

Tuesday, March 18, 2014

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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

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**ORDER PAPER** No. 31  
and NOTICE PAPER

**THIRD SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER**

**SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.**

**ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

Mr. EWASKO –

(No. 206) – The Cyberbullying Prevention Act/Loi sur la prévention de la cyberintimidation

Mr. SCHULER –

(No. 211) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act (No Fee for Registry Checks Respecting Volunteers)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille (vérification du registre concernant les mauvais traitements — droits non exigibles à l'égard des bénévoles)

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**PETITIONS**

Mrs. MITCHELSON  
Mrs. STEFANSON  
Mr. EICHLER  
Mr. FRIESEN  
Mr. EWASKO

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## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATE (EIGHTH DAY OF DEBATE):**

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. HOWARD –

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government.

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. PALLISTER in amendment thereto as follows:

*THAT the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “House” and substituting:*

therefore regrets that this budget neglects the priorities of Manitobans by:

- a) failing to repeal the massive tax and fee increases imposed in Budget 2012 and Budget 2013 including the PST hike the Provincial Government previously referred to as “ridiculous” and promised never to impose; and
- b) disrespecting Manitobans by refusing to hold the legally required referendum before increasing the PST and going to court in 2014 to permanently remove the rights of Manitobans to vote on major tax increases; and
- c) breaking the promise to eliminate the structural deficit of nearly \$400 million created by years of government mismanagement and overspending despite record federal transfers, historically low interest rates and record government revenues; and
- d) failing to address the growing threat to services Manitobans count on such as health and social supports which are severely impacted by the more than \$32 billion provincial debt, a debt which was created by overspending even with record federal transfers, historically low interest rates and record government revenues; and
- e) breaking the promise to seniors by failing to provide promised tax relief; and
- f) neglecting vulnerable Manitobans by ignoring repeated calls from the Official Opposition and anti-poverty coalitions to immediately raise the Employment and Income Assistance rental allowance rates to 75% of median market rents; and
- g) failing to relieve the income tax burden for low income families; and

- h) ignoring repeated calls from the Official Opposition and independent experts to review the Provincial Government's \$25 billion Manitoba Hydro expansion gamble which has already resulted in dramatic hydro rate increases for Manitoba families and will continue to impose dramatic hydro rate increases for generations to come; and
- i) failing to encourage business confidence by stifling economic growth through excessive red tape and worsening the already uncompetitive tax environment by raising the PST; and
- j) continuing the Provincial Government's isolationist trade policies by failing to act on the repeated calls of the Official Opposition, leading employers and industry groups to join the New West Partnership.

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

(Mr. GOERTZEN – 21 mins)

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## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

## **COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY**

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## **DEBATE ON CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READING:**

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. HOWARD –

(No. 32) – The Manitoba Institute of the Purchasing Management Association of Canada Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Institut manitobain de l'Association canadienne de gestion des achats

(Hon. Ms. BLADY)

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## **SECOND READINGS:**

Hon. Mr. SWAN –

(No. 3) – The Witness Security Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité des témoins  
(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Ms. BRAUN –

(No. 10) – The Fires Prevention and Emergency Response Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la prévention des incendies et les interventions d'urgence

Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX –

(No. 18) – The Business Practices Amendment Act (Improved Consumer Protection and Enforcement)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les pratiques commerciales (mesures de protection et d'exécution améliorées à l'intention du consommateur)

Hon. Mr. ASHTON –

(No. 21) – The Churchill Arctic Port Canada Act/Loi sur la Société canadienne du Port arctique de Churchill

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. BJORNSON –

(No. 23) – The Cooperative Housing Strategy Act/Loi sur la stratégie en matière d'habitation coopérative

Hon. Mr. SWAN –

(No. 31) – The Police Services Amendment Act (Community Safety Officers)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services de police (agents de sécurité communautaire)

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Ms. OSWALD –

(No. 33) – The Apprenticeship Employment Opportunities Act (Public Works Contracts)/Loi sur les occasions d'apprentissage en milieu de travail (marchés de travaux publics)

Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX –

(No. 34) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act (High-Cost Credit Products)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur (produits de crédit à coût élevé)

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. ALLUM –

(No. 37) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Connecting Schools to the Internet)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (branchement à Internet)

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## NOTICE PAPER

The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following reports referred:

- Auditor General's Report – Operations of the Office for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013
  - Public Accounts for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2011, March 31, 2012 and March 31, 2013 (Volumes 1, 2, 3 & 4)
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