

Thursday, April 17, 2025



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

ORDER PAPER

No. 44

and NOTICE PAPER

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

SECOND READINGS – PRIVATE BILLS:

MLA LOISELLE –

(No. 300) – The Winnipeg Foundation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Fondation dénommée « The Winnipeg Foundation »

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Mr. JOHNSON –

(No. 202) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act (Net-Metering Agreements)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba (ententes de facturation nette)
(MLA PANKRATZ – 7 minutes)

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 203) – The Earlier Screening for Breast Cancer Act/Loi sur l'abaissement du seuil d'admissibilité au dépistage systématique du cancer du sein
(Hon. Min. NAYLOR – 2 minutes)

MLA CROSS –

(No. 208) – The Manitoba Small Business Month Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur le Mois de la petite entreprise au Manitoba (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)
(Mr. WOWCHUK – 9 minutes)

MLA PANKRATZ –

(No. 210) – The Indigenous Veterans Day Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Journée des anciens combattants autochtones (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

(Mr. JACKSON – 7 minutes)

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 215) – The Specialist Wait Time Reporting Act/Loi sur la présentation de rapports concernant les temps d’attente pour la consultation de spécialistes

(Hon. Min. MOROZ – 2 minutes)

Mr. WOWCHUK –

(No. 221) – The Wildlife Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune

(Hon. Mr. BUSHIE – 6 minutes)

Mr. JOHNSON –

(No. 222) – The Criminal Trespassers Act and Amendments to The Occupiers’ Liability Act/Loi sur les intrus criminels et modification de la Loi sur la responsabilité des occupants

(MLA DEVGAN – 10 minutes)

Mrs. STONE –

(No. 224) – The Budget Bill Public Accountability Act/Loi sur la participation du public quant à la loi budgétaire

(Hon. Mr. SIMARD – 8 minutes)

SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

Mr. WHARTON –

(No. 201) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment and Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Corporation Amendment Act (Expanding Liquor Retail)/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 (vente au détail d’une gamme élargie de boissons alcoolisées)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 205) – The Budget Impact Reporting Act/Loi sur la publication de rapports concernant les répercussions des mesures budgétaires

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 206) – The Homeowner Protection from Unsolicited Purchase Offers Act/Loi sur la protection des propriétaires contre les offres d’achat non sollicitées

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 207) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Teaching Experience of Principals)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (expérience des directeurs en enseignement)

MLA DELA CRUZ –

(No. 209) – The Celebration of Philippine Independence Day Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Journée de la célébration de l'indépendance des Philippines (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 212) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 213) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Non-Compete Agreements)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (accords de non-concurrence)

MLA LOISELLE –

(No. 218) – The Climate Action Month Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur le Mois de lutte contre les changements climatiques (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 219) – The Police Services Amendment Act (Obligation to Respond to Police Wrongdoings)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services de police (intervention et signalement obligatoires en cas d'acte répréhensible commis par un autre agent de police)

Mr. SCHULER –

(No. 223) – The Official Time Amendment Act, 2025/Loi de 2025 modifiant la Loi sur le temps réglementaire

Mrs. STONE –

(No. 227) – The Free Trade and Mobility Within Canada Act/Loi sur le libre-échange et la mobilité au Canada

Mrs. HIEBERT –

(No. 228) – The Retail Sales Tax Amendment Act (Farmer's Identification Number)/Loi modifiant la Loi de la taxe sur les ventes au détail (numéro d'identification d'agriculteur)

RESOLUTION:

Mr. NARTH – Recognizing Providence University College and Theological Seminary’s 100th (Centennial) Anniversary

9. WHEREAS the year 2025 marks the 100th anniversary of Providence University College and Theological Seminary (Providence), an institution that has provided high quality, faith-centered post-secondary education in Manitoba since its founding in 1925 as the Winnipeg Bible Training School; and

WHEREAS Providence has grown from its humble beginnings in a house on Spence Street in Winnipeg, to a 100-acre campus in Otterburne and a new downtown campus in Winnipeg, enabling it to serve students from across Manitoba, Canada, and beyond; and

