



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 15

FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 206).

Mr. BOROTSIK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 206) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act (Disclosure of Government Directives)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba (publication des directives gouvernementales), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. BOROTSIK, Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK, Messrs. PEDERSEN and MARTINDALE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

Mr. WIEBE moved:

Resolution No. 3: Youth Opportunities

WHEREAS the transition between receiving an education and finding a rewarding career can be difficult for many young Manitobans; and

WHEREAS a positive adult influence and strong job skills can make the difference in helping young people take the right path in life and avoid crime and other destructive activities; and

WHEREAS the province has followed the recommendations of the Premier's Economic Advisory Council and launched the new Manitoba Youth Corps, including two initiatives, Manitoba Mentors and Manitoba Youth Employment; and

WHEREAS these new initiatives will connect 2,500 high-school students to mentorship and job opportunities and create an additional 345 new job openings over the next three years and is a fresh new way of building supports and job opportunities for Manitoba's young people; and

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WHEREAS these initiatives complement existing youth programs such as the Urban and Rural Hometown Green Teams.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all Members of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba commend the Provincial Government for the action that it has taken in investing in the province's youth which will serve to benefit all Manitobans.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. WIEBE and SCHULER, Ms. SELBY, Mrs. STEFANSON and Ms. BLADY having spoken,

And Mrs. MITCHELSON speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Bill (No. 6) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail, was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. BOROTSIK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider making the Province of Manitoba a leader in CCSVI research and to move forward with clinical trials as soon as possible. (M. Speers, K. McKay, M. Donald and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider making the Province of Manitoba a leader in CCSVI research and to move forward with clinical trials as soon as possible. (F. Budzey, J. Budzey, E. Desrochers and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Justice to consider working with the RCMP, the federal government and communities to develop strategies to address service challenges in rural Manitoba, such as the possibility of having response units that could be dispatched to regions affected by crime waves and to consider working with stakeholders to determine if the current RCMP detachment boundaries are designed to ensure the swiftest and most effective service delivery. (M. Halliday, K. Brown, W. Cabak and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to allow Manitoba Hydro to proceed with the shorter, cheaper and greener east side route, subject to necessary regulatory approvals, enabling the utility to keep our Hydro bills lower, and to ensure a more reliable electricity system. (R. Mazarat, R. Veugen, R. LeNeil and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Transportation consider holding a public consultation process with Springfield residents to present design options and rationale for the planned changes to PTH#15 and Hwy#206 intersection, and also in regards to the planned hard median at a public open house in Dugald and to recognize the value of the businesses affected by the proposed changes, as well as the lives and well-being of the students, seniors and citizens of Manitoba. (T. Wachal, R. Chornley, I. Lafrance and others)

Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on December 6, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- **Bill (No. 3)** – The Victims’ Bill of Rights Amendment Act (Denying Compensation to Offenders and Other Amendments)/Loi modifiant la Déclaration des droits des victimes (refus de versement d’indemnités aux auteurs d’infractions et autres modifications)
- **Bill (No. 4)** – The Retail Businesses Holiday Closing Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les jours fériés dans le commerce de détail
- **Bill (No. 5)** – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Historic Property Designations)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (désignations de biens historiques)
- **Bill (No. 8)** – The Legal Aid Manitoba Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d’aide juridique du Manitoba
- **Bill (No. 9)** – The Summary Convictions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les poursuites sommaires
- **Bill (No. 10)** – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Citizenship Ceremonies)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d’emploi (congés relatifs aux cérémonies de citoyenneté)

Committee Membership

- Ms. BRICK
- Mr. BRIESE
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. DYCK
- Mr. HAWRANIK
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF (*Chair*)
- Mr. SCHULER
- Hon. Mr. SWAN

Your Committee elected Ms. BRICK as the Vice-Chairperson.

Public Presentations

Your Committee heard the following two presentations on **Bill (No. 4)** – The Retail Businesses Holiday Closing Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les jours fériés dans le commerce de détail:

Chuck Davidson
Lanny McInnes

Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce
Retail Council of Canada

Your Committee heard the following presentation on **Bill (No. 10)** – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Citizenship Ceremonies)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congés relatifs aux cérémonies de citoyenneté):

Sergio Glogowski

MEAAC (Manitoba Ethnocultural Advisory and Advocacy Council)

Written Submissions

Your Committee received the following written submission on **Bill (No. 3)** – The Victims' Bill of Rights Amendment Act (Denying Compensation to Offenders and Other Amendments)/Loi modifiant la Déclaration des droits des victimes (refus de versement d'indemnités aux auteurs d'infractions et autres modifications):

Michael Silicz

Manitoba Association for Rights and Liberties

Your Committee received the following written submission on **Bill (No. 5)** – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Historic Property Designations)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (désignations de biens historiques):

Cindy Tugwell

Heritage Winnipeg Corporation

Bills Considered and Reported

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Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 4)** – The Retail Businesses Holiday Closing Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les jours fériés dans le commerce de détail

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 5)** – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Historic Property Designations)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (désignations de biens historiques)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 8)** – The Legal Aid Manitoba Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'aide juridique du Manitoba

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 9)** – The Summary Convictions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les poursuites sommaires

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 10)** – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Citizenship Ceremonies)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congés relatifs aux cérémonies de citoyenneté)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF, the Report of the Committee was received.

Hon. Mr. BJORNSON presented:

Annual Report of the Manitoba Opportunities Fund Limited for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010. (Sessional Paper No. 19)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Development Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010. (Sessional Paper No. 20)

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH presented:

Orders in Council 123/2010 and 194/2010 filed in accordance with section 114 of The Insurance Act. (Sessional Paper No. 21)

Hon. Mr. SELINGER, the First Minister, made a statement to pay tribute to the two surviving members of the Winnipeg Grenadiers, World War II veterans who fought in Hong Kong.

Mr. MCFADYEN and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. PEDERSEN, JENNISSEN, BRIESE and WHITEHEAD and Mrs. DRIEDGER made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that the Provincial Parks Resolution will be considered on the next Tuesday of Private Members' Business.

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Hon. Ms. ALLAN moved:

(No. 13) – The Preparing Students for Success Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi visant la réussite scolaire (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. ALLAN, Mr. CULLEN, Hon. Messrs. STRUTHERS and BJORNSON, Ms. BLADY, Mr. CALDWELL, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Ms. BRICK having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

Hon. Ms. ALLAN presented:

Message from His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 13).

(Sessional Paper No. 22)

The House then adjourned at 4:55 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 8, 2010.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.