

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

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THIRD SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

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NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2009:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Mrs. STEFANSON – The protection of Lake Winnipeg

25. WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg is undertaking costly upgrades to its wastewater treatment plants, a component of which involves nitrogen and phosphorus reductions; and

WHEREAS in September 2008 the Provincial Government asked the Clean Environment Commission (CEC) to review nutrient removal and ammonia treatment strategies for the City of Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS an eminent group of 63 scientists from Canada, the United States and Israel – including internationally-renown ecology professor David Schindler – advised the CEC on December 19, 2008 that "Removing nitrogen will at best do nothing, and at worst, increase the dominance of the filamentous nitrogen-fixing cyanobacteria that are the public face of eutrophication in Lake Winnipeg and in many other lakes."; and

WHEREAS these respected scientists also advised the CEC that "Resources intended for nitrogen reductions would be better spent on a more comprehensive management strategy for phosphorus in the Lake Winnipeg watershed, especially in the Red River Basin."; and

WHEREAS a recent case study prepared by a City of Winnipeg engineer determined that requiring the City to treat wastewater for both nitrogen and phosphorus at its North End treatment plant could drive up costs to taxpayers by \$750 million more over 20 years; and

WHEREAS a September 24, 2009 *Winnipeg Free Press* editorial stated that on the nitrogen removal debate, "the Doer government...has shown its resilience to reason and science."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to acknowledge that requiring the City of Winnipeg to remove nitrogen at its wastewater treatment facilities could have undesirable environmental consequences such as promoting blooms of cyanobacteria in Lake Winnipeg; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to acknowledge that the money saved by requiring the City of Winnipeg to focus its wastewater treatment strategy on phosphorus – and not nitrogen – could be better spent on a broader management strategy aimed at reducing phosphorus in the Lake Winnipeg watershed.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING:

The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, October 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following Reports referred:

- Auditor General's Report Aiyawin Corporation: The Consequences of Mismanagement in a Shared Responsibility Framework March 2006
- Auditor General's Report Investigation of Maintenance Branch of the Manitoba Housing Authority dated November 2004

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The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following Reports referred:

- Auditor General's Report Special Audit: Property Transactions in the Seven Oaks School Division
- Auditor General's Report Examination of the Crocus Investment Fund May 2005