

Wednesday, October 8, 2025



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

# ORDER PAPER

No. 71

and NOTICE PAPER

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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. 211) – The Local Elections Voter Eligibility Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur l'admissibilité des électeurs aux élections locales (modification de diverses lois)  
**Selected Bill**

Mr. WASYLIW –

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

**Selected Bill**

Mr. WASYLIW –

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

MLA LAGASSÉ –

(No. 235) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Railway Safety)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (sécurité ferroviaire)

Mr. EWASKO –

(No. 237) – The School Bus Seat Belt Safety Act/Loi sur les ceintures de sécurité dans les autobus scolaires

Mr. EWASKO –

(No. 238) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Increased Penalties for Passing School Buses)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (peines accrues en cas de dépassement d'autobus scolaire)

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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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## **PETITIONS**

Mr. BALCAEN  
MLA BEREZA  
Ms. BYRAM  
Mrs. COOK  
Mr. EWASKO  
Mr. GOERTZEN  
Mr. GUENTER  
Mrs. HIEBERT  
Mr. JOHNSON  
Mr. KHAN  
Mr. KING  
MLA LAGASSÉ  
Mr. NARTH  
Mr. NESBITT  
Mr. PERCHOTTE  
Mr. PIWNIUK  
Mrs. ROBBINS  
Mr. SCHULER  
Mrs. STONE  
Mr. WHARTON  
Mr. WOWCHUK

## **GRIEVANCES**

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

#### **ETHICS REPORT MOTIONS:**

THAT the Legislative Assembly accept the findings regarding the Honourable Member for River Heights in the Conclusion of the Report of the Ethics Commissioner dated July 16, 2025.

THAT the Legislative Assembly accept the findings regarding the Honourable Member for Fort Rouge in the Conclusion of the Report of the Ethics Commissioner dated August 27, 2025.

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#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

##### **COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY**

(48 hours 27 minutes)

(Chamber – Transportation and Infrastructure)

(Room 254 – Education and Early Childhood Learning)

(Room 255 – Executive Council)

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#### **SECOND READINGS:**

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)

Hon. Ms. SMITH –

(No. 48) – The Protective Detention and Care of Intoxicated Persons Act/Loi sur la détention des personnes agissant sous l'influence d'une substance intoxicante aux fins de protection et de prestation de soins

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 49) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act (2)/Loi n° 2 modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba

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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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## **GOVERNMENT MOTION:**

Hon. Min. FONTAINE –

THAT the Assembly reaffirms its respect and support for the caretaker convention and respect of the democratic will of the voters of Manitoba.

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## **GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION:**

### **Hon. Min. FONTAINE – Appointment of the Seniors' Advocate**

WHEREAS a Sub-Committee of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs was struck to manage the hiring process for a Seniors' Advocate; and

WHEREAS the Sub-Committee, following an open competition and consideration of applicants, recommended to the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs that Leigh Anne Caron be appointed Seniors' Advocate; and

WHEREAS the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to section 2 of *The Seniors' Advocate Act*, Leigh Anne Caron be appointed as the Seniors' Advocate effective November 12, 2025.

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# **NOTICE PAPER**

## **NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE NEXT TUESDAY OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS:**

### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION:**

#### **Mr. WASYLIW – Manitoba Needs to Address the Cost of Living Crisis**

21. WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has lost 5,000 jobs in the month of August; and

WHEREAS Manitoba continues to lead the country in the fastest growing grocery store prices; and

WHEREAS Manitoba has the fastest growing rents in the country despite being a rent-controlled province; and

WHEREAS Manitoba has the third lowest minimum wage in the country; and

WHEREAS one in four working Manitobans, or 170,000 people, earn less than a living wage and are overwhelmingly women with young children and/or newcomers to Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government continues to ignore the rising costs of public transit and add to the financial burden of parents who already pay exorbitant fees for private childcare, by increasing tuition on students and underfunding public education.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to immediately reduce the costs of living for Manitobans by creating a plan which will reduce the costs of rental housing, groceries, public transit, and public school fees, and will also bring in a tuition freeze for post-secondary students and provide for the immediate building of new childcare spaces.

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**NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on JUSTICE will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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