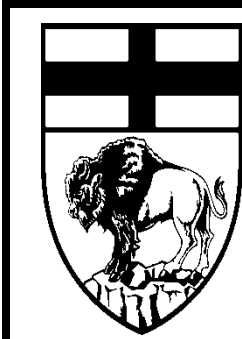


Wednesday, March 13, 2019



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

ORDER PAPER No. 24
and NOTICE PAPER

FOURTH SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 13) – The Private Vocational Institutions Act/Loi sur les établissements d'enseignement professionnel privés

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 19) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation

Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 203) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Anaphylaxis Policy)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (politique sur l'anaphylaxie)

Mr. MARTIN –

(No. 206) – The Planning Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 209) – The Statutory Holidays Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les jours fériés (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

Mr. LINDSEY –

(No. 217) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 218) – The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative

Mr. ALLUM –

(No. 219) – The Protecting Communications on Public Interest Matters Act (Court of Queen's Bench Act and Defamation Act Amended)/Loi sur la protection des communications portant sur des questions d'intérêt public (Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine et la Loi sur la diffamation)

Mr. SWAN –

(No. 222) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act (Genetic Characteristics)/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne (caractéristiques génétiques)

Mr. LINDSEY –

(No. 224) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail

Mr. MICKLEFIELD –

(No. 226) – The Presumption of Death and Declaration of Absence Act and Amendments to The Insurance Act/Loi sur la présomption de décès et la déclaration d'absence et modifiant la Loi sur les assurances

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Ms. FONTAINE

Mr. GRAYDON

Mr. LINDSEY

ORDERS OF THE DAY
GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ADJOURNED DEBATE (FOURTH DAY OF DEBATE):

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

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

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. KINEW 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) breaking the Premier’s promise to protect front line services by making deep cuts to health and education despite unprecedented revenues from the Federal Government; and
- b) continuing the Premier’s attack on the health care system by underspending on health care by \$240 million, cutting the health care budget by \$120 million, continuing forward on the plan to close two more emergency rooms while freezing mental health and addictions services during a methamphetamine epidemic and continuing to undermine health care for women and girls across Manitoba; and
- c) reducing supports for students with special needs while increasing class sizes for the youngest learners and slashing support of daycare for children; and
- d) reducing college and university education by millions while increasing tuition rates for parents and students putting education and good jobs out of the reach of Manitoba’s youth; and
- e) failing to provide a comprehensive jobs strategy for the future, especially for northern Manitobans, that gives more families access to good paying, non-precarious jobs while cutting supports for apprenticeships and training; and
- f) by continuing to cut over \$150 million in infrastructure spending from what was previously promised, cutting \$40 million from water infrastructure in the same year as flood forecasts have worsened while failing to offer any program to reduce greenhouse emissions and fight climate change.

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

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. LAMONT in sub-amendment thereto as follows:

THAT the amendment be amended by adding after clause (f) the following clauses:

- g) failing to ensure mining operations in Manitoba stay viable and threatening the economic viability of northern communities by delaying mining permits as a result of firing mining branch staff; and
- h) failing to properly implement health system reorganization causing crises in emergency rooms and primary care; and
- i) failing to invest federal funding increases in Manitoba into crucial services and infrastructure for Manitobans; and
- j) failing to support Manitoba's economic health and choking off growth by; falsely inflating the Province's deficit, budgeting increased amounts in departments for which there is no intention of spending the increases and allowing Manitoba's GDP to slip below 1%, putting Manitoba at risk of a recession claiming it as the new normal; and
- k) failing to ensure that wealthy Manitobans pay their fair share of taxes by defending tax loopholes that allow the wealthiest to pay a lesser tax rate than medium and low income Manitobans; and
- l) failing to protect the public universal healthcare system by reiterating plans for a grand bargain that would prioritize cheaper wine imports over the Federal Government maintaining its role in health care; and
- m) failing to ensure Manitobans are earning a living wage by; freezing wages, not increasing the minimum wage to a livable amount, and prioritizing the needs of corporations located outside of Manitoba at the expense of workers; and
- n) failing to cut from the top by increasing executive support for Ministers by 2% which is well above increases to the health budget; and
- o) failing to show any clear plans to improve emergency management and increased climate emergencies including more increased floods, droughts and forest fires; and
- p) failing to improve the health systems in Manitobans by completely stalling provincial increases to health funding and solely relying on federal increases to fund health care cost increases; and
- q) failing to support Manitoba by acting as a barrier to municipalities and First Nations to access much needed federal infrastructure funding; and
- r) failing to support children in the care of CFS by slashing funding under the guise of block funding for agencies; and

- s) failing to meet or work with the trilateral methamphetamine taskforce; and
- t) failing to allow jurisdiction over First Nations' children in CFS; and
- u) failing to support Manitoba's incredible arts and cultural communities by allowing cultural infrastructure to crumble and freezing or decreasing funding to arts and cultural organizations.

