

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 12

FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

PRAY	ERS 1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
	Hon. Mr. McCRAE presented:
1998.	Annual Report of the Council on Post-Secondary Education for the fiscal year ended March 31,
	(Sessional Paper No. 62)
	Also:
	Annual Report of Brandon University for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 63) Also:
	Annual Report of the University of Manitoba for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 64) Also:
	Annual Report of The Public Schools Finance Board for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 65)
	Also:
	Annual Report of the University of Winnipeg for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 66)
	Also:
1998.	Annual Report of the Department of Education and Training for the fiscal year ended March 31,
	(Sessional Paper No. 67)
	Hon. Mr. CUMMINGS presented: Annual Report of the Department of Natural Resources for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998.

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Also: Annual Report of the Sustainable Development Innovations Fund for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 69) Also: Annual Report of The Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 70) Also: Financial Statements of Venture Manitoba Tours Inc. for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 71) Also: Annual Report of the Pineland Forest Nursery for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. (Sessional Paper No. 72) Pursuant to Rule 20 (1), Mrs. DRIEDGER (Charleswood), Messrs. MACKINTOSH, FAURSCHOU, LATHLIN and REID made Members' Statements. Bill (No. 2) - The Electoral Divisions Amendment Act; Loi modifiant la Loi sur les circonscriptions électorales, was considered in the Committee of the Whole and reported without amendment.

Hon. Mr. FILMON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 17) - The Elections Amendment and Elections Finances Amendment Act; Loi modifiant la Loi électorale et la Loi sur le financement des campagnes électorales, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. FILMON, Ms. BARRETT, Mr. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And Mr. ASHTON speaking,

During debate, Mr. KOWALSKI rose on a point of order regarding comments allegedly spoken by the Honourable Member for Thompson in reference to the Honourable Member for Inkster,

And Mr. ASHTON having spoken to the point of order,

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker informed the House she would take the matter under advisement.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. ASHTON concluding his remarks,

And Mr SALE having spoken,

And Mr. KOWALSKI speaking at 5:00 p.m.,

The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

Mr. EVANS (Interlake) moved:

Resolution No. 3: Access to Health Services

WHEREAS the five principles of Medicare are universality, accessibility, comprehensiveness, portability, and public administration; and

WHEREAS more and more often, residents of Manitoba cannot access health services when and where they need them; and

WHEREAS the chronic shortage of hospital beds in Winnipeg, especially at the tertiary care centres, has a serious negative impact across the province; and

WHEREAS following an incident where a man suffering serious gunshot wounds could not be admitted to the Health Sciences Centre, the Interlake Regional Health Authority wrote to the Vice President of Clinical Services for the Winnipeg Hospital Authority to express concerns about timely access to medical care; and

WHEREAS the Interlake Regional Health Authority asked, "What do you suggest we do when H.S.C. refuses to take the trauma patient, either because their O.R.'s are full, or because they have 'no surgical beds."; and

WHEREAS the Interlake Regional Health Authority letter goes on to say, "What we in rural Manitoba find upsetting is the second-class treatment our patients receive from Winnipeg Hospitals. If our patient had shot himself in Winnipeg, he surely would have been treated at H.S.C."; and

WHEREAS serious incidents have occurred across the province where patients should have been admitted to Winnipeg hospitals for treatment or surgery, but could not be transferred because there were no available beds; and

WHEREAS by failing to ensure that there are enough hospital beds to admit seriously ill or injured Manitobans, the Provincial Government is undermining the principles of Medicare.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to consider taking immediate action to ensure that all Manitobans have access to quality health services when they need them, regardless of where they live.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. EVANS (Interlake), Mrs. DRIEDGER (Charleswood) and Messrs. LAURENDEAU and CHOMIAK having spoken,

And Hon. Mr. PRAZNIK speaking at 6:00 p.m.,
The debate was allowed to remain in his name.
The House then adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

Hon. Louise Dacquay, Speaker.