



PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH, Bill (No. 19) – The Legal Profession Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la profession d'avocat, was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. EWASKO – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government and the Minister of Health to ensure that the Beausejour District Hospital and Primary Care Centre have a primary care physician available on weekends and holidays to better provide area residents with this essential service. (L. Cyncora, E. Cyncora, L. Jackson and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Provincial Government immediately direct Manitoba Hydro to engage with MBLC/CAEPLA in order to negotiate a fair business agreement that addresses the many legitimate concerns of farm families affected by the BiPole III transmission line. (A. Dyback, J. Nikkel, B. Rempel and others)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. OSWALD, Mrs. DRIEDGER, Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS and Messrs. EICHLER and WIEBE made Members' Statements.

The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. DEWAR:

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government.

And the proposed amendment moved by Mr. PALLISTER as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "House" and substituting:

therefore regrets that this budget neglects the priorities of Manitobans by:

a) failing to recognize that Manitobans are tired of broken promises such as: balancing the budget by 2014 and not raising taxes; not respecting the right to vote on tax increases and not recognizing that Manitobans want a change for the better; and

- b) failing to recognize Manitobans are paying more and getting less due to front line services like health care and education being ranked last and also due to an average family in Winnipeg having to pay \$3,200 more in provincial taxes than a comparable average family living in Regina; and
- c) failing to acknowledge that government waste has caused the provincial debt to double since 2008 requiring Manitobans to pay more than \$800 million in debt interest charges which threatens Manitoba's future as that money cannot be invested to protect essential frontline services, reduce health care wait times or improve education results for our children.

As a consequence, the Provincial Government has thereby lost the confidence of this House and the people of Manitoba.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Mr. PIWNIUK, Hon. Ms. BLADY, Mr. GRAYDON, Ms. OSWALD, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN having spoken.

And Mr. SMOOK speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

In accordance with Rule 31(9), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Severance Payments Costing Manitoba Families Resolution will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members' Business.

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH presented:

Sequence for consideration of the Estimates by the Committee of Supply, both in the Chamber and outside the Chamber.

(Sessional Paper No. 27)

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 8, 2015.

Hon. Daryl REID, Speaker.