



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 31**

**SECOND SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER**

**10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.**

In accordance with Rule 33(8), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Keeping Post-Secondary Education Affordable for Students and Families Resolution will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members' Business.

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By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 219).

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Mr. ALTEMEYER moved:

THAT Bill (No. 219) – The Surface Water Management Act (Amendments to Various Acts to Protect Lakes and Wetlands)/Loi sur la gestion des eaux de surface (modification de diverses lois visant la protection des lacs et des terres humides), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. ALTEMEYER having spoken,

And Messrs. SMITH and ALLUM, Hon. Mr. SCHULER, Messrs. LINDSEY, JOHNSON and MALOWAY, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. TEITSMA having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Mr. SCHULER, Messrs. LINDSEY and JOHNSON and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And Mr. TEITSMA speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

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Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) moved:

Resolution No. 7: Protect Manitoba's Provincial Nominee Program

WHEREAS Manitoba's Provincial Nominee Program is one of the most successful newcomer sponsorship programs in Canada and is supported by a broad consensus of business groups, like the Manitoba Chamber of Commerce, as well as labour and community leaders; and

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WHEREAS provincial nominees to Manitoba are helping to keep the province growing, filling the skilled labour shortage and enriching the social and cultural fabric; and

WHEREAS in the past, the Provincial Nominee Program emphasized skilled applicants with strong connections to Manitoba through family, previous work experience and education, and other social connections; and

WHEREAS this past process ensured that nominees would have a community around them to provide settlement supports and would encourage them to stay in Manitoba to work and grow the economy; and

WHEREAS provincial nominees account for nearly 70% of all immigration to Manitoba, and because 85% of nominees are working three weeks after landing, Manitoba's nominees have the second lowest unemployment rate in Canada; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has announced changes to the Provincial Nominee Program which eliminate the emphasis on community connection to Manitoba, making it harder to attract nominees who will stay in Manitoba instead of moving to larger market cities; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has instituted a regressive \$500 fee for successful applicants; and

WHEREAS the Premier has falsely alleged that nominees create high unemployment rates and have an excessive dependence on social assistance.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to reverse its changes to Manitoba's Provincial Nominee Program and continue to invest in supports for nominees.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) having spoken,

And Messrs. REYES and MALOWAY, Mrs. MAYER, Ms. LAMOUREUX and Messrs. EWASKO and MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. REYES and MALOWAY, Mrs. MAYER, Ms. LAMOUREUX and Mr. EWASKO having spoken,

And Hon. Mr. SCHULER speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

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**1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.**

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Hon. Messrs. SCHULER and EICHLER, Mr. SELINGER, Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD made Members' Statements.

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During Oral Questions, Madam Speaker interjected and requested that the words "not being honest" spoken by the Honourable Member for Wolseley be withdrawn.

WHEREUPON Mr. ALTEMEYER withdrew his remarks.

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The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. SWAN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to support the Neighbourhoods Alive! program and the communities served by Neighbourhood Renewal Corporations, by continuing to provide consistent, core funding for existing Neighbourhood Renewal Corporations, and enhancing the public funding available for specific projects and initiatives.

Mr. ALTEMEYER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to support the Neighbourhoods Alive! program and the communities served by Neighbourhood Renewal Corporations, by continuing to provide consistent, core funding for existing Neighbourhood Renewal Corporations, and enhancing the public funding available for specific projects and initiatives. (P. Stewart, S. White, R. Sangalang and others)

Ms. FONTAINE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to recognize the need for excellent recreation facilities in all Manitoba schools, to reverse this regressive cut and to provide Kelvin High School with the funding necessary to complete a new gymnasium and wellness centre. (J. Schreyer, T. Schmidt, R. Scott and others)

Mr. KINEW – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to recognize the tireless efforts of Dakota Collegiate, its students, parents, staff and the surrounding community, to recognize the need for excellent recreation facilities in all Manitoba schools, to reverse this regressive cut and to provide the funding necessary to complete the Louis Riel School Division Sports Complex.

Mr. LINDSEY – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to recognize the tireless efforts of Dakota Collegiate, its students, parents, staff and the surrounding community, to recognize the need for excellent recreation facilities in all Manitoba schools, to reverse this regressive cut and to provide the funding necessary to complete the Louis Riel School Division Sports Complex.

Mr. MALOWAY – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to support the Neighbourhoods Alive! program and the communities served by Neighbourhood Renewal Corporations, by continuing to provide consistent, core funding for existing Neighbourhood Renewal Corporations, and enhancing the public funding available for specific projects and initiatives.

Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to maintain the PNP's nomination criteria, to remove the \$500 fee and to continue to invest in newcomers who build the province, drive the economy and promote diversity and inclusion in Manitoba. (R. Booth, R. Roman, A. Jones and others)

Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to recognize the tireless efforts of Kelvin High School and Dakota Collegiate, to recognize the need for excellent recreation facilities in all Manitoba schools, to reverse this regressive cut to Manitoba schools and to provide both schools with the funding necessary to complete the new Kelvin High School gymnasium and the Dakota Collegiate Field of Dreams.

Mr. WIEBE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to both recognize the importance of bilingual health care services in Manitoba and reverse their decision to close the St. Boniface Quick Care Clinic.

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Hon. Mr. FRIESEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 2) – The Securities Amendment Act (Reciprocal Enforcement)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les valeurs mobilières (exécution réciproque), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. FRIESEN having spoken,

And Mr. ALLUM and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. ALLUM, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. CURRY 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.

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Hon. Mr. FRIESEN presented:

Message from Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 2).

(Sessional Paper No. 22)

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The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FRIESEN:

THAT Bill (No. 3) – The Pooled Registered Pension Plans (Manitoba) Act/Loi du Manitoba sur les régimes de pension agréés collectifs, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the Question Period continuing,

And Mr. ALLUM having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. ALLUM and TEITSMA, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. JOHNSTON 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.

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Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 13) – The Regulated Health Professions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les professions de la santé réglementées, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN having spoken,

And Mr. WIEBE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. WIEBE and LAGIMODIERE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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.

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Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 14) – 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 Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN having spoken,

And Messrs. WIEBE and LINDSEY and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. WIEBE and WOWCHUCK and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

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

**YEA**

ALLUM	MARCELINO (Logan)
ALTEMEYER	MARTIN
BINDLE	MAYER
CLARKE	MICHALESKI
COX	MICKLEFIELD
CULLEN	MORLEY-LECOMTE
CURRY	REYES
EWASKO	SARAN
FIELDING	SCHULER
FLETCHER	SELINGER
FRIESEN	SMITH
GOERTZEN	SMOOK
GUILLEMARD	SQUIRES
JOHNSON	STEFANSON
JOHNSTON	SWAN
KINEW	WHARTON
LAGASSÉ	WIEBE
LAGIMODIERE	WISHART
LATHLIN	WOWCHUK
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The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

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The House then adjourned at 4:55 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 3, 2017.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,  
Speaker.