



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

ORDER PAPER

No. 45

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)

Mrs. STONE –

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

(Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN – 3 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. 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:

MLA CORBETT – New Schools

10. WHEREAS Manitobans want the Provincial Government to be a partner in their kids' education; and

WHEREAS the previous, failed Provincial Government made a mess of education system for seven and a half years by slashing funding for schools; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government wants to build up the education system so that kids have the best learning environment possible; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government recently announced the construction of 11 new schools in Winnipeg, Brandon, Neepawa and Ste. Anne to help keep class sizes small; and

WHEREAS each new school will also include child-care spaces; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government is investing \$67 million more in schools in 2025/26; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has added over 630 new educators to the system; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government banned cellphones in class so kids can focus on learning in all areas, including the new, mandatory sexual abuse prevention training requirements; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government is feeding hungry kids in schools with a universal school food program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to support the Provincial Government's efforts with the construction of 11 new schools across 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

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?
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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. 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

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:

- four members designated by the NDP caucus, and
- 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:

- unanimous consent of the House;
- passage of a subsequent motion by the House; or
- 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

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR WEDNESDAY:

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 46) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2025/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2025 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité

WRITTEN QUESTIONS:

Mr. BALCAEN –

13. What was the total funding provided to the Winnipeg Police Service for the retail crime project in 2023/2024 and what were the statistical results of the project?
 14. What was the total funding provided to the Department of Justice on retail crime projects outside of the Winnipeg Police Service and what were the statistical results of the projects?
 15. Between budgets 2023/24 and 2024/25, outside of municipal police grant funding, how much funding was provided and/or promised to the Winnipeg Police Service and R.C.M.P.?
 16. Aside from the funds provided to the Winnipeg Police Service and the R.C.M.P., how much funding was provided and/or promised to the other municipal law enforcement agencies for staffing?
 17. On March 17th, 2025, Melissa Whitfield wrote to the Minister of Justice as well as the Premier on behalf of Joyce Barwick and Darrell Kempthorne. The letter contained specific questions that they had in relation to the death of their son Collin James Kempthorne after an assault occurred in September while he was being held in the Brandon Correctional Centre. This same letter was tabled during question period on April 7, 2025. To date, the Minister of Justice has not answered the eight questions put to him in that letter. Could the Minister of Justice provide the answers to those questions as well as his rationale for refusing to communicate with the parents of Colin Kempthorne?
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NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE NEXT THURSDAY OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Mrs. HIEBERT – Addictions Recovery and Treatment

11. WHEREAS other Canadian jurisdictions are actively closing down injection sites for illegal and lethal drugs in favour of additional recovery-oriented programs, such as Alberta's establishment of the Canadian Centre of Recovery Excellence; and

WHEREAS Manitoba has an opportunity to invest in recovery-oriented programming and give Manitobans battling addictions the support they need to get their life back; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government Budget 2025-26 has failed to allocate needed resources for the expansion of life-saving recovery spaces, instead opting to fund failed consumption sites for illegal and lethal drugs; and

WHEREAS there is a demonstrated need to expand the successful and in-demand services of Rapid Access to Addictions Medicine (RAAM) clinics which provide not only treatment, but a pathway into access to additional services and programs, all in an environment under the supervision of medical professionals; and

WHEREAS the previous PC Provincial Government created seven RAAM Clinics, and since the current Minister of Housing, Addictions and Homelessness cut the ribbon on the seventh PC site, there has been no additional RAAM capacity added; and

WHEREAS the consumption model utilized by the Provincial Government is not supervised by trained and qualified medical staff but instead often relies upon a peer mentorship approach, despite the massive health concerns around addictions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to provide funding immediately for additional recovery-oriented treatment beds and associated medical treatment services as well as additional funding to ensure current RAAM Clinics are fully staffed with extended hours of operation, rather than funding consumption spaces for illegal and lethal drug injection.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 in Room 254 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 in Room 255 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on JUSTICE will meet on Thursday, April 24, 2025 in Room 254 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet on Thursday, April 24, 2025 in Room 255 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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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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The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in the Chamber, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following reports referred:

- Annual Report and Public Accounts of the Province of Manitoba for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023
 - Auditor General's Report – Public Accounts and Other Financial Statement Audits dated December 2023
 - Annual Report and Public Accounts of the Province of Manitoba for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024
 - Auditor General's Report – Public Accounts and Other Financial Statement Audits dated December 2024
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