

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

ORDER PAPER

No. 8

and NOTICE PAPER

FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Mr. SELINGER -

(No. 6) – The Registered Retirement Savings Protection Act/Loi sur la protection des régimes enregistrés d'épargne en vue de la retraite

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK -

(No. 8) – The Public Accounts Committee Meeting Dates Act (Legislative Assembly Act Amended)/Loi sur les dates de réunion du Comité des comptes publics (modification de la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative)

Mr. Lamoureux -

(No. 203) – The Liquor Control Amendment Act (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Prevention)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools (prévention de l'ensemble des troubles causés par l'alcoolisation fœtale)

Hon. Mr. GERRARD -

(No. 204) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment Act (Harassment in the Workplace)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité et l'hygiène du travail (harcèlement dans le lieu de travail)

Mr. LAMOUREUX -

(No. 205) – The Milk Prices Review Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le contrôle du prix du lait

Mrs. Stefanson -

(No. 207) – The Teachers' Pensions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la pension de retraite des enseignants

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ADJOURNED DEBATE (Sixth Day of Debate):

On the Proposed Motion of Ms. BRICK –

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-Eighth Legislature of Manitoba.

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. McFadyen in amendment thereto as follows:

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

But this House regrets

- (a) the government's failure to provide meaningful and competitive tax relief for Manitobans; and
- (b) the government's failure to provide foster placements for the unprecedented number of children in care housed in hotels; and

- (c) the government's failure to acknowledge that hallway medicine still exists in Manitoba, and that it has now progressed to a crisis in Winnipeg's emergency rooms due to a critical shortage of doctors; and
- (d) the government's failure to implement an effective strategy to reduce wait times for diagnostic testing, surgical procedures and appointments with specialists; and
- (e) the government's failure to address the critical shortage of health care professionals, which is crippling the ability of the system to provide timely access to care; and
- (f) the government's failure to keep rural emergency rooms open despite promising to do so, forcing Manitobans to travel crumbling highways to access emergency care; and
- (g) the government's failure to offer assurances to students and parents that educational outcomes and greater accountability in the education system are a high priority; and
- (h) the government's failure to call an independent public inquiry into the Crocus Investment Fund scandal, which resulted in 34,000 Manitobans losing more than \$60 million; and
- (i) the government's failure to ensure prudent expenditure of taxpayers' dollars, spending millions of dollars on rebranding campaigns and pre-election advertising; and
- (j) the government's failure to support the construction of a new transmission line for hydroelectricity on the east side of Lake Winnipeg, which will cost Hydro ratepayers over \$500 million; and
- (k) the government's failure to implement a long-term provincial strategy to recruit and retain police officers; and
- (1) the government's failure to crack down on auto thieves and gang activity; and
- (m) the government's failure to address court backlogs and the flourishing remand culture in Manitoba; and
- (n) the government's failure to focus on the competitiveness of our post-secondary institutions compared to others across the country; and
- (o) the government's failure to provide a strategy to promote growth in Manitoba's agricultural economy, focusing instead on issues under federal jurisdiction; and
- (p) the government's failure to implement a plan to market by-products of the biofuel production process; and
- (q) the government's failure to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and
- (r) the government's failure to acknowledge that it was Manitoba Progressive Conservatives who announced ideas for rebates on hybrid vehicles, an external review of the regionalization of health care and grandparents' rights legislation; and

- (s) the government's failure to ensure the promised level of flood protection for the City of Winnipeg; and
- (t) the government's failure to provide better economic development opportunities for rural and northern Manitoba; and
- (u) the government's failure to create a competitive environment that encourages private sector businesses to come to Manitoba and spur job creation and economic growth; and
- (v) the government's failure to address the out-migration of Manitobans, especially our youth.

