX commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. EWASKO, the Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Immigration, made a statement regarding the end of Ramadan.

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

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Hon. Mr. SCHULER, Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas), Mr. ISLEIFSON, Ms. MARCELINO and Mr. WOWCHUK made Members' Statements.

The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:

MLA ASAGWARA – To urge the Minister of Health and Seniors Care to open a genuine four bed Epilepsy Unit, similar to the one recently opened in Saskatchewan, at the Health Sciences Centre with modern equipment and adequate epilepsy neurosurgeons, neurologists, nurses, clerks and technicians; and to formally establish an Epilepsy Program to ensure that all epilepsy staff can deliver care to patients in a coordinated fashion.

Mr. BUSHIE – To urge the Minister of Health and Seniors Care to open a genuine four bed Epilepsy Unit, similar to the one recently opened in Saskatchewan, at the Health Sciences Centre with modern equipment and adequate epilepsy neurosurgeons, neurologists, nurses, clerks and technicians; and to formally establish an Epilepsy Program to ensure that all epilepsy staff can deliver care to patients in a coordinated fashion.

Ms. FONTAINE – To urge the Minister of Health and Seniors Care to implement free access to period necessities within public schools and Manitoba's health care system; and to acknowledge the prevalence of people within Manitoba who are unable to afford essential period items.

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – To urge the Provincial Government to provide financing for upgrades to the cochlear implant covered under Medicare, or provide funding assistance through the Cochlear Implant Speech Processor Replacement Program, to assist with the replacement costs associated with a device upgrade.

Mr. MALOWAY – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately demand Dynacare maintain all the phlebotomy (blood sample) sites existing prior to the Covid-19 public health emergency, and allow all Manitobans to get their blood and urine tests done when visiting their doctor, thereby facilitating local access to blood testing services.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to consider all remaining stages in the legislative process for Bill (No. 73) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (COVID-19 Vaccination Leave)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé à des fins de vaccination contre la COVID-19), including consideration in the Committee of the Whole.

Hon. Mr. FIELDING moved:

THAT Bill (No. 73) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (COVID-19 Vaccination Leave)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé à des fins de vaccination contre la COVID-19), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of the Whole.

(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. FIELDING having spoken,

And Mr. WASYLIW, Ms. LAMOUREUX, Mr. LINDSEY and Hon. Mr. GERRARD questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. WASYLIW and LINDSEY and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of the Whole.

Hon. Mr. FIELDING presented:

Message from Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 73).

(Sessional Paper No. 95)

The House resolving into Committee of the Whole.

Bill (No. 73) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (COVID-19 Vaccination Leave)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé à des fins de vaccination contre la COVID-19), was considered in the Committee of the Whole and reported without amendment.

Hon. Mr. FIELDING moved:

THAT Bill (No. 73) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (COVID-19 Vaccination Leave)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé à des fins de vaccination contre la COVID-19), reported from the Committee of the Whole, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. FIELDING, Messrs. WASYLIW and LINDSEY and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

His Honour, Chief Justice Richard Chartier, Administrator of the Province of Manitoba, having entered the House at 4:30 p.m., and being seated on the Throne:

Mr. Deputy Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:

Your Honour,

At this sitting, the Legislative Assembly has passed certain Bills that I ask Your Honour to give assent to.

(No. 14) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2020/Loi corrective de 2020

(No. 19) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2020 (2)/Loi corrective n° 2 de 2020

(No. 24) – The Legal Profession Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la profession d'avocat

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(No. 31) – The Horse Racing Regulatory Modernization Act (Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Act and Pari-Mutuel Levy Act Amended)/Loi sur la modernisation de la réglementation des courses de chevaux (modification de la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis et de la Loi concernant les prélèvements sur les mises de pari mutuel)

(No. 50) – The Legal Aid Manitoba Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'aide juridique du Manitoba

(No. 68) – The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative

(No. 73) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (COVID-19 Vaccination Leave)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé à des fins de vaccination contre la COVID-19)

To these Bills the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly as follows:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour assents to this Bill."

At 4:33 p.m., His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The House then adjourned at 4:34 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 13, 2021.

Doyle PIWNIUK,
Deputy Speaker.