



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

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**ORDER PAPER**

**No. 51**

**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**

**DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS – PRIVATE BILLS:**

MLA LOISELLE –

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

(MLA BEREZA – 6 minutes)

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**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)

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. NARTH – 6 minutes)

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. KING – 9 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)

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## **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)

Mr. WASYLIW –

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

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)

Mr. BALCAEN –

(No. 232) – The Victims of Impaired Drivers Commemoration Day Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Journée de commémoration des victimes de conducteurs aux facultés affaiblies (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

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## **RESOLUTION:**

### **Mrs. COOK – School Tax and Education Property Tax Increases**

**13.** WHEREAS the current Provincial Government has allowed out-of-control, double-digit school tax increases across Winnipeg and Manitoba, pushing property tax bills to unsustainable levels for homeowners, seniors, workers, and families; and

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has called the Provincial Government’s property tax grab “historic”, as residents across Winnipeg are opening property tax bills this week showing hundreds of dollars more coming out of their pockets; and

WHEREAS according to City of Winnipeg data, residents are facing school tax increases of 14% in Pembina Trails, 17% in Louis Riel, 14% in River East Transcona, and 15% in Winnipeg School Division; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government plans to collect \$182 million more in education property taxes in Budget 2025 through tax increases and the elimination of the 50% school tax rebate; and

WHEREAS this amount is on top of the \$150 million more collected from Manitobans through education property tax increases in Budget 2024; and

WHEREAS the previous, PC Provincial Government began eliminating education property taxes by introducing a 50% rebate for all homeowners, seniors, and farmers, and reduced education property taxes on businesses by 10%; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has failed to introduce a new education funding formula as promised and has instead increased education property taxes on homeowners, small businesses and cottage owners; and

WHEREAS this is a direct result of the Provincial Government eliminating the PCs' universal 50% school tax rebate and replacing it with a limited tax credit that applies only to primary residences—leaving cottagers, small businesses, and others having to pay more; and

WHEREAS Manitoba seniors on fixed incomes should not be taxed out of their homes due to reckless decisions made by the Finance Minister; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government must stop punishing working families with exorbitant school tax hikes, especially when Manitobans are already struggling with a cost-of-living crisis; and

WHEREAS families and businesses are facing double-digit education property tax increases across the province.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to stop these harmful tax hikes and eliminate school taxes from properties in Manitoba.

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#### **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)

10. MLA CORBETT – New Schools  
(Mr. SCHULER – 6 minutes/123 minutes remaining)
11. Mrs. HIEBERT – Addictions Recovery and Treatment  
(Mr. OXENHAM – 6 minutes/126 minutes remaining)
12. MLA PANKRATZ – 1,255 Net New Healthcare Workers  
(Ms. BYRAM – 4 minutes/124 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. 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

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)

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Mr. KHAN  
Mr. KING  
MLA LAGASSÉ  
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**

(88 hours 12 minutes)

(Chamber – Justice)

(Room 254 – Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care)

(Room 255 – Executive Council)

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#### **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]

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 39) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Campaign Financing for School Trustees)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (financement des campagnes électorales pour les élections scolaires)

[Amendment (3) – Mr. EWASKO]

**Specified Bill**

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#### **CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:**

Hon. Mr. SIMARD –

(No. 3) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg et la Loi sur l’aménagement du territoire

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Mr. SIMARD –

(No. 4) – The Planning Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’aménagement du territoire

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 6) – The Public Schools Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 7) – The Human Tissue Gift Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les dons de tissus humains

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 9) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act (2)/Loi n° 2 modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 13) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2025/Loi corrective de 2025

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 14) – The Insurance Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les assurances

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 15) – The Real Estate Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services immobiliers

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 16) – The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Amendment and Public Schools Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les élections municipales et scolaires et la Loi sur les écoles publiques

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 18) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Indigenous Languages of Instruction)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (enseignement en langue autochtone)

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 19) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Safe Schools)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (milieu scolaire sûr)

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 20) – The Community Child Care Standards Amendment and Education Administration Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la garde d'enfants et la Loi sur l'administration scolaire

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 27) – The Income Tax Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi de l'impôt sur le revenu  
**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 28) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba  
**Specified Bill**

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 32) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act (Measures to Address Unlawful Activities)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation (mesures concernant les activités illégales)  
**Specified Bill**

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 33) – The Public Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé publique  
**Specified 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. 35) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba  
**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. SALA –

(No. 37) – The Manitoba Financial Services Authority Act and Amendments to Various Other Acts/Loi sur l'Autorité des services financiers du Manitoba et modifiant diverses autres lois  
**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. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 41) – The Reporting of Supports for Child Survivors of Sexual Assault (Trained Health Professionals and Evidence Collection Kits) Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la présentation de rapports concernant les mesures de soutien destinées aux enfants survivants d'agression sexuelle (professionnels de la santé formés et trousse médicale)

**Specified Bill**

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

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

**Specified Bill**

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## **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)

(Open)

**Designated Bill**

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## **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**

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

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

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**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. SCHULER – 13 minutes)

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## NOTICE PAPER

### NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

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