

Thursday, May 9, 2024



PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

SECOND READINGS – PRIVATE BILLS:

MLA LOISELLE –

(No. 300) – The Winnipeg Foundation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Fondation dénommée « The Winnipeg Foundation »

SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

Mr. OXENHAM –

(No. 208) – The Two-Spirit and Transgender Day of Visibility Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Journée de visibilité bispirituelle et transgenre (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

Mr. WHARTON –

(No. 213) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment and Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Corporation Amendment Act (Expanding Liquor Retail)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis et la Loi sur la Société manitobaine des alcools et des loteries (vente au détail d'une gamme élargie de boissons alcoolisées)

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

Mr. EWASKO –

(No. 201) – The Manitoba Emblems Amendment Act (Provincial Stone)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les emblèmes du Manitoba (désignation de la pierre provinciale)
(Open)

Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 203) – The Occupiers’ Liability Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la responsabilité des occupants
(MLA PANKRATZ – 4 minutes)

Mr. NESBITT –

(No. 211) – The Drivers and Vehicles Amendment Act (Manitoba Parks Licence Plates)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les conducteurs et les véhicules (plaques d’immatriculation des parcs du Manitoba)
(Hon. Min. CABLE – 7 minutes)

MLA CHEN –

(No. 212) – The Asian Heritage Month Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine asiatique (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)
(Ms. BYRAM – 4 minutes)

RESOLUTION:

Mr. PIWNIUK – Respecting Middle-Income Taxpayers

13. WHEREAS under the previous NDP Provincial Government, Manitoba had one of the highest rates of personal taxation, fees and property taxes in Canada; and

WHEREAS the previous NDP Provincial Government raised the Retail Sales Tax, also known as the PST, expanded the PST to multiple services, raised vehicle registrations fees, raised fuel taxes, and refused to index the personal income tax system to protect Manitobans from inflation; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government is raising education property taxes for middle class Manitobans by approximately \$148 million annually; and

WHEREAS under the current Provincial Government school divisions have been authorized to raise local property taxes by as much as 17 per cent; and

WHEREAS despite the Premier’s threats of “consequences” if grocery stores failed to reduce their prices, the cost of groceries is higher today than on January 1st; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government has raised taxes on physicians, pharmacists, engineers, lawyers and other occupations important to Manitobans; and

WHEREAS a recent Probe Poll shows that 4 out of 5 Manitobans do not believe Budget 2024/25 will make their life more affordable.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to eliminate property taxes and recognize that higher education and property taxes and relief with an expiration date fails to protect Manitobans from the cost of living crisis nor provide them with permanent, long-term affordability measures.

DEBATE ON RESOLUTIONS:

1. Mr. KHAN – Calling on the Provincial Government to Remove the Federal Carbon Tax on Home Heating Bills for Manitobans
(Mr. BRAR – 1 minute/68 minutes remaining)
2. Mr. OXENHAM – Commitment to Keeping Manitoba Public Insurance Publicly Owned
(Mr. PIWNIUK – 4 minutes/128 minutes remaining)
3. MLA LOISELLE – Louis Riel
(Mr. WOWCHUK – 9 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
4. Mr. NESBITT – Protecting Lake Winnipeg from Sewage Pollution
(MLA CROSS – 7 minutes/123 minutes remaining)
5. MLA MOROZ – Calling on the Federal Government to Reduce Corporate Food Waste
(Mr. NARTH – 8 minutes/126 minutes remaining)
6. MLA BEREZA – Calling on the Provincial Government to Remove the Federal Carbon Tax on Agriculture
(MLA PANKRATZ – 6 minutes/127 minutes remaining)
7. Mrs. STONE – Calling on the Provincial Government to Prioritize and Protect Children in Care and Commit to a Public Inquiry
(Hon. Ms. SMITH – 1 minute/123 minutes remaining)
8. MLA LAMOUREUX – Calling on the Provincial Government to Extend Employment Standards Benefits to Workers of the Gig Economy
(MLA LOISELLE – 4 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
9. Mr. JACKSON – Calling on the Provincial Government to Address the Overcrowding in Schools
(MLA LOISELLE – 2 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
10. MLA DEVGAN – Respecting Frontline workers
(Ms. BYRAM – 6 minutes/130 minutes remaining)

