



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 31

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

#### PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Hon. Min. MOYES tabled:

Four-Year Report on Nutrient Levels in Manitoba Water Bodies and Actions Underway, dated December 2024.

(Sessional Paper No. 13)

Hon. Mr. WIEBE tabled:

Annual Report of the Manitoba Court of Appeal for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2022, March 31, 2023, and March 31, 2024.

(Sessional Paper No. 14)

Hon. Min. KENNEDY, the Minister of Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism, made a statement regarding today being the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Mr. PERCHOTTE commented on the statement.

Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), MLA CHEN, Mr. KING, MLA MALOWAY and Messrs. JACKSON and PERCHOTTE made Member's statements.

The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:

MLA BEREZA – To urge the Provincial Government to support the investment and placement of a CT scanner machine in the Neepawa Health Centre in Neepawa, Manitoba.

Ms. BYRAM – To urge the Provincial Government to support the investment and placement of a CT scanner machine in the Neepawa Health Centre in Neepawa, Manitoba.

Mrs. COOK – To urge the Provincial Government to proceed with the planned renovation and expansion of Phoenix School without further delay.

Mr. GUENTER – To urge the Provincial Government to lobby the Federal Government to develop and implement a comprehensive plan to assist border communities in managing the rise in illegal border crossings into Manitoba; to work closely with federal and local authorities to ensure adequate resources, including funding and support for emergency services, are available to protect local communities; and that immediate measures be taken to dismantle and destroy all human smuggling networks operating in Manitoba.

Mrs. HIEBERT – To urge the Provincial Government to take immediate action and recognize the critical need of this wastewater project for economic growth and environmental stability by committing to advocating and working with the Federal Government to close the gap with additional funding for Morden's wastewater treatment system; and to ensure all levels of government and regulatory bodies will expedite necessary funding and approvals necessary to advance the Morden wastewater project with no further delay and ensure no hindrance to growth and economic development for Morden and southern Manitoba.

Mr. JACKSON – To urge the Provincial Government to address the conditions of Provincial Trunk Highway 34, making the necessary upgrades to RTAC standard and to resurface the road once the new bridge has been completed.

Mr. KING – To urge the Provincial Government to take immediate and decisive action on bail reform to address serious deficits in enforcement by utilizing all available provincial mechanisms to strengthen warrant enforcement, increasing bail supervision, and opposing release of offenders, thus ensuring that repeat violent offenders are held accountable and that public safety is prioritized over leniency; and to lobby the Federal Government to immediately repeal provisions of the Criminal Code that allow for the continued victimization of law-abiding Manitobans while granting repeat offenders additional rights.

Mr. NARTH – To urge the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure to prioritize the reconstruction of Provincial Road 210; and to urge the Provincial Government to include the stretch of Provincial Road 210 from Woodridge to Highway 12 in its reconstruction plans.

Mr. NESBITT – To urge the Provincial Government to support the investment and placement of a CT scanner machine in the Neepawa Health Centre in Neepawa, Manitoba.

Mr. PERCHOTTE – To urge the Provincial Government to lobby the Federal Government to stop the expansion of medical assistance in dying to those for whom mental illness is the sole condition; and to protect Canadians struggling with mental illness by facilitating treatment, recovery, and medical assistance in living, not death.

The House resumed debate on the proposed motion of Hon. Min. SALA:

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

And the debate continuing,

And Mrs. STONE, MLA CROSS and Mr. JACKSON having spoken,

And MLA COMPTON speaking at 12:30 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

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Mrs. COOK asked Written Question (No. 6) for reply to the following:

6. For several years, the top capital priority of the St. James-Assiniboia School Division has been the renovation and the expansion of Phoenix School in Headingley. In 2022, the Phoenix School expansion and renovation project was approved to proceed. The project included, among other amenities, a new gymnasium, two new classrooms, a multipurpose room, and room for 74 child-care spaces. However, in June 2024, the Provincial Government cancelled the project. Will the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning reverse this decision, and support students, teachers and families in Headingley by proceeding with this much-needed project in the upcoming provincial budget?

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The House then adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, March 24, 2025.

Hon. Tom LINDSEY,  
Speaker.