

Thursday, November 8, 2018



PRAYER

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 203) – The Insurance Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les assurances

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 204) – The Electoral Divisions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les circonscriptions électorales

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 206) – The Brookside Cemetery Recognition Act/Loi sur la désignation du cimetière Brookside

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 207) – The Legal Profession Amendment Act (Queen's Counsel Appointments)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la profession d'avocat (nomination de conseillers de la Reine)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 209) – The Gift of Life Act (Human Tissue Gift Act Amended)/Loi sur le don de la vie (modification de la Loi sur les dons de tissus humains)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 210) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 214) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité et l'hygiène du travail

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 215) – The Election Financing Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement des élections

Ms. FONTAINE –

(No. 227) – The Animal Care Amendment Act (Dog Breeding and Exotic Animals)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le soin des animaux (élevage de chiens et animaux interdits)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 232) – The Efficiency Manitoba Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société pour l'efficacité énergétique au Manitoba

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. ALTEMEYER –

(No. 222) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act (Protecting Tenants from Rising Utility Costs)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation (protection des locataires contre l'augmentation des coûts des services publics)

(Mr. SMITH (Southdale) – 7 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. MARTIN –

(No. 200) – The Planning Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire

(Mr. SWAN – 1 minute)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. SWAN –

(No. 225) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act (Genetic Characteristics)/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne (caractéristiques génétiques)

(Mr. HELWER – 4 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 224) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (No Disclosure Without Consent)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (divulgarion interdite sans consentement)

(Mr. HELWER – 6 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. LAGIMODIERE –

(No. 201) – The Manitoba Conservation Officers Recognition Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de reconnaissance des agents de conservation du Manitoba

(Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – 4 minutes)

DEBATE ON RESOLUTION:

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. ALLUM – Restore Public Transit Funding for Municipalities

3. WHEREAS the Provincial Government has ended a decades long funding agreement with municipalities to pay for half of operating funds for public transit services; and

WHEREAS this cut to transit was buried in a massive omnibus bill which also included an across the board cancellation of growth funding formulas for municipalities; and

WHEREAS the in year transit cut has forced the City of Winnipeg to consider increasing fares by up to 25 cents, which would put an undue burden on transit users, especially low income families, seniors, students and newcomers; and

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has also been forced to consider service cuts to a transit system that users report as already overcrowded and infrequent because of this Province’s cut; and

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has warned that reduction in service could mean laying off up to 120 transit drivers, and cancelling service on nearly 60 routes; and

WHEREAS cuts to transit presents barriers for Manitobans commuting to work or school, looking for jobs or trying to access health care; and

WHEREAS many Manitobans are concerned that the Provincial Government’s cut will discourage commuters from choosing public transit over fossil-fuel burning cars; and

WHEREAS a commitment to transit would bolster Winnipeg’s economic competitiveness and help attract new and vibrant business to the market; and

WHEREAS the Premier has failed on his election promise to protect the front line services that are relied upon by Manitobans.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government be urged to immediately reverse its decision to cancel the public transit funding agreement with the City of Winnipeg and commit to long term, predictable, growth oriented funding for municipalities.

(Mr. HELWER – 2 minutes/11 minutes remaining)

RESOLUTION:

Mr. MALOWAY – Committing to an East-West Power Grid for Manitoba

23. WHEREAS the Manitoba New Democratic Party (NDP) is committed to clean energy for the future of Manitoba and Canada; and

WHEREAS the construction of an east-west electrical transmission connection in Manitoba would allow for the flow of new, clean hydroelectric power to other provincial markets; and

WHEREAS the former NDP Provincial Government signed several important long-term firm export contracts to SaskPower, Wisconsin Public Service and Minnesota Power for clean energy to other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS the creation of an east-west power grid would use supply from Manitoba to meet the growing demand in other provinces for renewable energy; and

WHEREAS the International Panel on Climate Change has warned that 1.5 degree global warming above pre-industrial levels will have a catastrophic impact; and

WHEREAS provincial neighbours such as Saskatchewan receive over 79 percent of their energy from non-renewable sources including 43 percent from coal and 36 percent from natural gas; and

WHEREAS Canada has committed to phasing out coal-fired energy generation by 2030; and

WHEREAS an east-west power grid is essential to ensure other provinces quickly increase their use of renewable energy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to commit to partnering with the Federal and other Provincial Governments to create an east-west power grid and to continue to pursue export opportunities for Manitoba's hydroelectric power.