(Mr. ISLEIFSON – 15 minutes)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. WHARTON –

(No. 2) – The Municipal Amendment Act (Strengthening Codes of Conduct for Council Members)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les municipalités (exigences accrues à l'égard des codes de conduite visant les conseillers)

(Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – 17 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 3) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act (Cannabis Social Responsibility Fee)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis (taxe de responsabilité sociale en matière de cannabis)

(Ms. FONTAINE – 23 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SCHULER –

(No. 4) – The Public Sector Construction Projects (Tendering) Act/Loi sur les projets de construction dans le secteur public (appels d'offres)

(Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – 11 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 7) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Immediate Roadside Prohibitions)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (imposition immédiate de sanctions)

(Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – 22 minutes)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 16) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2019/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2019 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité

(Mr. SWAN – 28 minutes)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 6) – The Statutes Correction and Minor Amendments Act, 2018/Loi corrective de 2018

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 8) – The Referendum Act/Loi sur les référendums
(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 9) – The Family Law Modernization Act/Loi sur la modernisation du droit de la famille
(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN –

(No. 10) – The Regional Health Authorities Amendment Act (Health System Governance and Accountability)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les offices régionaux de la santé (gouvernance et obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé)
(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mrs. MAYER –

(No. 11) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act (Cider and Cooler Sales at Beer Vendors)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis (vente de cidre et de panachés par les vendeurs de bière)

Hon. Mr. PEDERSEN –

(No. 12) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité et l'hygiène du travail

Hon. Mr. FIELDING –

(No. 14) – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2019/Loi de 2019 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 15) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act (Cannabis Possession Restrictions)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis (restrictions relatives à la possession de cannabis)

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 17) – The Police Services Amendment Act (Institutional Safety Officers)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services de police (agents de sécurité en établissement)
(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. PEDERSEN –

(No. 18) – The Labour Relations Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les relations du travail
(Recommended by Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR THURSDAY:

Hon. Mr. CULLEN –

(No. 20) – The Courts Modernization Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi modifiant diverses lois en
matière de modernisation des tribunaux

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE NEXT TUESDAY OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Mr. SMOOK – FleetNet Replacement

3. WHEREAS the former NDP Provincial Government neglected the province's emergency communications system resulting in frequent failures; and

WHEREAS the former NDP Provincial Government was warned as far back as 2008 that FleetNet was obsolete and would soon need to be replaced, but took no action making Manitoba the last jurisdiction in North America to upgrade to a modern system; and

WHEREAS replacement parts for the FleetNet system have not been manufactured since 2003, and public safety organisations were forced to source replacement parts on online auction websites such as EBay; and

WHEREAS in October 2012, the previous NDP Provincial Government was notified that a decision to upgrade the communication system needed to be made and there was still no course of action taken; and

WHEREAS the health and safety of all Manitobans was threatened by the critical planning and failing of the previous NDP Provincial Government because it placed its own agenda above the constituents of Manitoba; and

WHEREAS FleetNet suffered a major outage at the peak of the 2012 fire season; and

WHEREAS under transition from the former NDP Provincial Government there was no mention about the outdated FleetNet communication system and the immediate need to replace it; and

WHEREAS after 17 years of the NDP tearing down Manitoba, the current Provincial Government indicated it was here to rebuild by announcing a contract for a new public safety communications system that will replace FleetNet, along with the VHF radio system used by conservation officers and wildland firefighters; and

WHEREAS the Premier cited the increased time to repair each incident from accumulative 700 hours in 2012 to more than 1,000 hours to date in 2016, threatened the ability of front line workers to interoperate when responding to emergencies; and

WHEREAS the new system will include radios with GPS, which can track the location of first responders to improve their safety, while incorporating advanced encryption to ensure police operations are secure and the system is compatible with those used by agencies outside of Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government's tendering process led to costs coming in below forecast.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba congratulate the current Provincial Government on making an improvement to the provincial public safety communications technology system.
