

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. TAILLIEU – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to consider making the completion of the dividing of the Trans Canada Highway in Headingley in 2008 an urgent Provincial Government priority and to consider evaluating whether any other steps can be taken to improve motorist safety while the dividing of the Trans Canada Highway in Headingley is being completed. (S. Storkmann, P. O'Meara, A. Spencler and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to consider adequate funding for the PAA on a long-term basis to ensure that the current retired teachers, as well as all future retirees, receive a fair COLA. (J. Carnegie, D. Frye, G. Brown and others)

Mr. MAGUIRE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Health to consider taking serious action to fill the nursing vacancies at personal care homes in the Town of Virden and to consider reopening the beds that have been closed as a result of this nursing shortage and to consider prioritizing the needs of those seniors that have been moved out of their community by committing to move those individuals back into Virden as soon as beds become available. (C. Gibson, A. Duffield, A. Stuart and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Premier to consider attending the November 5th public meeting at the Munroe Public Library which is located in his constituency. (E. Tan, A. Ramos, R. Alvaran and others)

Mr. REID, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions:

- Wednesday September 24, 2003
- Monday November 21, 2005
- Thursday October 25, 2007

All meetings were held in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2007

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the November 21, 2005 meeting:

- Mr. AGLUGUB
- Ms. BRICK (Chairperson)
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. HAWRANIK
- Mr. JHA
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Mr. PENNER
- Mr. REID
- Hon. Mr. ROBINSON
- Mr. SCHELLENBERG
- Mr. SCHULER

At the November 21, 2005 meeting, your Committee elected Mr. AGLUGUB as the Vice-Chairperson.

Substitutions received during committee proceedings:

- Mr. DEWAR for Hon. Mr. ROBINSON
- Mr. FAURSCHOU for Mr. SCHULER

Committee Membership for the October 25, 2007 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. ASHTON
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Ms. MARCELINO
- Mr. REID
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Mr. SWAN
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. FAURSCHOU
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. PEDERSEN

Your Committee elected Mr. REID as the Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Ms. HOWARD as the Vice-Chairperson.

Substitutions received during committee proceedings:

• Mr. Jha for Mr. Dewar

Officials Speaking on Record

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following report as presented:

• Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003

Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006
- Annual Report of the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2007

On motion of Mr. REID, the Report of the Committee was received.

Hon. Mr. LATHLIN presented:

Communities Economic Development Fund, Quarterly Report, Three Months, April 1 to June 30, 2007.

(Sessional Paper No. 117)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. HOWARD, Mrs. STEFANSON, Ms. BRICK, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Mr. SWAN made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 27, Messrs. FAURSCHOU and GRAYDON rose on Grievances.

The Order of the Day having been read for consideration of Report Stage Amendment of Bill (No. 3) – The Healthy Child Manitoba Act/Loi sur la stratégie « Enfants en santé Manitoba », reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development:

Hon. Mr. GERRARD moved:

THAT Bill 3 be amended in Clause 15(1) by striking out "At least once every five years" and substituting "Each year".

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS and Mr. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived.

Hon. Mr. GERRARD then moved:

THAT Bill 3 be amended as follows:

(a) in Clause 21(2), by striking out "and" at the end of clause (a), adding "and" at the end of clause (b) and adding the following after clause (b):

(c) appear before the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs at least once each year to report on child health in Manitoba.

(b) by adding the following after Clause 21(8) and before the next centred heading:

Meeting of legislative committee to consider child health

21.1(1) The President of the Executive Council must convene a meeting of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs at least once each year to hear from the members of the advisory committee and consider their report on child health in Manitoba.

Meetings of committee

21.1(2) To carry out its responsibilities, the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs may meet during a session of the Legislature or during a recess after prorogation.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS and Mr. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived.

Hon. Mr. GERRARD then moved:

THAT Bill 3 be amended in Clause 21(3) by adding "and one of whom must be chosen from a list of persons recommended by the board of the Manitoba Institute of Child Health, a division of The Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba, Inc." at the end.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived.

The Order of the Day having been read for consideration of Report Stage Amendment of Bill (No. 14) – The Government Purchases Amendment Act (Responsible Manufacturing)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les achats du gouvernement (pratiques équitables des fabricants), reported from the Standing Committee on Justice:

Mr. MAGUIRE moved:

THAT Bill 14 be amended in Clause 6 by striking out "a day to be fixed by proclamation" and substituting "the day it receives royal assent".

And a debate arising,

And Mr. MAGUIRE and Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived.

Hon. Mr. ASHTON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 6) – The Adult Literacy Act/Loi sur l'alphabétisation des adultes, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. ASHTON, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

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

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 8) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Regional Vocational Schools)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (écoles professionnelles régionales, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK, Messrs. SCHULER and LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

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

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 10) – The Family Maintenance Amendment and Inter-jurisdictional Support Orders Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'obligation alimentaire et la Loi sur l'établissement et l'exécution réciproque des ordonnances alimentaires, reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK, Messrs. HAWRANIK, LAMOUREUX and GRAYDON having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

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

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 16) – The Statutory Holidays Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les jours fériés (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), as amended and reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK, Mrs. TAILLIEU and Mr. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

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

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 30, 2007.

Hon. George HICKES, Speaker.