

Tuesday, March 17, 2026



PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 207) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Reporting When Timely Care Not Available)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l'obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé (communication de renseignements en cas d'impossibilité de fournir des soins en temps opportun)

(MLA DELA CRUZ – 7 minutes)

Mrs. STONE –

(No. 211) – The Budget Bill Public Accountability Act/Loi sur la participation du public quant aux lois budgétaires

(Hon. Min. MOYES – 9 minutes)

MLA LOISELLE –

(No. 218) – The Climate Action Month Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur le Mois de lutte contre les changements climatiques (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

(Mr. WHARTON – 7 minutes)

Mr. NARTH –

(No. 222) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Speed Limits on Provincial Roads)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (limites de vitesse sur les routes provinciales secondaires)

(Mr. BLASHKO – 7 minutes)

Mr. BLASHKO –

(No. 230) – The Moose Hide Campaign Day Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Journée de la Campagne Moose Hide (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

(Ms. BYRAM – 8 minutes)

MLA CROSS –

(No. 231) – The Indigenous Heritage Month Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine autochtone (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

(Ms. BYRAM – 1 minute)

SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 204) – The Timely Construction of Residential Housing Act/Loi sur la construction de logements résidentiels en temps opportun

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 205) – The Milk Prices Review Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le contrôle du prix du lait

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 206) – The Specialist Wait Time Reporting Act/Loi sur la présentation de rapports concernant les temps d'attente pour la consultation de spécialistes

Mrs. HIEBERT –

(No. 208) – The Retail Sales Tax Amendment Act (Farmer's Identification Number)/Loi modifiant la Loi de la taxe sur les ventes au détail (numéro d'identification d'agriculteur)

Mr. JOHNSON –

(No. 209) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act (Net-Metering Agreements)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba (ententes de facturation nette)

Mr. JOHNSON –

(No. 210) – The Criminal Trespassers Act and Amendments to The Occupiers' Liability Act/Loi sur les intrus criminels et modification de la Loi sur la responsabilité des occupants

Mr. PERCHOTTE –

(No. 212) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Stalking-Related Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas de harcèlement criminel)

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 213) – The Earlier Screening for Breast Cancer Act/Loi sur l’abaissement du seuil d’admissibilité au dépistage systématique du cancer du sein

Mr. SCHULER –

(No. 214) – The Official Time Amendment Act, 2025/Loi de 2025 modifiant la Loi sur le temps réglementaire

Mr. WOWCHUK –

(No. 215) – The Wildlife Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune

Mr. EWASKO –

(No. 220) – The School Bus Seat Belt Safety Act/Loi sur les ceintures de sécurité dans les autobus scolaires

Mr. EWASKO –

(No. 221) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Increased Penalties for Passing School Buses)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (peines accrues en cas de dépassement d’autobus scolaire)

Mrs. STONE –

(No. 223) – The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les élections municipales et scolaires

Mr. BALCAEN –

(No. 224) – The Residency Requirements for Elections Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la période de résidence donnant le droit de participer à des élections (modification de diverses lois)

Mr. BALCAEN –

(No. 225) – The Deaf Awareness Week and Day of Sign Languages Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Semaine de sensibilisation à la surdité et la Journée des langues des signes (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

Mrs. STONE –

(No. 226) – The Catholic Schools Week Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Semaine des écoles catholiques (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

Mr. BALCAEN –

(No. 227) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impaired Driving Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas d’infractions de conduite avec facultés affaiblies)

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 228) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act (Distribution of Surplus Funds)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail (distribution des fonds excédentaires)

Mrs. HIEBERT –

(No. 229) – The Christian Heritage Month Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine chrétien (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

MLA LAMOUREUX –

(No. 232) – The Autism Strategy Act/Loi sur la stratégie sur l'autisme

RESOLUTION:

MLA LAMOUREUX – Recognizing ANCOP’s Contributions in Uplifting Vulnerable Families, Strengthening Communities, and Fostering a Culture of Compassion

6. WHEREAS ANCOP, which stands for “ANswer the Cry Of the Poor”, is a Canadian-based, home-grown corporation, duly registered as a not-for-profit organization that operates globally and continues to transform lives through acts of kindness and generosity in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS ANCOP is a call to action, not merely a slogan, demonstrated annually by the efforts of thousands of members, volunteers, and supporters to raise funds for the poorest of the poor, helping to provide education, housing, and sustainable programs through its regular annual campaigns with Lenten Journey, ANCOP Walk, and Give Love; and

WHEREAS ANCOP supports children’s education to unlock potential, strengthens communities, and delivers various forms of humanitarian relief to break the cycle of poverty; and

WHEREAS ANCOP operates three main pillar programs that directly support families in need; and

WHEREAS the Education Sponsorship Program is a one-to-one, sponsor-to-scholar relationship providing for a total program benefit package that includes education, healthcare, and socio-cultural-spiritual enhancement for both sponsored children and their parents; and

