



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 38

FIFTH SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

MLA MARCELINO moved:

THAT Bill (No. 228) – The Pay Transparency Act/Loi sur la transparence salariale, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And MLA MARCELINO having spoken,

And Messrs. MARTIN and ALTOMARE, Ms. LAMOUREUX and Mr. HELWER having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Ms. SQUIRES, MLA ASAGWARA, Hon. Ms. CLARKE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And Hon Mrs. GUILLEMARD speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

Mr. REDHEAD moved:

Resolution No. 8: Calling on the Provincial Government to Restore Thompson's Foot Care Clinic

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has cut millions of dollars from the Northern Regional Health Authority since taking office in 2016; and

WHEREAS these cuts have resulted in the loss of services such as Thompson's foot care clinic, which has forced people in Thompson and surrounding communities to travel far distances for foot care services; and

WHEREAS forcing people to travel for foot care services can be financially burdensome and goes directly against the Provincial Government's promise to provide care closer to home; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government claimed that the closure of the Thompson foot care clinic in 2019 would be temporary, yet it has taken no actions to restore services to date; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has shown no interest in reopening the foot care clinic despite the fact that over 2,400 people living in Thompson and surrounding communities have asked for the clinic to reopen; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has failed to offer sufficient alternative care for seniors and people living with diabetes in northern Manitoba after the clinic's closure; and

WHEREAS lack of preventative foot care services can result in expensive amputations that greatly impact individuals lives; and

WHEREAS cuts to Thompson's foot care services disproportionately impact seniors and diabetics, especially those who are at lower income level; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government's cuts to foot care and other essential healthcare services are short-sighted and have resulted in increased stress and pain for northern Manitobans.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to stop cutting health care services in northern Manitoba and restore foot care services Thompson.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. REDHEAD having spoken,

And Mr. SCHULER, Ms. NAYLOR, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Messrs. ISLEIFSON and WOWCHUK having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. SCHULER, Ms. NAYLOR, Mr. ISLEIFSON and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

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

In accordance with Rule 34(8), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Private Members' Resolution titled "Condemning the Provincial Government for Breaking its Promises to Seniors on Personal Care Home Beds" will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members' Business.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bill was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined:

(No. 235) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi

(Mr. MICKLEFIELD)

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Hon. Mr. KHAN, the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage, made a statement honouring Paul Jerrard, the First Black Coach in the NHL.

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

Pursuant to Rule 28(1), Hon. Ms. GORDON, Ms. LATHLIN, Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Mr. WASYLIW and Hon. Mr. PIWNIUK, made Members' Statements.

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

Mr. ALTOMARE – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately provide comprehensive and free public healthcare coverage to all residents of Manitoba regardless of immigration status, including refugee claimants, migrant workers, international students, dependent children of temporary residents, and undocumented residents; to urge the Minister of Health and Seniors Care to undertake a multilingual communication campaign to provide information on expanded coverage to all affected residents; to inform all healthcare institutions and providers of expanded coverage for those without public health insurance and the details on how necessary policy and protocol changes will be implemented; and to create and enforce strict confidentiality policies and provide staff with training to protect the safety of residents with precarious immigration status and ensure they can access public health care without jeopardizing their ability to remain in Canada.

Ms. LATHLIN – To urge the Minister of Infrastructure to complete an assessment of PR 224 and implement the appropriate repairs using public funds as quickly as possible.

Mr. MALOWAY – To urge the Provincial Government to adopt Right to Repair legislation requiring manufacturers of electronic devices and appliances, including washing machines and fridges, and farm machinery to make information, parts and tools necessary for repairs available to consumers and independent repair shops.

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately act by requiring landlords to inform renters and tenants if their rental units have lead water pipes; to provide an adequate number of water filters on an annual basis for tenants where there are rental units with lead pipes; and to immediately act by requiring the City of Winnipeg to replace all lead water pipes in Winnipeg by 2027, as the City of Regina is now doing.

The House resolving into Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 11, 2023.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.