

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

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No. 29

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FIRST SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

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Hon. Mr. LATHLIN -

(No. 23) – The Real Property Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les biens réels

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU -

(No. 24) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment and Public Utilities Board Amendment Act (Electricity Reliability)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba et la Loi sur la Régie des services publics (fiabilité du réseau électrique)

Hon. Mr. GERRARD -

(No. 213) – The Crown Appointment Review Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur l'examen des nominations au sein des sociétés d'état (modification de diverses lois)

PETITIONS

Mr. HAWRANIK

Mrs. TAILLIEU

Mr. SCHULER

Mr. LAMOUREUX

Mr. MAGUIRE

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Hon. Mr. RONDEAU -

(No. 4) – The Real Property Amendment Act (Wind Turbines)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les biens réels (éoliennes)

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Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH -

(No. 21) – The Housing and Renewal Corporation Amendment Act (Fund for Housing Revitalization)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'habitation et de rénovation (fonds destiné à la revitalisation des logements)

OPPOSITION DAY MOTION:

Mr. McFadyen -

WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro has been directed, against its advice, by the NDP government to construct a third high voltage BiPole transmission line ("BiPole III") down the west side of Lake Winnipegosis instead of the East Side of Lake Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS the western route (The "NDP Detour") is more than 400 km longer than the eastern route recommended by Manitoba Hydro experts (the "Recommended Route"); and

WHEREAS the NDP Detour will lead to an unnecessary debt of at least \$400 million related to the capital cost of line construction alone, to be left to future generations of Manitobans; and

WHEREAS the NDP Detour will result in increased line losses due to friction leading to losses of energy sales of between \$250 million and \$1 billion over the life of the project; and

WHEREAS the added debt and lost sales created by the NDP Detour will make every Manitoba family at least \$3000 poorer; and

WHEREAS the unnecessary line losses created by the NDP Detour will also result in a lost opportunity to displace dirty coal generated electricity, which will create added and unnecessary Greenhouse Gas Emissions ("GHGs") equivalent to an additional 40,000 cars on our roads; and

WHEREAS the abandonment of the Recommended Route takes away significant economic development opportunities for east side first nation communities that are currently among the poorest in Canada; and

WHEREAS Manitoba's leading constitutional expert says it is possible that the Recommended Route can co-exist with a UNESCO designation on the east side of Lake Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS Xcel Energy, a major Manitoba Hydro customer, has said that power sales will not be impacted by the line location; and

WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro President and CEO Bob Brennan has stated that the Recommended Route is the preferred option from the company's perspective; and

WHEREAS former NDP MLA Elijah Harper has stated that east side communities are "devastated" by the Government's decision to abandon the Recommended Route, leaving them in "poverty in perpetuity"; and

WHEREAS Manitoba Keewatinook Ininew Okimowin ("MKO"), an organization that represents Northern Manitoba First Nations Chiefs has stated that the government has acted unilaterally to abandon the Recommended Route without consultation with northern first nations, despite repeated requests by MKO for consultations.

AND WHEREAS the Premier has stated that avoiding a conflict with Robert Kennedy Jr., who is on record as opposing any and all future Hydro development, is a reason to choose the NDP Detour.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to abandon the NDP Detour on the basis that it will result in massive financial, economic, environmental and social damage to Manitoba; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to consider proceeding with the Recommended Route, subject to necessary regulatory approvals.

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NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THURSDAY:

Hon. Mr. GERRARD –

(No. 217) – The Winter Spreading of Manure and Biosolids Prohibition Act/Loi interdisant l'épandage hivernal de déjections et de biosolides

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NOTICE OF MOTION FOR TUESDAY NEXT:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Hon. Mr. GERRARD - Canadian Internment Camps

11. WHEREAS many Manitobans are unaware of the plight of the Ukrainian Canadians who were interned during World War I; and

WHEREAS between 1914 and 1920 Canada witnessed its first internment operation under the War Measures Act, where nearly 9,000 Canadians of Ukrainian origin were systematically arrested and interned in 24 camps throughout the country simply because of their ethnic background; and

WHEREAS some 80,000 Canadian citizens, of which the vast majority were Ukrainian, were forced to register as enemy aliens; and

WHEREAS the internees also suffered significant economic losses which included, the confiscation of any wealth they had and the lost earnings as a result of their internment; and

WHEREAS these Canadian citizens suffered from state sanctioned restrictions on their freedom of speech, movement, and association resulting in them being disenfranchised or facing deportation; and

WHEREAS in 2005 under the Liberal Government of the Right Honourable Paul Martin, the Federal Government passed a bill recognizing and promising to rectify the injustice committed against Ukrainian Canadians who were interned from 1914 to 1920.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba acknowledge that the internment, disenfranchisement and related repressive measures taken against Canadians of Ukrainian origin between 1914 and 1920 were unwarranted and unjust and contrary to the principles now adopted and reflected in our Charter of Rights and Freedoms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba aim to inform Manitobans about this tragic episode in our history and to consider undertaking various commemorative projects that will be complemented with research, cultural, and educational projects and programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Government of Manitoba consider supporting the Ukrainian Canadian community in developing forward-looking proposals that will help commemorate their historical experience and educate Canadians about their history in order to highlight and commemorate the contributions that the Ukrainian Canadian community has made to Canada; and to promote a cross-cultural understanding and shared sense of Canadian identity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the provincial government consider similar initiatives in relation to other groups including Italian and German Canadians who were also interned during the First World War.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The Standing Committee on CROWN CORPORATIONS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the Annual Reports of the Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation for the fiscal years ending February 29, 2004, February 28, 2005, February 28, 2006 and February 28, 2007.

The Standing Committee on CROWN CORPORATIONS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, November 21, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the Annual Reports of the Manitoba Lotteries Corporation for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2003, March 31, 2004, March 31, 2005, March 31, 2006 and March 31, 2007.

The Standing Committee on CROWN CORPORATIONS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on December 5, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the Annual Reports of the Manitoba Liquor Control Commission for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2004, March 31, 2005, March 31, 2006 and March 31, 2007.

The Standing Committee on CROWN CORPORATIONS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on December 12, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the Annual Reports of the Workers Compensation Board for the years ending December 31, 2004, December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2006; the Annual Reports of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the years ending December 31, 2004, December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2006 and the Five Year Plans of the Workers Compensation Board for the years 2004-2008, 2005-2009; 2006-2010 and 2007-2011.