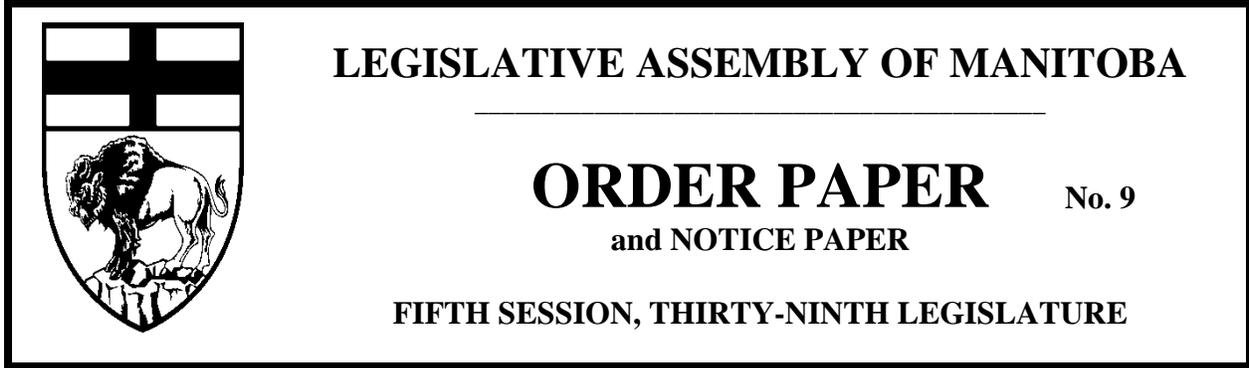


Friday, November 26, 2010



PRAYER

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

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Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX –

(No. 5) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Historic Property Designations)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (désignations de biens historiques)

Hon. Ms. HOWARD –

(No. 6) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail

Hon. Ms. HOWARD –

(No. 10) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Citizenship Ceremonies)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congés relatifs aux cérémonies de citoyenneté)

Mrs. MITCHELSON –

(No. 200) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille

PETITIONS

Mr. BOROTSIK
Mrs. DRIEDGER
Mrs. MITCHELSON
Mrs. ROWAT
Mr. BRIESE
Mr. GOERTZEN
Mr. PEDERSEN
Mrs. TAILLIEU
Mr. FAURSCHOU

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ADJOURNED DEBATE (Seventh Day of 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 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) 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.

(Hon. Mr. RONDEAU – 30 mins.)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. SWAN –

(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)

Hon. Mr. SWAN –

(No. 3) – The Victims’ Bill of Rights Amendment Act (Denying Compensation to Offenders and Other Amendments)/Loi modifiant la Déclaration des droits des victimes (refus de versement d’indemnités aux auteurs d’infractions et autres modifications)
(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Ms. HOWARD –

(No. 4) – The Retail Businesses Holiday Closing Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les jours fériés dans le commerce de détail

Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE –

(No. 7) – The Polar Bear Protection Amendment Act (International Polar Bear Conservation Centre)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des ours polaires (Centre international de conservation des ours polaires)
(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. SWAN –

(No. 8) – The Legal Aid Manitoba Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d’aide juridique du Manitoba

Hon. Mr. SWAN –

(No. 9) – The Summary Convictions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les poursuites sommaires
(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR MONDAY:

Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX –

(No. 11) – The Planning Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THURSDAY:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Multiple Sclerosis and Chronic Cerebro-Spinal Venous Insufficiency

2. WHEREAS an estimated 3,000 Manitobans suffer from Multiple Sclerosis (MS), with the result that Manitoba has one of the highest rates of MS in the world; and

WHEREAS in 2009 Dr. Paolo Zamboni of Italy published a research study linking a blocked vein condition called Chronic Cerebro-Spinal Venous Insufficiency (CCSVI) to MS; and

WHEREAS preliminary studies indicate that many MS symptoms can be relieved with angioplasty, a common procedure that has come to be known as the “liberation procedure”; and

WHEREAS many Manitobans who have travelled to other countries to undergo the “liberation procedure” have reported success, which gives MS patients great hope; and

WHEREAS the recent, tragic death of an MS patient who travelled abroad for this procedure underscores the need for research and clinical trials to test this procedure for safety and effectiveness; and

WHEREAS the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has set aside funding for an observational study of MS patients who have undergone the “liberation procedure”; and

WHEREAS the Government of Saskatchewan has invested five million dollars for clinical trials of the “liberation procedure” and has begun the process of developing a clinical trial in the province of Saskatchewan; and

WHEREAS the Government of Saskatchewan has invited other provinces to join with them in developing a clinical trial, and the Government of Manitoba has, to date, refused; and

WHEREAS the Minister of Health has announced her intention to wait for a pan-Canadian clinical trial rather than forge ahead with research here in the province of Manitoba, despite the fact that many Manitobans would be willing to participate in a clinical trial; and

WHEREAS given the prevalence of Multiple Sclerosis in this province, Manitoba should be a leader in researching CCSVI and the liberation procedure, but instead is lagging behind other provinces.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to consider making Manitoba a leader in CCSVI research and to move forward with clinical trials as soon as possible.
