

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

MLA MALOWAY, Vice-Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented its Fourth Report (1st Session, 43rd Legislature), which was read as follows:

Meetings

Your Committee met on November 13, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Auditor General's Report Archives of Manitoba: Preservation and Access to Records dated February 2024
- Auditor General's Report Management of Provincial Tourism dated January 2020
- Auditor General's Report Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated March 2023
 Management of Provincial Tourism
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Committee Membership

- Mr. BRAR
- MLA CHEN
- MLA DELA CRUZ
- MLA DEVGAN
- Mr. GUENTER (Chairperson)
- MLA KENNEDY
- MLA LAMOUREUX
- MLA MALOWAY (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. NESBITT
- MLA SANDHU
- Mrs. STONE

Substitutions received prior to Committee proceedings:

- MLA COMPTON for MLA DEVGAN
- Mr. KING for Mrs. STONE
- Mrs. SCHOTT for MLA KENNEDY

Officials Speaking on Record

- Tyson Shtykalo, Auditor General of Manitoba
- Jeff Hnatiuk, Deputy Minister of Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism
- Angela Cassie, Chief Operating Officer, Travel Manitoba
- Scott Goodine, Archivist of Manitoba

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Auditor General's Report Archives of Manitoba: Preservation and Access to Records dated February 2024
- Auditor General's Report Management of Provincial Tourism dated January 2020

Your Committee completed consideration of the following chapters as presented:

- Auditor General's Report Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated March 2023
 Management of Provincial Tourism
- Auditor General's Report Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated February 2024
 - Management of Provincial Tourism

On motion of MLA MALOWAY, the Report of the Committee was received.

The Speaker tabled:

Report on Amounts Paid or Payable to Members of the Assembly for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024.

(Sessional Paper No. 1)

Manitoba Legislative Building: Long-Term Restoration and Preservation Plan and Annual Implementation Plan for the fiscal years 2024/2025 to 2029/2030.

(Sessional Paper No. 2)

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA, the Minister of Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care, made a statement regarding today being the Transgender Day of Remembrance.

Ms. BYRAM commented on the statement.

Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), Mr. OXENHAM, Mrs. STONE, Hon. Min. NAYLOR, Mr. NARTH and, by leave, Mr. WASYLIW made Member's statements.

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

Mr. EWASKO – To urge the Provincial Government to remove the federal carbon tax on home heating bills for all Manitobans to provide them much needed relief.

Mr. BALCAEN – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately put forward a plan to increase breast cancer screening capacity and lower the breast cancer screening age to 40.

MLA BEREZA – To urge the Provincial Government to support the investment and placement of an MRI machine in the Portage Regional Health Facility in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

Mrs. COOK – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately put forward a plan to increase breast cancer screening capacity and lower the breast cancer screening age to 40.

Ms. BYRAM – To urge the Provincial Government to address the conditions of Provincial Trunk Highway 34, making the necessary upgrades to RTAC standard and to resurface the road once the new bridge has been completed.

Mr. GUENTER – To urge the Provincial Government to lobby the Federal Government to stop the expansion of medical assistance in dying to those for whom mental illness is the sole condition; and to protect Canadians struggling with mental illness by facilitating treatment, recovery, and medical assistance in living, not death.

Mrs. HIEBERT – To urge the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning to reverse recent amendments to the Teaching Certificates and Qualifications Regulation that weaken subject-area requirements for teacher certification, and to reinstate teachable majors and minors and early-middle years requirements, which are essential for ensuring teachers have strong knowledge in core subject areas; and to urge the Provincial Government to address teacher shortages through alternative measures that uphold rigorous subject-area standards, which are critical for providing quality education to all Manitoba students.

Mr. JACKSON – To urge the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning to reverse recent amendments to the Teaching Certificates and Qualifications Regulation that weaken subject-area requirements for teacher certification, and to reinstate teachable majors and minors and early-middle years requirements, which are essential for ensuring teachers have strong knowledge in core subject areas; and to urge the Provincial Government to address teacher shortages through alternative measures that uphold rigorous subject-area standards, which are critical for providing quality education to all Manitoba students.

Mr. JOHNSON – To urge the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning to reverse recent amendments to the Teaching Certificates and Qualifications Regulation that weaken subject-area requirements for teacher certification, and to reinstate teachable majors and minors and early-middle years requirements, which are essential for ensuring teachers have strong knowledge in core subject areas; and to urge the Provincial Government to address teacher shortages through alternative measures that uphold rigorous subject-area standards, which are critical for providing quality education to all Manitoba students.

Mr. WHARTON – To urge the Provincial Government to assist the City of Winnipeg to address serious safety risks for all that frequent the FWA area by twinning and installing a traffic light and crosswalk at the intersection of McGillivray Boulevard and Brady Road, as is it transitions into Provincial Trunk Highway 3.

Mr. KING – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately put forward a plan to increase breast cancer screening capacity and lower the breast cancer screening age to 40.

Mr. NARTH – To urge the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning to immediately bring back the three portable classrooms to help alleviate the stress and overcrowding classrooms; and to urge the Provincial Government to reinstate the expansion project for Green Valley School.

Mr. NESBITT – To urge the Provincial Government to address the much needed rehabilitation of Provincial Road 275 to ensure public safety; provide results of the MTI investigation into the Town and Municipality and provide immediate funding for the repairs of PR 275; and address the drainage issues on PR 275 and create permanent solutions so that flooding can be avoided.

Mr. PERCHOTTE – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately put forward a plan to increase breast cancer screening capacity and lower the breast cancer screening age to 40.

Mr. PIWNIUK – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately put forward a plan to increase breast cancer screening capacity and lower the breast cancer screening age to 40.

Mr. SCHULER – To urge the Provincial Government to lobby the Federal Government to stop the expansion of medical assistance in dying to those for whom mental illness is the sole condition; and to protect Canadians struggling with mental illness by facilitating treatment, recovery, and medical assistance in living, not death.

Mr. WOWCHUK – To urge the Provincial Government to address the much needed rehabilitation of Provincial Road 275 to ensure public safety; provide results of the MTI investigation into the Town and Municipality and provide immediate funding for the repairs of PR 275; and address the drainage issues on PR 275 and create permanent solutions so that flooding can be avoided.

MLA COMPTON moved, seconded by MLA CROSS:

THAT the following address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor:

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, thank Your Honour for the gracious speech addressed to us at this Second Session of the Forty-Third Legislature of Manitoba.

And a debate arising,

And MLAs COMPTON and CROSS and Mr. EWASKO having spoken,

And Mr. EWASKO moved an amendment as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by adding at the end the following words:

But this House regrets that the Provincial Government has failed to follow through on its commitments to the people of Manitoba, demonstrating a lack of credibility, integrity and competence in basic governance, and has thus neglected the needs of Manitobans.

As a consequence of this and many other failings, the Provincial Government has thereby lost the trust and confidence of the people of Manitoba and this House.

WHEREUPON the Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

The debate on the amendment was allowed to remain open.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Thursday, November 21, 2024.

Hon. Tom LINDSEY, Speaker.