



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 3

FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN, Bill (No. 2) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Winnipeg Police Service Auxiliary Cadets)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (cadets auxiliaires du Service de police de Winnipeg), was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Transportation consider the immediate installation of traffic signals at the intersection of PTH #15 and Highway #206 in Dugald and to recognize the value of the lives and well-being of the students and citizens of Manitoba. (D. Bond, R. Sigurdson, L. McLeod and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Justice to consider working with the RCMP, the federal government and communities to develop strategies to address service challenges in rural Manitoba, such as the possibility of having response units that could be dispatched to regions affected by crime waves and to consider working with stakeholders to determine if the current RCMP detachment boundaries are designed to ensure the swiftest and most effective service delivery. (R. Anderson, T. Ducharme, R. Ducharme and others)

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Justice to consider ensuring that all court orders for car thieves are vigorously monitored and enforced and to consider ensuring all breaches of court orders on car thieves are reported to police and vigorously prosecuted. (K. Power, R. Panufnik, R. Smith and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to allow Manitoba Hydro to proceed with the shorter, cheaper and greener east side route, subject to necessary regulatory approvals, enabling the utility to keep our Hydro bills lower, and to ensure a more reliable electricity system. (J. Brownell, L. Tarko, N. MacDonald and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider making the Province of Manitoba a leader in CCSVI research and to move forward with clinical trials as soon as possible. (T. Kostyra, R. Kostyra, T. McLachlan and others)

Mrs. TAILLIEU – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to allow Manitoba Hydro to proceed with the shorter, cheaper and greener east side route, subject to necessary regulatory approvals, enabling the utility to keep our Hydro bills lower, and to ensure a more reliable electricity system. (W. Reimer, A. Teghtmeyer, K. Friesen and others)

Hon. Ms. MCGIFFORD presented:

Annual Report of the Red River College for the year ending June 30, 2010.

(Sessional Paper No. 3)

Annual Report of the Assiniboine Community College for the year ending June 30, 2010.

(Sessional Paper No. 4)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. BRAUN, Mrs. TAILLIEU, Ms. BLADY and Messrs. DYCK and CALDWELL made Members' Statements.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Mr. JENNISSEN:

THAT the following address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor:

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba thank your Honour for the gracious speech addressed to us at this Fifth Session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature of Manitoba.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. MCFADYEN having spoken,

And Mr. MCFADYEN moved an amendment as follows:

THAT the Motion be amended by adding at the end the following words:

But this House regrets:

- a) That the Government's Throne Speech failed to acknowledge that after 11 years, violent crime is rising, waste is rampant and past health care promises have been broken; and
- b) That the Speech did not provide a credible plan to reduce violent crime, reduce waste and improve health care; and
- c) That the Speech endorses large, ongoing deficits and rising debt, which will result in higher taxes for Manitoba families; and
- d) That the Speech failed to acknowledge the Government's misguided plan to raise taxes on Manitoba families starting after October 2011; and

- e) That the Speech failed to take immediate steps to improve Manitoba's competitive position by seeking entry into the New West Partnership; and
- f) That the Speech failed to protect Manitoba seniors and families from hydro rate increases caused by the Premier's interference in Manitoba Hydro; and
- g) That the Speech fails to acknowledge that for 11 years the Government has wasted money on bloated healthcare bureaucracy and boardrooms at the expense of front line care; and
- h) That the Speech fails to acknowledge that the shortage of personal care home beds in Manitoba is a direct result of the Government's failure to plan for the needs of our seniors; and
- i) That the Speech fails to recognize that far too many of our First Nations and Métis people remain on the outside of the economic life of our province or to offer a plan to address this significant failure; and
- j) That the Speech fails to assure parents that their children are learning the skills they need to succeed in today's work force; and
- k) That the Speech continues the Government's divisive policies of neglecting or penalizing Manitoba's farm families and rural communities; and
- l) That the Speech fails to acknowledge the chaos in Manitoba's child welfare system caused by its policies, or to apologize for the tragic abuse and loss of life caused by this Government's political interference in the child welfare system; and
- m) That the Speech fails to deal with the problem of increased drunk driving, or to acknowledge that this reckless behaviour has caused heartache for far too many families; and
- n) That the Speech fails to deal with addictions treatment, or to acknowledge that drug abuse and addiction are contributing to much of the crime that plagues our province, now known as the violent crime capital of Canada; and
- o) That while the Speech contains many good ideas offered by Members of the Opposition, it fails to convince this House that they will actually be implemented; and
- p) That the Speech fails to acknowledge the Government's 11 year track record of failure to keep other promises, like ending hallway medicine, causing this House to realize that the promises contained in the Speech are unlikely to be kept; and
- q) That the current Government has failed in its promises to Manitobans, and as a result it is now clearer than ever that it will require a new government to deliver positive results on crime reduction, fiscal responsibility, job creation, tax relief, protection from rate hikes, access to family physicians, support for farm families, the cleanup of Lake Winnipeg, better sports facilities and infrastructure, stability within Child and Family Services and other goals that are supported by all Manitobans.

And as a consequence, the Government has thereby lost the trust and confidence of the people of Manitoba and this House.

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Hon. Ms. OSWALD, Mrs. STEFANSON, Hon. Ms. HOWARD and Mr. PEDERSEN having spoken.

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

By leave, during the debate, the House reverted to "Tabling of Reports".

Mr. DERKACH, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions:

- April 29, 2009
- May 19, 2010
- November 17, 2010

Matters under Consideration

- Auditor General's Report – Special Audit: Rural Municipality of La Broquerie dated March 2008
- Auditor General's Report on the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority – Administration of the Value-Added Policy dated May 2010

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the April 29, 2009 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DERKACH (*Chairperson*)
- Ms. HOWARD (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. LAMOUREUX
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. MAGUIRE
- Ms. SELBY
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Mrs. STEFANSON

Committee Membership for the May 19, 2010 meeting:

- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DERKACH (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mrs. DRIEDGER
- Mr. GRAYDON
- Mr. JENNISSEN
- Mr. LAMOUREUX
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF
- Mr. STEFANSON
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Committee Membership for the November 17, 2010 meeting:

- Mr. BOROTSIK
- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. DERKACH (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. DEWAR (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mrs. DRIEDGER
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF
- Mr. STEFANSON
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Officials Speaking on Record

Officials speaking on the record at the April 29, 2009 meeting:

- Carol Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba
- Hon. Mr. ASHTON
- Linda McFadyen, Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs

Officials speaking on the record at the May 19, 2010 meeting:

- Carol Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba
- Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX
- Ms. Linda McFadyen, Deputy Minister of Local Government

Officials speaking on the record at the November 17, 2010 meeting:

- Carol Bellringer, Auditor General of Manitoba
- Hon. Ms. OSWALD
- Mr. Milton Sussman, Deputy Minister of Health
- Ms. Linda McFadyen, Deputy Minister of Local Government

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Auditor General's Report – Special Audit: Rural Municipality of La Broquerie dated March 2008
- Auditor General's Report on the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority – Administration of the Value-Added Policy dated May 2010

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

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 19, 2010.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.