WHEREAS the Community Development Program is focused on building modest but durable homes equipped with functioning water, electricity, and drainage; and

WHEREAS the Humanitarian Relief Program offers disaster relief through financial aid, material goods, and home repair support; and

WHEREAS ANCOP promotes volunteerism, servant leadership, and community engagement by mobilizing families, individuals, youth, professionals, businesses, and both faith-based and community organizations to uphold human dignity and restore hope to the underprivileged; and

WHEREAS ANCOP's initiatives not only meet immediate material needs but also empower individuals and families toward long-term self-sufficiency through values formation, education, and consistent community support; and

WHEREAS ANCOP, as a social ministry of Couples for Christ, collaborates with the Vickar Automotive Group, and other partners in Manitoba, to expand its reach and deepen its impact on families in need.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba recognize and commend ANCOP International Canada Incorporated, and ANCOP Winnipeg, along with its leaders, members, volunteers, and supporters, for their dedication to uplifting vulnerable families, strengthening communities, and fostering compassion through education, housing, and humanitarian programs.

DEBATE ON RESOLUTIONS:

1. Mr. NARTH – Affordability and the Economy
(Hon. Min. MOROZ – 2 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
 2. MLA REDHEAD – Advancing Manitoba's Economic Future through Provincial-Federal Collaboration in Churchill
(Ms. BYRAM – 3 minutes/125 minutes remaining)
 3. Mrs. COOK – Calling on Provincial Government to Launch Public Inquiry on Deaths in Emergency Rooms
(Mr. BLASHKO – 5 minutes/126 minutes remaining)
 4. MLA COMPTON – Women's Health in Manitoba
(Mrs. HIEBERT – 9 minutes/124 minutes remaining)
 5. Mrs. STONE – Calling on the Provincial Government to Increase the Personal Tax Exemption
(MLA DELA CRUZ – 6 minutes/123 minutes remaining)
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ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 7) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l'obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé

Hon. Mr. BUSHIE –

(No. 12) – The Manitoba Crown-Indigenous Corporation Act/Loi sur la Société Couronne-Autochtones du Manitoba

Hon. Min. FONTAINE –

(No. 22) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act (Indigenous Jurisdiction)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille (champ de compétence autochtone)

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 24) – The Public Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé publique

Hon. Mr. BUSHIE –

(No. 25) – The Fisheries Amendment, Forest Amendment and Wildlife Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la pêche, la Loi sur les forêts et la Loi sur la conservation de la faune

Hon. Min. MOROZ –

(No. 51) – The Public Sector Artificial Intelligence and Cybersecurity Governance Act/Loi sur la gouvernance de l'intelligence artificielle et de la cybersécurité au sein du secteur public

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 200) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Sick Notes)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (attestations médicales)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 201) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Right to Religious Observance)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (droit d'accommodement pour observance religieuse)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 202) – The Financial Administration Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gestion des finances publiques

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 203) – The Correctional Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services correctionnels

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 216) – The Elections Amendment Act (Election Day on Saturday)/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale (jour du scrutin fixé à un samedi)

MLA DELA CRUZ –

(No. 217) – The Celebration of Philippine Independence Day Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Journée de la célébration de l'indépendance des Philippines (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

Mr. WHARTON –

(No. 219) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment and Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Corporation Amendment Act (Expanding Liquor Retail)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis et la Loi sur la Société manitobaine des alcools et des loteries (vente au détail d'une gamme élargie de boissons alcoolisées)

Mrs. COOK –

(No. 233) – The Municipal Assessment Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'évaluation municipale

MLA LOISELLE –

(No. 300) – The Winnipeg Foundation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Fondation dénommée « The Winnipeg Foundation »

MLA COMPTON –

(No. 301) – The Westminster United Church Foundation Incorporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi constituant en corporation la « Westminster United Church Foundation »

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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ORAL QUESTIONS

PETITIONS

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Mr. GOERTZEN
Mr. GUENTER
Mrs. HIEBERT
Mr. JOHNSON
Mr. KHAN
Mr. KING
MLA LAGASSÉ
MLA LAMOUREUX
Mr. NARTH
Mr. NESBITT
Mr. PERCHOTTE
Mr. PIWNIUK
Mrs. ROBBINS
Mr. SCHULER
Mrs. STONE
M. WHARTON
Mr. WOWCHUK

GRIEVANCES

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ETHICS REPORT MOTION:

THAT the Legislative Assembly accept the findings regarding the Honourable Member for The Maples in the Conclusion of the Report of the Ethics Commissioner dated December 4, 2025.