AND HAS THEREBY lost the trust and confidence of the people of Manitoba and this House. (Open)

REPORT STAGE AMENDMENTS:

Hon. Mr. SELINGER -

(No. 25) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act (Payday Loans)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur (prêts de dépannage)

(amended – Committee)
[Amendment (1) – Hon. Mr. GERRARD]

Hon. Ms. McGifford -

(No. 29) – The Degree Granting Act/Loi sur l'attribution de grades [Amendment (1) – Hon. Mr. GERRARD]

Hon. Mr. LATHLIN -

(No. 33) – The Northern Affairs Act/Loi sur les affaires du Nord (amended – Committee) [Amendment (1) – Hon. Mr. GERRARD]

Hon. Mr. SELINGER -

(No. 34) – The Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act/Loi sur les divulgations faites dans l'intérêt public (protection des divulgateurs d'actes répréhensibles)

(amended – Committee) [Amendment (6) – Hon. Mr. GERRARD]

Hon. Ms. OSWALD -

(No. 41) – The Pharmaceutical Act/Loi sur les pharmacies (amended – Committee)

[Amendment (13) – Hon. Mr. GERRARD]

CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

Hon. Mr. LATHLIN –

(No. 32) – The Real Property Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les biens réels

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. ROBINSON –

(No. 28) – The Manitoba Museum Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le Musée du Manitoba

(Mr. LAMOUREUX)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH –

(No. 38) – The Housing and Renewal Corporation Amendment Act (Fund for Housing Revitalization)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'habitation et de rénovation (fonds destiné à la revitalisation des logements)

(Mr. Lamoureux)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Ms. ALLAN –

 $(No.\ 2)$ – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS -

(No. 3) – The Healthy Child Manitoba Act/Loi sur la stratégie « Enfants en santé Manitoba » (Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. SELINGER -

(No. 4) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act (Prepaid Purchase Cards)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur (cartes prépayées)

Hon. Mr. SELINGER -

(No. 5) – The Personal Investigations Amendment Act (Identity Protection)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les enquêtes relatives aux particuliers (protection de l'identité)

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU -

(No. 7) – The Real Property Amendment Act (Wind Turbines)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les biens réels (éoliennes)

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK –

(No. 39) – The Court of Queen's Bench Small Claims Practices Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le recouvrement des petites créances à la Cour du Banc de la Reine

Hon. Ms. OSWALD -

(No. 40) – The Medical Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi médicale

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR MONDAY NEXT:

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH –

(No. 9) – The Grandparent Access and Other Amendments Act (Child and Family Services Act Amended)/Loi sur le droit de visite des grands-parents et apportant d'autres modifications (modification de la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille)

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THURSDAY NEXT:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Mr. REIMER – Seven Years, Seven Scandals

1. WHEREAS this Provincial Government can be characterized as a government plagued by scandal and a failure throughout its seven years in office; and

WHEREAS Manitobans deserve better than a government that has presided over no less than seven scandals in seven years; and

WHEREAS under the not so watchful eye of this Provincial Government a northern health authority spent more than \$330,000 on unapproved expenses like trips and tobacco; and

WHEREAS this Provincial Government imposed a floodway expansion deal designed to line the pockets of the Premier's union boss friends at a cost of \$60 million to taxpayers; and

WHEREAS this Provincial Government did not notice when a school division carried an illegal land development scheme that cost taxpayers \$2 million; and

WHEREAS this Provincial Government was slow to react when a provincially contracted support agency was revealed to be paying taxpayer sponsored perks to executives to the tune of \$1.5 million; and

WHEREAS this Provincial government led by the Premier has refused to call a public inquiry into the Crocus Fund collapse which saw 34,000 investors lose \$60 million; and

WHEREAS this Provincial Government infamously promised to "end hallway medicine and fix health care in six months with \$15 million" and has not only failed to keep its promise but has scandalously mislead Manitobans about how the number of patients in hospital hallways is calculated; and

WHEREAS this Provincial government stood by and did nothing to protect the CEO of the Worker's Compensation Board when the individual was fired three days after reporting financial irregularities; and

WHEREAS Manitobans deserve a government that will stand up for its employees and all Manitobans; and

WHEREAS Manitobans deserve a government that will be accountable for all of its and for how it spends taxpayer dollars.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to take steps to ensure effective Whistleblower legislation is passed to protect civil servants to who report wrongdoings; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to take steps to explain to all Manitobans why more than \$120 million was lost, misspent or used when it could have been directed to improving infrastructure, education or health care services in Manitoba.