



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 56

FOURTH SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. LINDSEY moved:

THAT Bill (No. 235) – The Emergency Medical Response and Stretcher Transportation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les interventions médicales d'urgence et le transport pour personnes sur civière, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. LINDSEY having spoken,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Mr. BINDLE, Ms. FONTAINE and Messrs. WOWCHUK and SMOOK having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Messrs. GOERTZEN and GERRARD and Mr. SMOOK having spoken,

And Mr. BINDLE speaking at 10:55 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

In accordance with Rule 33(9), the Second Opposition House Leader announced that the Declaring an Environment and Climate Emergency Resolution will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members' Business.

In accordance with sub-rule 24(1), the debate was interrupted to put the Second Reading Question on Selected Bill (No. 236).

The House resumed the Debate on the Proposed Motion of Mr. SWAN:

THAT (No. 236) – The Celebrating Manitoba 150 Act/Loi sur l'Année de la célébration du 150^e anniversaire du Manitoba, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the Question being put. It was negatived, on the following division:

YEA

FONTAINE	MARCELINO (Tyndall Park)
GERRARD	SARAN
LAMONT	SMITH (Point Douglas)
LAMOUREUX	SWAN
LINDSEY	WIEBE 11
MALOWAY	

NAY

BINDLE	MICHALESKI
CLARKE	MICKLEFIELD
COX	MORLEY-LECOMTE
EICHLER	PEDERSEN
EWASKO	SCHULER
FIELDING	SMITH (Southdale)
GOERTZEN	SMOOK
GUILLEMARD	SQUIRES
HELWER	STEFANSON
ISLEIFSON	TEITSMA
JOHNSON	WHARTON
LAGASSÉ	WISHART
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Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) moved:

Resolution No. 13: Keep Concordia and Seven Oaks Emergency Rooms Open.

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has announced that Concordia and Seven Oaks Hospitals' emergency rooms (ER) will be closed in June of 2019 and September of 2019, respectively; and

WHEREAS the Minister of Health, Seniors and Active Living refuses to be forthcoming with residents of northeast Winnipeg on what exact date the Concordia ER will be shut down; and

WHEREAS these closures leave families in north Winnipeg without any nearby access to emergency medical care on a 24/7 basis; and

WHEREAS these closures will result in patients in need traveling twenty minutes or more to emergency rooms at St. Boniface Hospital or Health Sciences Centre to receive care; and

WHEREAS wait times at Winnipeg emergency rooms have continued to increase since the Provincial Government began Phase 1 of its health care overhaul; and

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WHEREAS as a result of the chaos from this health care overhaul, the Provincial Government has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on private agency nurses to fill nursing shortages; and

WHEREAS nurses have strongly expressed concern for their patients because the shortage is increasing overtime hours and workloads, and thereby creating an environment in which quality patient care cannot be guaranteed; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government failed to consult with families and seniors in northeast Winnipeg regarding the closing of their emergency rooms or to consult with health officials and healthcare workers to discuss how these closures would impact patient care in advance of the announcement; and

WHEREAS in the Provincial Government's 2019 budget, \$120 million was cut from healthcare, after \$240 million was underspent in 2018, leaving Manitobans with fewer resources to address their health needs; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has rehired a consultant because its health care overhaul is failing; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government is making health care decisions based on politics and profits rather than improving patient care.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to reverse the decision to close Concordia Hospital's emergency room and Seven Oaks Hospital's emergency room so that families and seniors in north Winnipeg and the surrounding areas have timely access to quality healthcare services.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 219) – The Protecting Communications on Public Interest Matters Act (Court of Queen's Bench Act and Defamation Act Amended)/Loi sur la protection des communications portant sur des questions d'intérêt public (Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine et la Loi sur la diffamation)

(Mr. ALLUM)

(No. 233) – The Wildlife Amendment Act (Protecting Property from Water and Wildlife Damage)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune (protection des biens contre les dommages causés par les eaux et la faune)

(Mr. JOHNSON)

(No. 241) – The Public Health Amendment Act (Banning Cosmetic Eye Tattooing and Eye Jewellery)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé publique (interdiction visant les tatouages et les bijoux oculaires)

(Mr. JOHNSTON)

Mr. NESBITT, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings

Your Committee met on May 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- **Bill (No. 207)** – The Manitoba Conservation Officers Recognition Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de reconnaissance des agents de conservation du Manitoba
- **Bill (No. 226)** – The Presumption of Death and Declaration of Absence Act and Amendments to The Insurance Act/Loi sur la présomption de décès et la déclaration d'absence et modifiant la Loi sur les assurances
- **Bill (No. 228)** – The Sikh Heritage Month Act/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine sikh
- **Bill (No. 240)** – The Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale

Committee Membership

- Mr. ALLUM
- Mr. BINDLE
- Hon. Mrs. COX
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Mrs. GUILLEMARD
- Mr. ISLEIFSON (*Vice-Chairperson*)
- Mr. KINEW
- Mr. MICKLEFIELD
- Mr. NESBITT (*Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. PEDERSEN

Public Presentations

Your Committee heard the following presentation on **(No. 226)** – The Presumption of Death and Declaration of Absence Act and Amendments to The Insurance Act/Loi sur la présomption de décès et la déclaration d'absence et modifiant la Loi sur les assurances:

Gord Perrier

Winnipeg Police Service

Bills Considered and Reported

- **Bill (No. 207)** – The Manitoba Conservation Officers Recognition Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de reconnaissance des agents de conservation du Manitoba

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 226)** – The Presumption of Death and Declaration of Absence Act and Amendments to The Insurance Act/Loi sur la présomption de décès et la déclaration d'absence et modifiant la Loi sur les assurances

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 228)** – The Sikh Heritage Month Act/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine sikh

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 240)** – The Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

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

Hon. Mrs. COX, the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage, made a statement on United Empire Loyalists Day.

Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) and Mr. LAMONT commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Messrs. BINDLE and MALOWAY, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Messrs. TEITSMA and JOHNSON made Members' Statements.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (K. Witherspoon, N. Jones, C. Ustauro and others)

Mr. LINDSEY – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (K. Bellisario, H. Ticke, A. Rothwell and others)

Mr. GRAYDON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to amend *The Official Time Act* to abolish daylight saving time in Manitoba effective November 4, 2019, resulting in Manitoba remaining on Central Standard Time (CST) throughout the year and in perpetuity. (D. Ruttan, M. Decia, B. Vanderveen and others)

Mr. ALTEMEYER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (T. Sones-Zakaluk, H. Viznaugh, G. Glaser and others)

Ms. LATHLIN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce.

Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce.

Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (H. Sandhu, N. Brar, D. Brar and others)

Ms. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce.

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to immediately restore the Access Bursary program to ensure targeted funding for northern, Indigenous, and low income students to help reduce barriers to access and ensure all Manitobans have equal opportunities to pursue post-secondary education. (C. Higgins, M. Hoogervorst, C. Dominit and others)

Mr. ALLUM – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (F. Cantaleso, S. Fiddler, C. Haongo and others)

Mr. SWAN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (B. Boroskae, S. Desrochers, J. André and others)

Mr. WIEBE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government reverse cuts and closures that negatively impact patients' ability to access timely, quality health care and to make real investments in Manitoba's public health care system that will improve the timeliness and quality of care for patients by increasing the number of beds across the system, and recruiting and retaining an adequate number of nurses and other health professionals to meet Manitoba's needs. (S. Kreftsuw, M. Nemeč, J. Anwrada and others)

Ms. FONTAINE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (R. Enriquez, A. Guanzon, M. Coombe and others)

Following Petitions, the Second Opposition House Leader rose on a Matter of Privilege regarding the fact that the Government has not been calling the Committee of Supply for the consideration of Departmental Estimates, despite a comment made by the Government House Leader in the House yesterday that he had intended to call Estimates, and moved:

THAT this matter be referred to a Legislature committee.

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN and Ms. FONTAINE having spoken.

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled there was no Matter of Privilege.

From her decision, Hon. Mr. GERRARD appealed to the House,

And the Question being put, "Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?" It was agreed to, on the following division:

YEA

CLARKE	MORLEY-LECOMTE
COX	NESBITT
EICHLER	PEDERSEN
EWASKO	PIWNIUK
FIELDING	REYES
FRIESEN	SCHULER
GUILLEMARD	SMITH (Southdale)
HELWER	SMOOK
JOHNSON	SQUIRES
JOHNSTON	STEFANSON
LAGASSÉ	TEITSMA
MARTIN	WHARTON
MAYER	WISHART
MICHALESKI	WOWCHUK
MICKLEFIELD	YAKIMOSKI..... 30

NAY

ALLUM	MALOWAY
ALTEMEYER	MARCELINO (Logan)
FONTAINE	MARCELINO (Tyndall Park)
GERRARD	SARAN
LAMONT	SMITH (Point Douglas)
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Madam Speaker advised the House that notice had been received from the Leader of the Official Opposition that he had designated his unlimited speaking time on Bill (No. 22) – The Business Registration, Supervision and Ownership Transparency Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur l'enregistrement, la surveillance et la transparence de la propriété effective des entreprises (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), to the Honourable Member for Minto.

The House resumed the debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FIELDING:

THAT Bill (No. 32) – An Act concerning the Leasing of 800 Adele Avenue, Winnipeg/Loi sur la location des locaux sis au 800, avenue Adele, à Winnipeg, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to, on the following division:

YEA

ALLUM	MAYER
CLARKE	MICHALESKI
COX	MICKLEFIELD
CULLEN	MORLEY-LECOMTE
EICHLER	NESBITT
EWASKO	PEDERSEN
FIELDING	PIWNIUK
FONTAINE	REYES
FRIESEN	SCHULER
GOERTZEN	SMITH (Point Douglas)
GUILLEMARD	SMITH (Southdale)
HELWER	SMOOK
JOHNSON	SQUIRES
JOHNSTON	STEFANSON
LAGASSÉ	SWAN
LATHLIN	TEITSMA
MALOWAY	WHARTON
MARCELINO (Logan)	WISHART
MARCELINO (Tyndall Park)	WOWCHUK
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The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

The House then adjourned at 5:01 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 27, 2019.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.