WHEREAS Providence was the first Bible school in Canada to grant bachelor’s degrees in 1948, and has played a significant role in Manitoba’s educational landscape by expanding program offerings, including aviation, business, science, and theological studies; and

WHEREAS Providence has served over 12,000 students over the past century, many of whom have gone on to contribute significantly to their communities, churches, and professions in Manitoba and across the world; and

WHEREAS Providence will host a centennial celebration weekend in commemoration of this historic milestone from September 5 to 7, 2025, featuring a gala, festival, and worship events to honour its rich historical legacy and ongoing mission of equipping students for leadership and service and helping them to understand their calling in a changing world.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba recognize and congratulate Providence University College and Theological Seminary on its 100th anniversary and commend its enduring contributions to higher education, leadership, and faith-based learning in the province.

DEBATE ON RESOLUTIONS:

2. MLA COMPTON – Supporting the Provincial Government on 800 New Hip and Knee Surgeries
(Mr. WHARTON – 4 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
1. Mr. EWASKO – Calling on the Provincial Government to Reverse Recent Amendments to the Teaching Certificates and Qualifications Regulation
(Hon. Min. CABLE – 1 minute/131 minutes remaining)
3. Mr. PERCHOTTE – Calling on the Provincial Government to Implement a Volunteer Tax Credit
(Open – 125 minutes remaining)

4. Mrs. STONE – Provincial Government Job-Destroying Payroll Taxes
(Hon. Min. NAYLOR – 7 minutes/128 minutes remaining)
 5. MLA CROSS – Encouraging Manitobans to Support Local
(Mrs. STONE – 1 minute/124 minutes remaining)
 6. MLA DELA CRUZ – Homelessness
(Mrs. STONE – 6 minutes/123 minutes remaining)
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SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 200) – The Occupiers’ Liability Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la responsabilité des occupants

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 204) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Reason for Traffic Stop)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (obligation de motiver tout ordre d’arrêt)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 211) – The Local Elections Voter Eligibility Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur l’admissibilité des électeurs aux élections locales (modification de diverses lois)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 214) – The Board Parity and Diversity Act/Loi sur la parité et la diversité au sein des conseils d’administration

MLA DELA CRUZ –

(No. 216) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Plebiscite Before Permanent Emergency Room Closure)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l’obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé (plébiscites sur la fermeture permanente de salles d’urgence)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 217) – The Energy Efficiency Disclosure Act/Loi sur la présentation de rapports sur l’efficacité énergétique

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 220) – The Criminal Property Forfeiture Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la confiscation de biens obtenus ou utilisés criminellement

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 226) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Reporting When Timely Care Not Available)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l'obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé (communication de renseignements en cas d'impossibilité de fournir des soins en temps opportun)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 229) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act (Non-Disclosure Agreements)/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne (accords de confidentialité)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 230) – The Grocery Store Food Waste Prevention Act/Loi sur la prévention du gaspillage alimentaire dans les épiceries

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 231) – The Elections Amendment Act (Election Day on Saturday)/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale (jour du scrutin fixé à un samedi)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TABLING OF REPORTS

MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS

MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

ORAL QUESTIONS

PETITIONS

Mr. BALCAEN
MLA BEREZA
Ms. BYRAM
Mrs. COOK
Mr. EWASKO
Mr. GUENTER
Mrs. HIEBERT
Mr. JOHNSON
Mr. KHAN
Mr. KING
MLA LAMOUREUX
Mr. NARTH

Mr. NESBITT
Mr. PERCHOTTE
Mr. PIWNIUK
Mr. SCHULER
Mrs. STONE
Mr. WHARTON
Mr. WOWCHUK

GRIEVANCES

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(99 hours 51 minutes)

REPORT STAGE AMENDMENTS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 5) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impaired Driving Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas d’infractions de conduite avec facultés affaiblies)
(amended – Committee)
[Amendment (2) – Mr. BALCAEN]

CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 2) – The Provincial Court Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale
Specified Bill

