Monday, March 6, 2023



PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 11) – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2023/Loi de 2023 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services

Hon. Mr. NESBITT -

(No. 13) - The Wildlife Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune

Hon. Mr. CULLEN -

(No. 14) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2023/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2023 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 15) – The Court of King's Bench Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour du Banc du Roi

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 16) – The Domestic Violence and Stalking Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la violence familiale et le harcèlement criminel

Hon. Ms. GORDON -

(No. 17) – The Regulated Health Professions Amendment Act (2)/Loi nº 2 modifiant la Loi sur les professions de la santé réglementées

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 18) – The Legislative Security Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité de la Cité législative

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 19) - The Provincial Offences Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les infractions provinciales

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 20) – The Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les conflits d'intérêts des députés et des ministres

Hon. Mr. PIWNIUK -

(No. 21) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code de la route

Hon. Mr. PIWNIUK -

(No. 22) – The Emergency Measures Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les mesures d'urgence

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES -

(No. 23) – The Vulnerable Persons Living with a Mental Disability Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les personnes vulnérables ayant une déficience mentale

Hon. Mr. NESBITT -

(No. 24) - The Wildfires Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les incendies échappés

Hon. Mr. REYES -

(No. 25) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act (Wildfire Firefighters)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail (pompiers affectés aux incendies échappés)

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 26) – The Limitations Amendment and Public Officers Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les délais de prescription et la Loi sur les officiers publics

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 27) – The Intimate Image Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des images intimes

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 28) – The Local Government Statutes Amendment Act/Loi modifiant certaines lois concernant les administrations locales

Hon. Mr. GERRARD -

(No. 214) – The Ecological Reserves Amendment Act (Ecological Corridors)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les réserves écologiques (corridors écologiques)

Mr. MALOWAY -

(No. 219) – The Consumer Protection Amendment and Farm Machinery and Equipment Amendment Act (Right to Repair — Vehicles and Other Equipment)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur et la Loi sur les machines et le matériel agricoles (droit de réparer les véhicules et le matériel)

Mr. MALOWAY -

(No. 220) – The New Motor Vehicle Buyers' Rights Act/Loi sur la protection des droits des acheteurs de véhicules automobiles neufs

MLA MARCELINO -

(No. 223) – The Manitoba Assistance Amendment Act (Adult Education)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les allocations d'aide du Manitoba (éducation des adultes)

MLA LINDSEY -

(No. 224) – The Transportation Infrastructure Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les infrastructures de transport

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ORAL QUESTIONS

PETITIONS

Mr. ALTOMARE Ms. LATHLIN Mr. MALOWAY MLA MARCELINO Mr. MOSES Mr. REDHEAD Mr. SALA Mr. SANDHU Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas)

GRIEVANCES

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

WRITTEN QUESTIONS:

Mr. LAMONT -

- 1. Media reported that a Freedom of Information request showed that during the "Convoy Occupation" of the Manitoba Legislature and the blockade at the Emerson border, there were no written records or notes of discussions between the Ministry of Justice, Police services, and the convoy. Why were none of the discussions recorded and who was responsible for making that decision?
- 2. How did the Provincial Government make decisions, give advice, track and plan operations without recording discussions surrounding the "Convoy Occupation" at the Manitoba Legislature that lasted many days, and also caused slowdowns on highways and blockades at the U.S. border involving multiple police and security forces such as the Winnipeg Police Service, RCMP, and legislative security?
- 3. It is a matter of public record that the "Convoy Occupation" included threats, intimidation, occupations and blockades, and its organizers like Pat King had made repeated threats of implied violence on social media for months, stating that politicians and others would be targeted with live ammunition. Will the Premier share the RCMP's full assessment report with Manitobans considering that she wrote to the Prime Minister that based on the advice of the RCMP the Provincial Government was "unaware of any activity involving espionage or sabotage, clandestine foreign-influenced activities or any serious threats of violence directed toward the violent destruction or overthrow of the Canadian government."?
- 4. Since assuming leadership, has the current CEO of Manitoba Hydro consulted with First Nations governance on Manitoba Hydro projects, including, but not limited to, Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak in northern Manitoba, and if so how many consultations been conducted?

Ms. LAMOUREUX -

5. In December 2022, whistleblowers at "The Link", formerly MacDonald Youth Services, alleged that the organization is in difficulties, with 50% staff turnover, allegations of mistreatment of staff and clients, including Indigenous youth, and questionable financial decisions made by the CEO and Board, with allegations dating back to at least 2019. Is the Minister of Families aware of any complaints or letters of concern to her department about The Link prior to the letters from whistleblowers in December 2022 and January 2023 and further, can the Minister of Families advise who is performing the third party investigation into The Link and what is their mandate?

6. Can the Minister of Families advise why the CEO and Board of "The Link" were not relieved of their duties after it was decided that serious allegations that included suggestions of preferential hiring of friends and family into management and spending on extensive renovations and furnishing in its brand new building warranted an investigation?

Hon. Mr. GERRARD -

- 7. Can the Minister of Health explain the Provincial Government's current policy regarding critical incident reporting, and how the policy supports health care workers who have been involved in a critical incident?
- 8. Lions' Place was originally built to provide affordable housing for seniors and the Provincial Government has agreed to cover the cost of the rent after Lions management requested a 10% rental increase as of April, 2022. Why is the province willing to provide a direct subsidy to a private corporate landlord from Alberta, when it would cost less in the long term to directly support the Lions Foundation?
- 9. What is the Minister of Health doing to work with the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Manitoba and the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences and Max Rady College of Medicine at the University of Manitoba to enable more international medical graduates to qualify to practice in Manitoba to address the critical shortage of family physicians and physicians in various specialties?

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 6) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba

(Question Period – 15 minutes)

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 7) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis

(Mr. WIEBE – 28 minutes)

Hon. Mr. SMITH (Lagimodière) -

(No. 9) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment and Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis et la Loi sur la Société manitobaine des alcools et des loteries

(Mr. SANDHU - 26 minutes)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. SMITH (Lagimodière) -

(No. 2) - The Official Time Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le temps réglementaire

Hon. Mr. NESBITT -

(No. 8) – The Off-Road Trails Safety and Maintenance Act/Loi sur la sécurité et l'entretien des sentiers pour véhicules à caractère non routier

(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. CULLEN -

(No. 10) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act (Social Responsibility Fee Repealed)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis (abrogation de la taxe de responsabilité sociale)

(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 12) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2023/Loi corrective de 2023

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR TUESDAY:

MLA ASAGWARA -

(No. 225) – The Health Services Insurance Amendment Act (Personal Care Home Staffing Guidelines)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assurance-maladie (lignes directrices en matière de dotation applicables aux foyers de soins personnels)