DEBATE ON RESOLUTIONS:

1. Mr. SWAN – Cuts to Outpatient Physiotherapy and Occupational Services
(Mr. JOHNSTON – 9 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
4. Mr. KINEW – Cuts to the Special Drugs Program
(Mr. MICKLEFIELD – 8 minutes/122 minutes remaining)
5. Mr. LAGIMODIERE – Recognition of Wetland Importance
(Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – 9 minutes/125 minutes remaining)
7. Mr. WIEBE – Provincial Government Cuts to Education Hurt Manitoba Students
(Mr. SARAN – 9 minutes/124 minutes remaining)

9. Mr. LINDSEY – Workers Compensation Coverage for Work Related Stress
(Mrs. GUILLEMARD – 10 minutes/129 minutes remaining)
 10. Mr. ISLEIFSON – Celebrating a New School in Brandon
(Mr. SWAN – 4 minutes/126 minutes remaining)
 11. Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – Standing Up for Worker Safety
(Mr. CURRY – 5 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
 12. Mr. JOHNSON – Celebrating Freedom Road
(Mr. LINDSEY – 8 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
 13. Mr. ALTEMEYER – Protect Manitoba Waterways from Transboundary Water Projects
(Mr. WOWCHUK – 9 minutes/123 minutes remaining)
 14. Mr. PIWNIUK – Trans Mountain Pipeline
(Ms. FONTAINE – 9 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
 17. Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – Protecting Manitoba’s Lakes, Rivers and Communities
(Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE – 2 minutes/132 minutes remaining)
 19. Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – Celebrating Pride in Manitoba
(Mr. MARTIN – 6 minutes/123 minutes remaining)
 16. Mr. LAGASSÉ – Celebrating National Indigenous Peoples Day
(Mr. ALLUM – 3 minutes/66 minutes remaining)
 20. Hon. Mr. FLETCHER – Conflict of Interest
(Mr. MICKLEFIELD – 9 minutes/127 minutes remaining)
 21. Mr. LAMONT – Immediate Action Needed on Climate Change
(Mr. WISHART – 7 minutes/129 minutes remaining)
 22. Mr. NESBITT – Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities
(Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – 4 minutes/123 minutes remaining)
 24. Mr. SARAN – Relaxation of Federal Immigration Rules for the Seniors Live-in-Family Caregivers
(Hon. Mr. SCHULER – 7 minutes/125 minutes remaining)
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ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON –

(No. 2) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act (Guardianship Support)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille (aide aux tuteurs)

Hon. Mrs. COX –

(No. 13) – The Concussion in Youth Sport Act/Loi sur les commotions cérébrales chez les jeunes athlètes

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 202) – The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 205) – The Statutory Holidays Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les jours fériés (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) –

(No. 217) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment and Legislative Assembly Management Commission Amendment Act (Workplace-Related Harassment and Violence)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité et l'hygiène du travail et Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Commission de régie de l'Assemblée législative (harcèlement et violence au travail)

Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 220) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Anaphylaxis Policy)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (politique sur l'anaphylaxie)

Mr. REYES –

(No. 234) – The Registered Landscape Architects Act/Loi sur les architectes paysagistes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

DEBATE ON CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mrs. COX –

(No. 8) – The Government Notices Modernization Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la modernisation de la publication des avis du gouvernement (modification de diverses lois)

(Ms. FONTAINE)

Designated Bill

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. SQUIRES –

(No. 16) – The Climate and Green Plan Implementation Act/Loi sur la mise en œuvre du Plan vert et climatique

(Ms. FONTAINE)

(amended – Report Stage)

(Reprinted)

Designated Bill

CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

Hon. Mrs. MAYER –

(No. 12) – The Red Tape Reduction and Government Efficiency Act, 2018/Loi de 2018 sur la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'efficacité du gouvernement

Designated Bill

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON –

(No. 24) – The Social Services Appeal Board Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Commission d'appel des services sociaux

