



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 26**

**THIRD SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**1:30 O’CLOCK P.M.**

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

(No. 26) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Eliminating Mandatory Overtime for Nurses)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l’obligation redevable au sein du système de santé (fin de l’imposition d’heures supplémentaires aux infirmiers)

(Hon. Min. ASAGWARA)

(No. 28) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Nurse-to-Patient Ratios)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l’obligation redevable au sein du système de santé (ratios infirmier-malade)

(Hon. Min. ASAGWARA)

(No. 15) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur

(Hon. Min. SANDHU)

(No. 21) – The Drinking Water Safety Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la qualité de l’eau potable

(Hon. Min. MOYES)

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Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), MLA PANKRATZ, Mr. JOHNSON, MLA COMPTON, Mr. NARTH and MLA LAMOUREUX made Member’s statements.

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

Mr. KHAN – To urge the Provincial Government to increase staffing and contingency staffing levels at EM Crowe Memorial Hospital in Eriksdale and Lakeshore General Hospital in Ashern so these facilities can remain open on their advertised days and hours without unexpected closures.

Ms. BYRAM – To urge the Provincial Government to support the investment and placement of a CT scanner machine in the Neepawa Health Centre in Neepawa, Manitoba.

Mr. WOWCHUK – To urge the Minister of Transportation to take the necessary steps to upgrade Provincial Road 482 to meet RTAC standards.

Mrs. STONE – To urge the Provincial Government to remove education funding and taxation from property taxes and find a fair and equitable way to fund education in Manitoba.

Mr. SCHULER – To urge the Provincial Government to take immediate and decisive action on bail reform to address serious deficits in enforcement by utilizing all available provincial mechanisms to strengthen warrant enforcement, increasing bail supervision, and opposing release of offenders, thus ensuring that repeat violent offenders are held accountable and that public safety is prioritized over leniency; and to lobby the Federal Government to immediately repeal provisions of the Criminal Code that allow for the continued victimization of law-abiding Manitobans while granting repeat offenders additional rights.

Mrs. ROBBINS – 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. NESBITT – To urge the Minister of Transportation to take the necessary steps to upgrade Provincial Road 482 to meet RTAC standards.

Mr. NARTH – To urge the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure to prioritize the reconstruction of Provincial Road 210; and to urge the Provincial Government to include the stretch of Provincial Road 210 from Woodridge to Highway 12 in its reconstruction plans.

Mr. JOHNSON – To urge the Provincial Government to investigate the 911 network failures that contributed to the March 2025 tragedy in the Interlake region and to publicize those findings; and to work with municipalities, telecommunications providers, and first responders to strengthen 911 reliability and ensure uninterrupted access to emergency services for all Manitobans—especially those living in rural and northern communities.

Mrs. HIEBERT – To urge the Provincial Government to call on the Federal Government to remove the punishing carbon tax on natural gas and other fuels and farm inputs for Manitoba agriculture producers and the Agri-food sector to decrease the costs of putting food on the table for Manitoba consumers.

Mr. GUENTER – 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.

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 proceed with the planned renovation and expansion of Phoenix School without further delay.

Mr. GOERTZEN – 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.

Mr. BALCAEN – 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.

Mr. EWASKO – To urge the Provincial Government to take immediate and decisive action on bail reform to address serious deficits in enforcement by utilizing all available provincial mechanisms to strengthen warrant enforcement, increasing bail supervision, and opposing release of offenders, thus ensuring that repeat violent offenders are held accountable and that public safety is prioritized over leniency; and to lobby the Federal Government to immediately repeal provisions of the Criminal Code that allow for the continued victimization of law-abiding Manitobans while granting repeat offenders additional rights.

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Hon. Min. MARCELINO moved:

THAT Bill (No. 10) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Attachment Leave for Adoption and Surrogacy)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé d'attachement en cas d'adoption ou de recours à la gestation pour autrui), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Min. MARCELINO having spoken,

And Mr. GUENTER and Mmes. STONE and HIEBERT having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. GUENTER and GOERTZEN and Mrs. STONE 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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The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 2026.

Hon. Tom LINDSEY,  
Speaker.