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 31) – The Property Controls for Grocery Stores and Supermarkets Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les instruments de contrôle de biens-fonds visant des épiceries et des supermarchés (modification de diverses lois)

Specified Bill

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 42) – The Buy Canadian Act (Government Purchases Act Amended)/Loi sur l’achat au Canada (modification de la Loi sur les achats du gouvernement)
Specified Bill

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 40) – An Act respecting “O Canada” and Other Observances and Land and Treaty Acknowledgements in Schools (Education Administration Act and Public Schools Act Amended)/Loi sur les activités scolaires soulignant notamment l’« Ô Canada » et la reconnaissance des territoires et des traités (modification de la Loi sur l’administration scolaire et de la Loi sur les écoles publiques)

(Mr. EWASKO – unlimited)

Designated Bill

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 8) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis

Designated Bill

Hon. Ms. SMITH –

(No. 12) – The Housing and Renewal Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d’habitation et de rénovation

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 23) – The Public Interest Expression Defence Act/Loi visant à défendre l’expression sur des questions d’intérêt public

Designated Bill

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 24) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail

Specified Bill

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 29) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité et l’hygiène du travail

Specified Bill

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 30) – The Election Financing Amendment and Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement des élections et la Loi électorale

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Designated Bill

Hon. Min. NAYLOR –

(No. 34) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Motor Carrier Enforcement)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (réglementation des transporteurs routiers)

Specified Bill

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 36) – The Drivers and Vehicles Amendment and Highway Traffic Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les conducteurs et les véhicules et le Code de la route

Specified Bill

Hon. Min. NAYLOR –

(No. 38) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Traffic Safety Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures de sécurité routière)

Specified Bill

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 43) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne

Specified Bill

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTION:

Hon. Min. FONTAINE – Special Committee on Local Journalism

THAT a Special Committee on Local Journalism be created to make recommendations on exploring the future of local journalism, including rural and cultural media such as French, Filipino, Punjabi and Chinese language publications, with the mandate to consider matters of public support for journalism, and report its conclusion to the Assembly within 30 days of the start of Fall Sitting 2025; and

THAT the composition of the Special Committee be:

- (a) four members designated by the NDP caucus, and
- (b) two members designated by the PC caucus; and

THAT the Special Committee be authorized to decide how it will conduct its business, including deciding to hold meetings at times and places it considers advisable to receive briefs and hear presentations; and

THAT, except as otherwise provided in this motion, the Special Committee shall have the same status and powers and follow the same rules and procedures as a Standing Committee of the House, including the power to establish a sub-committee for the purposes of carrying out any part of the Special Committee's work; and

THAT after adoption by the House, this motion may be amended only by:

- (a) unanimous consent of the House;
- (b) passage of a subsequent motion by the House; or
- (c) written agreement of all House Leaders if the House is not sitting.

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

THAT the first clause of the Motion be deleted and the following substituted as the new first clause:

THAT a Special Committee on Local Journalism be created to make recommendations on exploring the future of local journalism, including rural and cultural media representing all ethnicities and non-official languages, so long as they do not promote hate speech or undermine the Manitoba values of inclusivity and respect for all races, religions, and backgrounds, with the mandate to consider matters of public support for journalism, and report its conclusion to the Assembly within 30 days of the start of Fall Sitting 2025; and
(Mr. GOERTZEN – 27 minutes)

NOTICE PAPER

WRITTEN QUESTIONS:

Mr. NESBITT –

12. As the Manitoba Legislative Building, also known as Manitoba Provincial Heritage Site No. 40, is a historical building in which alterations must be approved, could the Premier table a copy of any analysis and approval completed prior to the permanent alterations that occurred in March 2025 above the north side entrance?

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING:

The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in the Chamber, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following reports referred:

- Auditor General's Report – Oversight of Post-Secondary Institutions dated October 2020
 - Auditor General's Report – Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated March 2023
 - *Oversight of Post-Secondary Institutions*
 - Auditor General's Report – Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated February 2025
 - *Oversight of Post-Secondary Institutions*
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