Monday, November 6, 2017



PRAYER

SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Mrs. COX-

(No. 41) – The Government Notices Modernization Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la modernisation de la publication des avis du gouvernement (modification de diverses lois)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER -

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

Mr. Swan-

(No. 229) – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Conflict of Interest Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les conflits d'intérêts au sein de l'Assemblée législative et du Conseil exécutif

Mr. SWAN-

(No. 230) – The Executive Government Organization Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'organisation du gouvernement

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(16 hrs. 56 mins.) (Chamber – Infrastructure) (Room 255 – Sport, Culture and Heritage) (Room 254 – Families)

REPORT STAGE AMENDMENTS:

Hon. Mr. WHARTON -

(No. 30) – The Local Vehicles for Hire Act/Loi sur la gestion locale des véhicules avec chauffeur – **Designated Bill**

[Amendment (3) – Mr. MALOWAY]

CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES –

(No. 23) – The Fisheries Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la pêche – **Designated Bill** (amended – Committee)

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN -

(No. 24) – The Red Tape Reduction and Government Efficiency Act, 2017/Loi de 2017 sur la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'efficacité du gouvernement – **Designated Bill**

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON -

(No. 27) – The Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale – **Designated Bill** (amended – Committee)

Hon. Mr. WISHART-

(No. 31) – The Advanced Education Administration Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'administration de l'enseignement postsecondaire – **Designated Bill**

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FRIESEN -

(No. 36) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2017/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2017 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité (Mr. MALOWAY – 4 mins.)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. PEDERSEN -

(No. 39) – The Canadian Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Labour Mobility Act and Regulated Health Professions Act Amended)/Loi sur la mise en œuvre de l'accord de libre-échange canadien (modification de la Loi sur la mobilité de la main-d'œuvre et de la Loi sur les professions de la santé réglementées)

(Mr. LINDSEY – 28 mins.)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. EICHLER -

(No. 35) –The Agricultural Producers' Organization Funding Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement d'organismes de producteurs agricoles

Hon. Mrs. COX-

(No. 37) – The Concussion in Youth Sport Act/Loi sur les commotions cérébrales chez les jeunes athlètes

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON -

(No. 40) - The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTION:

On the Proposed Motion of 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)

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION:

On the Proposed Motion of 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.

(Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – 17 mins)

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE NEXT THURSDAY OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS:

DEBATE ON RESOLUTION:

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – Provincial Government's Plan to Shutter Three Winnipeg Emergency Rooms will Undermine Patient Care and Hurt Families and Seniors

11. WHEREAS the Provincial Government has announced the closures of three emergency rooms (ER) in Winnipeg at Concordia Hospital, Seven Oaks Hospital and Victoria Hospital, as well as an urgent care centre at Misericordia Health Centre; and

WHEREAS this announcement means the Provincial Government has broken its promise to Manitobans to protect the front-line services families and seniors count on; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government failed to make any new investments in the remaining emergency rooms, personal care homes or homecare and these closures will force more patients into fewer hospitals and place additional burdens on doctors and nurses; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government failed to provide any details to Manitobans about the ER closures, including savings incurred, capital costs or how many front-line jobs will be cut, despite knowing much of this information since announcing the initiative; and

WHEREAS these ER cuts come on the heels of other closures and cancelled plans across Winnipeg, including a QuickCare Clinic, CancerCare Manitoba, ACCESS Centres, personal care homes, a new facility for Pan Am Clinic and the Concordia Wellness Centre; and

WHEREAS the ER closures have left families and seniors in many parts of Winnipeg without any point of contact with front-line emergency healthcare services and will result in them having to travel twenty minutes or more to access emergency healthcare; and

WHEREAS these cuts will place a heavy burden on the many seniors who visit the emergency rooms frequently, especially for those who are unable to drive or are low-income; and

WHEREAS Winnipeg has one of the fastest growing population rates in Canada and the Provincial Government's plan fails to meet the demands of growing populations, especially seniors, across north and south Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government failed to consult with families and seniors in northeast Winnipeg before closing their emergency rooms or to consult with health officials and healthcare workers at Concordia to discuss how the ER closure would impact patient care in advance of the announcement. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba acknowledge that the Provincial Government's plan to cut three emergency rooms and an urgent care centre in Winnipeg will undermine the healthcare system and increase demand in existing hospitals without additional investments.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING:

The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Monday, November 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to consider a Bill referred.