

PRAYERS

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Premier to consider ensuring that acute care and emergency services are available to the residents of Rivers and surrounding areas in their local hospital and to live up to his promise to not close the Rivers Hospital and to request that the Minister of Health consider developing a long term solution to the chronic shortages of frontline healthcare professionals in rural Manitoba. (C. Burton, T. Dyck, B. Dunn and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to consider providing East St. Paul with local ambulance service which would service both East and West St. Paul and to consider improving the way that ambulance service is supplied to all Manitoba's by utilizing technologies such as GPS in conjunction with a Medical Transportation Co-ordination Center (MTCC) which will ensure that patients receive the nearest ambulance in the least amount of time and to consider ensuring that appropriate funding is provided to maintain superior response times and sustainable services. (E. Friesen, J. Friesen, G. Friesen and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to consider adopting generally accepted accounting principles in reporting Manitoba's budgetary numbers. (L. Tejones, E. Sayson, A. Sayson and others)

Mr. HAWRANIK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Premier of Manitoba to consider covering the cost of insulin pumps that are prescribed by an Endocrinologist or Medical Doctor under the Manitoba Health Insurance Plan. (V. Stamler, B. Augustine, E. Makela)

The following Bills were severally read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 35) – The Capital Region Partnership Act/Loi sur le Partenariat de la région de la capitale. (Hon. Mr. SMITH)

(No. 36) – The Courts Administration Improvement Act/Loi visant à améliorer l'administration des tribunaux.

(Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH)

(No. 37) – The Municipal Assessment Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'évaluation municipale.

(Hon. Mr. SMITH)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. CUMMINGS and JENNISSEN, Mrs. ROWAT, Messrs. CALDWELL and LAMOUREUX made Members' Statements.

By unanimous consent, the sequence for consideration of estimates, as outlined in Sessional Paper No. 37 tabled on March 17, 2005, was further amended in order that the estimates of Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives be considered in Room 254 prior to Health.

The House resolving into Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 5:31 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, 2005.

Hon. George HICKES, Speaker.