



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 54

FIFTH SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk formally advised the Assembly that the Speaker was unavoidably absent and called upon the Deputy Speaker to take the Chair pursuant to the Statutes. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

The following Bill was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined:

(No. 243) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne

(Hon. Mr. GERRARD)

The Deputy Speaker presented:

Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2022, combining the Annual Reports of *The Elections Act* and *The Election Financing Act*, including the conduct of the Fort Whyte, Thompson and Kirkfield Park by-elections.

(Sessional Paper No. 70)

Hon. Mr. KHAN, the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage, made a statement regarding Polish Heritage Month.

Ms. LATHLIN and, by leave, Ms. LAMOUREUX commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 28(1), Hon. Mr. REYES, MLA ASAGWARA and Messrs. EICHLER, SALA and MARTIN made Members' Statements.

Following Oral Questions, Mr. LAMONT rose on a Matter of Privilege alleging that on May 11, 2023 in the Chamber the Government House Leader and the Member for Elmwood had attempted to intimidate him by telling his colleague that he would face retaliation if he kept asking questions in the House about issues and policies related to allowances for MLAs and what could be purchased with those allowances. The Member contended that being told that he should not ask questions in the House is a *prima facie* violation of his privilege and his freedom of speech as a Member of this House. The Member concluded his remarks and moved:

THAT the Member for Elmwood and Steinbach be asked to apologize to the House for their violation of privilege, and that it be referred to an all-party committee for immediate consideration.

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

WHEREUPON the Deputy Speaker informed the House he would take the matter under advisement.

The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – To urge the Provincial Government to enact Bill 217 – The Fatality Inquiries Amendment Act (Overdose Death Reporting), to require the province to publish the number of drug overdose death, as well as the type of drug, on a government website in a timely fashion.

Mr. MALOWAY – To urge the Provincial Government to work with municipalities to establish a province wide tax rebate or other incentive program to encourage residents and businesses to purchase approved home and business security protection systems.

Mr. ALTOMARE – To urge the Provincial Government to take steps to implement Punjabi bilingual programs in public schools similar to existing bilingual programs and take steps to implement Punjabi language instruction in other levels of education in Manitoba.

Hon. Mr. SMITH (Lagimodière) moved:

THAT Bill (No. 2) – The Official Time Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le temps réglementaire, reported from the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. SMITH (Lagimodière), Ms. NAYLOR and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 6) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. WIEBE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 11) – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2023/Loi de 2023 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. SANDHU and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 12) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2023/Loi corrective de 2023, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. WIEBE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 15) – The Court of King's Bench Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour du Banc du Roi, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. WIEBE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 18) – The Legislative Security Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité de la Cité législative, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. WIEBE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 19) – The Provincial Offences Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les infractions provinciales, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. WIEBE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 26) – The Limitations Amendment and Public Officers Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les délais de prescription et la Loi sur les officiers publics, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

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And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. WIEBE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 34) – The Police Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services de police, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Mr. WIEBE and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN for Hon. Mr. TEITSMA moved:

THAT Bill (No. 38) – The Builders’ Liens Amendment Act (Prompt Payment)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le privilège du constructeur (paiement rapide), as amended and reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN and Messrs. SANDHU and LAMONT having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

The House then adjourned at 4:55 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

Andrew MICKLEFIELD,
Deputy Speaker.