

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No.

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 225) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Universal Screening for Learning Disabilities)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (dépistage systématique des troubles d'apprentissage)

(MLA LAMOUREUX)

(No. 221) – The Wildlife Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune (Mr. WOWCHUK)

(No. 222) – The Criminal Trespassers Act and Amendments to The Occupiers' Liability Act/Loi sur les intrus criminels et modification de la Loi sur la responsabilité des occupants

(Mr. JOHNSON)

MLA PANKRATZ, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Justice, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings

Your Committee met on March 25, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Bill (No. 2) The Provincial Court Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale
- **Bill (No. 5)** The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impaired Driving Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas d'infractions de conduite avec facultés affaiblies)
- **Bill (No. 31)** The Property Controls for Grocery Stores and Supermarkets Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les instruments de contrôle de biens-fonds visant des épiceries et des supermarchés (modification de diverses lois)
- **Bill (No. 42)** The Buy Canadian Act (Government Purchases Act Amended)/Loi sur l'achat au Canada (modification de la Loi sur les achats du gouvernement)

Committee Membership

- Mr. BALCAEN
- Mr. Guenter
- Hon. Min. NAYLOR
- Mr. OXENHAM
- MLA PANKRATZ
- Hon. Mr. WIEBE

Your Committee elected MLA PANKRATZ as the Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Mr. OXENHAM as the Vice-Chairperson.

Substitutions received during Committee proceedings:

• Hon. Min. SANDHU for Hon. Mr. WIEBE

Non-Committee Members Speaking on Record

MLA LAMOUREUX

Public Presentations

Your Committee heard the following three presentations on **Bill (No. 2)** – The Provincial Court Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale:

Susan Dawes Provincial Judges' Association of Manitoba

David Grant Private citizen
Cory Hoes Private citizen

Your Committee heard the following four presentations on **Bill (No. 5)** – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impaired Driving Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas d'infractions de conduite avec facultés affaiblies):

David GrantPrivate citizenKaren ReimerPrivate citizenIda Marie PoitrasPrivate citizenGarth SteekPrivate citizen

Written Submissions

Your Committee received the following one written submission on **Bill** (**No. 5**) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impaired Driving Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas d'infractions de conduite avec facultés affaiblies):

Tanya Hansen Pratt MADD Canada

Bills Considered and Reported

• Bill (No. 2) – The Provincial Court Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment

• **Bill (No. 5)** – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impaired Driving Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas d'infractions de conduite avec facultés affaiblies)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill with the following amendments:

THAT Clause 7(3) of the Bill be amended in the proposed subsection 264(1.2.3) by adding "unrelated" after "two".

THAT Clause 8 of the Bill be amended in the proposed subsection 264.1(2) by adding "unrelated" after "two".

• **Bill (No. 31)** – The Property Controls for Grocery Stores and Supermarkets Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les instruments de contrôle de biens-fonds visant des épiceries et des supermarchés (modification de diverses lois)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• **Bill (No. 42)** – The Buy Canadian Act (Government Purchases Act Amended)/Loi sur l'achat au Canada (modification de la Loi sur les achats du gouvernement)

On motion of MLA PANKRATZ the Report of the Committee was received

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

Mr. GUENTER commented on the statement.

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The Speaker tabled:
Auditor General's Independent Assurance Report – Preparing Incarcerated Individuals for Transition from Custody, dated March 2025.
(Sessional Paper No. 17)
Auditor General's Report: Follow up of Previously Issued Recommendations, dated February 2025. (Sessional Paper No. 18)
Hon. Min. SANDHU, the Minister of Public Service Delivery, made a statement regarding Procurement Month.

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), Hon. Min. MOROZ, Messrs. WOWCHUK, OXENHAM and NARTH and MLA LAMOUREUX made Member's statements.
The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:
Mr. EWASKO – 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. BALCAEN – To urge the Provincial Government to order an out-of-province review of the prosecutor's decision to not prosecute the accomplice in the death of Jordyn Reimer.
Mr. JOHNSON – To urge the Provincial Government to reverse its decision to cut the funding for the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels Project and to immediately take steps to expedite its completion.
Ms. BYRAM – 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.
Mrs. COOK – To urge the Provincial Government to proceed with the planned renovation and expansion of Phoenix School without further delay.
By leave, the House agreed allow the Honourable Member for Tyndall Park to switch her Member's statement scheduled for Wednesday, April 9, 2025, with one allocated to the Official Opposition caucus on Thursday, May 22, 2025.
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 MLAs COMPTON, LAMOUREUX and PANKRATZ, Mr. WOWCHUK, Ms. LATHLIN and MLAs LAGASSÉ and LOISELLE having spoken,
And Mr. EWASKO speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.
The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 27, 2025.
Hon. Tom LINDSEY, Speaker.