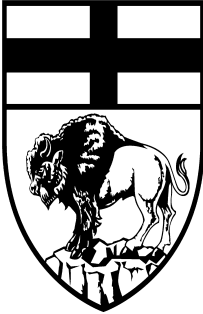


Wednesday, June 9, 2004

	<b>LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA</b>
	<b>ORDER PAPER</b> No. 52 and NOTICE PAPER
	<b>SECOND SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE</b>

**PRAYER**

**SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.**

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY**

Concurrence Motion

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**DEBATE ON REPORT STAGE – AMENDMENT:**

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU –

(No. 21) – The Non-Smokers Health Protection Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la protection de la santé des non-fumeurs (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)  
(Amendment – Mr. DERKACH)  
(Hon. Mr. SALE) (Stands)

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**OPPOSITION DAY MOTION:**

Mrs. DRIEDGER –

WHEREAS the Doer government formed government on a platform promising to "end hallway medicine in six months with \$15 million" as well as "rescuing health care"; and

WHEREAS the Doer government, since taking office, despite increasing the Department of Health's budget by more than \$1 billion, the majority of regional health authorities are running deficits and the WRHA is considering closing 100 beds or significantly cutting back on the number of surgeries to avoid a surgery program deficit; and

WHEREAS administrative costs at regional health authorities have tripled in some instances since 1999; and

WHEREAS despite promises by the Doer government to "drastically cut" waiting lists including cutting the wait for an MRI to 8 weeks, ultrasounds to one or two weeks, CT scans to 2 weeks, the waiting time for CT Scans, Ultrasounds, MRIs and MIBI Stress Tests are all higher today, in some cases more than double; and

WHEREAS a number of policy initiatives announced by the Doer government have had negative consequences on our health care system; and

WHEREAS these policies include cutting off Alzheimer patients in Winnipeg personal care homes of their dementia medications, demanding rural communities pay recruitment fees for physicians and increasing the Pharmacare deductible by over 15%; and

WHEREAS despite several deaths and miscarriages occurring at Winnipeg's emergency rooms while patients waited for care, the Doer government continues to refuse to initiate an external review of Winnipeg's emergency room program; and

WHEREAS the Minister of Health has publicly acknowledged that he 'has no grand scheme' for health care and refuses to implement any meaningful reform; and

WHEREAS major recommendations from Dr. Koshal's cardiac care external review have not been implemented over nine months later including the immediate recruitment of three program heads; and

WHEREAS the Doer government recently admitted to breaking its commitment to introduce a prostate cancer screening program; and

WHEREAS the Doer government has also broken its commitment to hire nurses for our public schools; and

WHEREAS the Doer government allowed the Health Sciences Centre to avoid reporting critical clinical occurrences, which has slowed down the analysis of preventable deaths and injuries; and

WHEREAS the Minister of Health talks about accountability, his actions include refusing to answer questions accurately and providing Manitobans with misleading information.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba condemn the Minister of Health for his inability to keep his government's health care election promises including ending hallway medicine in six months with \$15 million; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Minister of Health to involve front-line health care professionals in the development of meaningful reform of Manitoba's health care system to ensure its sustainability and universality.

**SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.**

## **ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

### **PETITIONS**

Mr. EICHLER  
Mrs. DRIEDGER  
Mr. LAMOUREUX  
Mr. MURRAY  
Mrs. STEFANSON  
Mr. FAURSCHOU  
Mrs. TAILLIEU

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### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

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# **NOTICE PAPER**

### **NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING:**

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, June 9, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. to consider Bills referred.