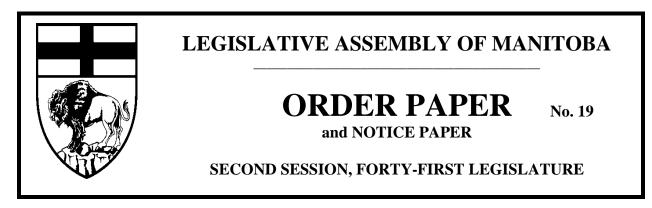
Thursday, March 2, 2017



PRAYER

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

Hon. Mr. GERRARD-

(No. 200) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne

Mrs. GUILLEMARD -

(No. 201) – The Service and Therapy Animal Day Act/Loi sur la Journée des animaux d'assistance et de zoothérapie

Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 207) - The Public Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé publique

Mr. KINEW-

(No. 208) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Continuity of Learning)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (continuité de l'apprentissage)

Ms. KLASSEN-

(No. 209) – The Mental Health Amendment and Personal Health Information Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé mentale et la Loi sur les renseignements médicaux personnels

Ms. FONTAINE -

(No. 210) - The Children's Advocate Act/Loi sur le protecteur des enfants

RESOLUTION:

Mr. LINDSEY – Port of Churchill

1. WHEREAS the Port of Churchill for 85 years has served prairie grain producers and northern Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Port of Churchill is Canada's only arctic deep sea port, and the town's largest employer, providing work for roughly 10 percent of the population; and

WHEREAS the port and rail line are vital to ensure the long term operation and viability of the community of Churchill as well as northern communities along the Hudson Bay Rail Line, and is an important strategic asset for Canada; and

WHEREAS the Port of Churchill and rail line was bought by the American company Omnitrax when it was privatized in 1997; and

WHEREAS in 2012, the Federal Government led by then Prime Minister Harper dismantled the Canadian Wheat Board, cutting off critical grain supply to the port; and

WHEREAS the owners of the port, Omnitrax, have unilaterally, without notice, shut down the grain handling facility, laid off over a hundred workers and cut back rail freight service putting the future of the port and communities along the rail line in jeopardy; and

WHEREAS service to the various communities, including First Nations communities, along the Bay Line has been cut in half, reducing shipments of essential items like fresh food which has significantly decreased their accessibility and increased their costs as a result; and

WHEREAS all the communities along the Bay Line from OCN to Churchill and the Arctic Circle have formed a coalition called the Northern Delegation dedicated to save the Port of Churchill and Hudson Bay Rail Line; and

WHEREAS at its 2016 annual convention, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities passed an emergency resolution calling upon the Provincial and Federal Governments to work together with the Northern Delegation and the current owner OmniTRAX to ensure that the port reopens in time for the grain shipping season, in summer 2017.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to take action to make revitalizing the Port of Churchill and Hudson Bay Rail Line the number one priority of the its Northern Economic Development Strategy Task Force and to set up meetings with the Federal Government, the current owner of both the Port of Churchill and Hudson Bay Rail Line, the Town of Churchill and First Nations communities to ensure an orderly ownership transfer at the earliest opportunity.

SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Mr. FIELDING -

(No. 9) – The Advocate for Children and Youth Act/Loi sur le protecteur des enfants et des jeunes

Hon. Mr. WISHART-

(No. 10) – The Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

(No. 202) - The Insurance Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les assurances

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

(No. 203) – The Electoral Divisions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les circonscriptions électorales

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

(No. 204) – The Statutory Holidays Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les jours fériés (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

(No. 205) - The Brookside Cemetery Recognition Act/Loi sur la désignation du cimetière Brookside

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

(No. 206) – The Legal Profession Amendment Act (Queen's Counsel Appointments)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la profession d'avocat (nomination de conseillers de la Reine)

Mr. HELWER-

(No. 211) – The Settlement of International Investment Disputes Act/Loi sur le règlement des différends internationaux relatifs aux investissements

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

(No. 212) - The Conflict of Interest Act/Loi sur les conflits d'intérêts

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

(No. 213) – The Gift of Life Act (Human Tissue Gift Act Amended)/Loi sur le don de la vie (modification de la Loi sur les dons de tissus humains)

Mr. ISLEIFSON –

(No. 214) – The Missing Persons Amendment Act (Silver Alert)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les personnes disparues (alerte silver)

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FRIESEN -

(No. 3) – The Pooled Registered Pension Plans (Manitoba) Act/Loi du Manitoba sur les régimes de pension agréés collectifs

(Question Period – 3 mins.)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. CULLEN -

(No. 7) – The New West Partnership Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la mise en œuvre de l'Accord commercial du nouveau partenariat de l'Ouest (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

(Mr. SWAN -9 mins.)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN -

(No. 2) – The Securities Amendment Act (Reciprocal Enforcement)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les valeurs mobilières (exécution réciproque)

(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON -

(No. 4) - The Provincial Court Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale

Hon. Ms. CLARKE -

(No. 5) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment, Planning Amendment and Real Property Amendment Act (Conforming to Construction Standards Through Agreements)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg, la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire et la Loi sur les biens réels (ententes de conformité en matière de normes de construction)

Hon. Mr. PEDERSEN -

(No. 6) – The Manitoba East Side Road Authority Repeal Act/Loi abrogeant la Loi sur la Commission manitobaine d'aménagement de la route située du côté est

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTION:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MICKLEFIELD -

THAT notwithstanding any Rule or Practice of this House, Bill (No. 213) – The Civil Service Amendment Act (Employment Preference for Reservists with Active Service)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la fonction publique (embauche préférentielle des réservistes ayant été en activité de service) be reinstated during the 2nd Session of the 41st Legislature at the stage it was at when the 1st Session of the 41st Legislature was prorogued.

(Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) - unlimited)

GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION:

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN - Long Term, Sustainable and Flexible Healthcare Funding

WHEREAS health care is the single largest budget item for provinces and territories, each of whom is responsible for the delivery of quality health services for Canadians; and

WHEREAS provinces pay more than 75 per cent of health care costs and the Federal Government continues to reduce growth in health care funding; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government's unilateral approach and refusal to engage in a discussion around the importance of a long term and sustainable partnership on health care funding should be of concern to every Manitoban; and

WHEREAS Manitoba is facing a challenging fiscal situation and the Federal Government's decision to reduce health care funding by more than \$1 billion over the next 10 years is going to put additional strain on the ability to provide services to Manitobans; and

WHEREAS federal funding is essential in order to address the increasing costs associated with the health care needs of the province's growing and aging population.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to reiterate the position of other governments representing 90 percent of Canada's population, that is, before any further discussion takes place on a renewed Health Accord, the First Ministers request a meeting with the Prime Minister regarding the need for long term, sustainable and flexible funding for the healthcare system and that if this is not accomplished, any proposed reduction in healthcare funding be delayed until 2018/19.

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR MONDAY:

Hon. Mr. FIELDING -

(No. 11) – The Community Child Care Standards Amendment Act (Staff Qualifications and Training)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la garde d'enfants (compétences et formation du personnel)

Hon. Mr. WISHART -

(No. 12) – The Teachers' Pensions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la pension de retraite des enseignants

Mr. CURRY –

(No. 215) – The Civil Service Amendment Act (Employment Preference for Reservists with Active Service)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la fonction publique (embauche préférentielle des réservistes ayant été en activité de service)