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Min. FONTAINE –

(No. 6) – The Sign Languages Recognition Act/Loi sur la reconnaissance des langues des signes
(Ms. BYRAM – 27 minutes)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 8) – The Long-Bladed Weapon Control Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des armes à lame longue

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 9) – The Street Weapons Control Act/Loi sur la réglementation des armes de rue

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 11) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Sick Notes for Employee Absences)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (notes du médecin en cas d'absence d'un employé)

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 13) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 14) – The Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les divulgations faites dans l'intérêt public (protection des divulgateurs d'actes répréhensibles)

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 15) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur

Hon. Ms. SMITH –

(No. 16) – The Mental Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé mentale

Hon. Min. MOYES –

(No. 18) – The Waste Reduction and Prevention Amendment Act (Strengthening Enforcement)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réduction du volume et de la production des déchets (renforcement de l'application de la Loi)

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN –

(No. 19) – The Animal Care Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le soin des animaux
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 20) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’Hydro-Manitoba

Hon. Min. MOYES –

(No. 21) – The Drinking Water Safety Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la qualité de l’eau potable

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 26) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Eliminating Mandatory Overtime for Nurses)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l’obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé (fin de l’imposition d’heures supplémentaires aux infirmiers)

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 27) – The Declaration of Principles for Patient Health Care Act and Amendments to The Health System Governance and Accountability Act/Loi sur la déclaration de principes sur les soins de santé offerts aux patients et modification de la Loi sur la gouvernance et l’obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 28) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Nurse-to-Patient Ratios)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l’obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé (ratios infirmier-malade)

Hon. Min. CABLE –

(No. 29) – The University of Winnipeg Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’Université de Winnipeg

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 32) – The Improving Access to Breast Cancer Screening Act/Loi visant à améliorer l’accès au dépistage du cancer du sein

Hon. Mr. SIMARD –

(No. 33) – The Planning Amendment and City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’aménagement du territoire et la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 34) – The Interprovincial Subpoena Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les subpoenas interprovinciaux

Hon. Min. CABLE –

(No. 35) – The Adult Learning Centres Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les centres d'apprentissage pour adultes

Hon. Min. FONTAINE –

(No. 36) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille

Hon. Min. MOYES –

(No. 37) – The Environmental Statutes Amendment Act/Loi modifiant diverses lois en matière d'environnement

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 38) – The Public Schools Amendment and Manitoba School Boards Association Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques et la Loi sur l'Association des commissions scolaires du Manitoba

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 39) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment and Tax Administration and Miscellaneous Taxes Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba et la Loi sur l'administration des impôts et des taxes et divers impôts et taxes

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 40) – The Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale

Hon. Min. KENNEDY –

(No. 41) – The Promoting Inclusion in Amateur Sport Act/Loi sur la promotion de l'inclusion dans le sport amateur

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 42) – The Motor Vehicle Statutes Amendment Act/Loi modifiant diverses lois en matière de véhicules automobiles

Hon. Min. NAYLOR –

(No. 43) – The Highway Traffic Amendment and Drivers and Vehicles Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code de la route et la Loi sur les conducteurs et les véhicules

Hon. Min. CABLE –

(No. 45) – The Yellowquill University College Act and Amendments to The Advanced Education Administration Act/Loi sur le Yellowquill University College et modification de la Loi sur l’administration de l’enseignement postsecondaire

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. MOSES –

(No. 47) – The Apprenticeship and Certification Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’apprentissage et la reconnaissance professionnelle

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS:

Hon. Min. FONTAINE –

THAT the Assembly reaffirms its respect and support for the caretaker convention and respect of the democratic will of the voters of Manitoba.

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The Standing Committee on JUSTICE will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on March 18, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on March 18, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in the Chamber, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Friday, April 10, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. to consider the Auditor General’s Report – Managing IT Security for Remote Access dated March 2024.

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The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in the Chamber, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Friday, April 10, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. to consider the following reports referred:

- Auditor General's Report – Follow-Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated March 2023
 - Vital Statistics Agency
- Auditor General's Report – Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated February 2025
 - Vital Statistics Agency

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The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in the Chamber, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Friday, May 15, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. to consider the following reports referred:

- Annual Report and Public Accounts of the Province of Manitoba for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024
- Auditor General's Report – Public Accounts and Other Financial Statement Audits dated December 2024
- Annual Report and Public Accounts of the Province of Manitoba for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025
- Auditor General's Report – Public Accounts and Other Financial Statement Audits dated December 2025
- Auditor General's Report – Follow-up of Recommendations dated March 2019
 - Keyask Process Costs and Adverse Effects Agreements with First Nations
- Auditor General's Report – Follow-up of Recommendations dated March 2020
 - Keyask Process Costs and Adverse Effects Agreements with First Nations
 - Public Accounts and Other Financial Statements Audits

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The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in the Chamber, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Friday, May 15, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. to consider the following reports referred:

- Auditor General's Report – Investigations Report dated August 2021
 - Shellmouth Dam Compensation Program
- Auditor General's Report – Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated February 2024
 - Investigations Report: Shellmouth Dam Compensation Program
- Auditor General's Report – Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated February 2026
 - Investigations Report: Shellmouth Dam Compensation Program