11. Mrs. COOK – Calling on the Provincial Government to put Patients over Politics
(Open/125 minutes remaining)

12. MLA DELA CRUZ – Respecting Seniors
(Mr. WOWCHUK– 10 minutes/123 minutes remaining)

SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 12) – The Environment Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’environnement

Hon. Min. NAYLOR –

(No. 26) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d’habitation

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 27) – The Labour Relations Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les relations du travail

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 28) – The Labour Relations Amendment Act (2)/Loi n° 2 modifiant la Loi sur les relations du travail

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 32) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’Hydro-Manitoba

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 35) – The Seniors’ Advocate Act/Loi sur le protecteur des aînés

Mr. BALCAEN –

(No. 204) – The Change of Name Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le changement de nom

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 205) – The Beneficiary Designation (Retirement, Savings and Other Plans) Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la désignation de bénéficiaires (régimes de retraite, d’épargne et autres)

Mrs. STONE –

(No. 206) – The Intimate Image Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des images intimes

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 210) – The Homeowner Protection from Unsolicited Purchase Offers Act/Loi sur la protection des propriétaires contre les offres d'achat non sollicitées

Mr. JOHNSON –

(No. 214) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act (Net-Metering Agreements)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba (ententes de facturation nette)

Mr. PERCHOTTE –

(No. 215) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Passing Vehicle on Shoulder)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (dépassement des véhicules sur l'accotement)

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(98 hours 15 minutes)

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 7) – The Public Sector Construction Projects (Tendering) Repeal Act/Loi abrogeant la Loi sur les projets de construction dans le secteur public (appels d'offres)

(Hon. Mr. WIEBE)

Designated Bill

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 9) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi

(Mr. NESBITT – 19 minutes)

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 30) – The Unexplained Wealth Act (Criminal Property Forfeiture Act and Corporations Act Amended)/Loi sur les richesses inexplicées (modification de la Loi sur la confiscation de biens obtenus ou utilisés criminellement et de la Loi sur les corporations)

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. JOHNSON in amendment thereto as follows:

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. 30) – The Unexplained Wealth Act (Criminal Property Forfeiture Act and Corporations Act Amended)/Loi sur les richesses inexplicées (modification de la Loi sur la confiscation de biens obtenus ou utilisés criminellement et de la Loi sur les corporations), because this House has not received satisfactory evidence or assurance that this Bill is different to the existing legislation that was brought forward and passed in this House in 2021.

(Mr. PIWNIUK – 8 minutes)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 16) – The Regulatory Accountability Reporting Act and Amendments to the Statutes and Regulations Act/Loi sur la remise de rapports relativement à la responsabilisation en matière de réglementation et modification de la Loi sur les textes législatifs et réglementaires

Designated Bill

Hon. Min. ALTOMARE –

(No. 21) – The Public Schools Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 29) – The Body Armour and Fortified Vehicle Control Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le contrôle des gilets de protection balistique et des véhicules blindés

Hon. Mr. MOSES –

(No. 31) – The Captured Carbon Storage Act/Loi sur le stockage de carbone capté
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Min. NAYLOR –

(No. 33) – The Change of Name Amendment Act (3)/Loi n° 3 modifiant la Loi sur le changement de nom

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 34) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 36) – The Regulated Health Professions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les professions de la santé réglementées

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 37) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2024/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2024 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTION:

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba condemn efforts that put the pensions of all Canadians at risk and affirm collective support for the Canada Pension Plan and measures and strategies that strengthen the national pension plan for seniors, retirees and all workers in the province and country.

(Hon. Min. FONTAINE)

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba affirm its commitment to immediately call for a ceasefire in the Israel and Gaza war to address the famine crisis.

(Open)

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.