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 27) – The Fiscal Responsibility and Taxpayer Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la responsabilité financière et la protection des contribuables

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 34) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2018/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2018 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité
(amended – Committee)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. SCHULER –

(No. 28) – The Public Sector Construction Projects (Tendering) Act/Loi sur les projets de construction dans le secteur public (appels d'offres)

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 30) – The Statutes Correction and Minor Amendments Act, 2018/Loi corrective de 2018

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTIONS:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON – Special Committee on Proactive Disclosure Requirements for Provincial Candidates

THAT a Special Committee on Proactive Disclosure Requirements for Provincial Candidates (the Special Committee) be established to study and make recommendations regarding the requirement of candidates seeking office in, but not limited to, the Manitoba Legislative Assembly to disclose matters including (but not limited to):

- a) past criminal background checks;
- b) adult and child abuse registry checks, and
- c) other matters which may be relevant for those who are seeking or holding office; and

THAT, except as otherwise provided in this motion, the Special Committee shall have the same status and follow the same practices and rules as a Standing Committee of the House, including:

- a) having the same membership composition as the current composition of the Standing Committees of the House; and
- b) having the power to establish a sub-committee for the purposes of carrying out any part of the Special Committee's work; and

THAT, within the parameters of the practices and Rules of the House and the instructions of this motion, the Special Committee be authorized to decide how it will conduct its business, including deciding to hold meetings at such times and places it considers advisable to receive briefs and hear presentations; and

THAT, despite Rule 4(12) the committee may meet in the months of June, July and August; and

THAT the Special Committee be able to call witnesses, including, but not limited to, the Chief Electoral Officer of Elections Manitoba, representatives from political parties, academia and other experts in ethics, political science or whatever field the Special Committee deems appropriate; and

THAT the Special Committee must report to the House by October 3, 2018.

(Hon. Mr. FLETCHER – 3 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

THAT the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs (the Committee) study the report titled: *Modernizing Manitoba's Conflict of Interest Legislation – Recommendations of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner*, by Jeffrey Schnoor, Q.C., dated April 2018, and make recommendations regarding how best to proceed with changes to the rules governing Members of the Legislative Assembly in *The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Conflict of Interest Act* and *The Legislative Assembly Act*; and

THAT, within the parameters of the practices and Rules of the House and the instructions of this motion, the Committee be authorized to decide how it will conduct its business, including deciding to hold meetings at such times and places it considers advisable to receive briefs and hear presentations; and

THAT, despite Rule 4(12) the Committee may meet in the months of June, July and August; and

THAT the Committee be able to call witnesses, including, but not limited to, the Conflict of Interest Commissioner, and other experts in ethics, political science or whatever field the Committee deems appropriate; and

THAT the Committee must report to the House by November 8, 2018.

(Hon. Mr. FLETCHER – 4 minutes)

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS:

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

THAT despite Rules 3, 4 and 23 of our Rules, Orders and Forms of Proceeding, for any emergency sitting days during the remainder of the 3rd Session of the 41st Legislature, in addition to sitting on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, the House shall also meet from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Fridays, with Routine Proceedings to be held at 10:00 a.m. on Fridays; and

THAT despite rule 4(4) of our Rules, Orders and Forms of Proceeding, for any emergency sitting days during the remainder of the 3rd Session of the 41st Legislature, when any steps of the Main and Capital Supply procedure are considered, the House shall adjourn no later than 9:00 p.m.

OPPOSITION DAY MOTION:

Mr. SWAN –

THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba condemn the Federal Government for continuing to fight veterans groups in court, for repeatedly underspending the Veterans Affairs budget, and for its refusal to properly fund pensions for veterans and to call on the Provincial Government to raise the issue of support for veterans at every opportunity with the Federal Government.

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the following reports:

- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba for the year ending December 31, 2016 including the conduct of the 41st Provincial General Election, April 19, 2016
- Annual Report of Elections Manitoba, including the conduct of the Point Douglas by-election and a proposal to modify the voting process, for the year ending December 31, 2017

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The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. to consider the Report and Recommendations of the Judicial Compensation Committee dated May 23, 2018.
