

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 30

THIRD SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER 10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 217).
Mr. EICHLER moved:
THAT Bill (No. 217) – The Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Heritage Act/Loi sur la chasse, la pêche sportive et le piégeage patrimoniaux, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.
And a debate arising,
And Mr. Eichler, Hon. Mr. Struthers, Messrs. Briese, Nevakshonoff, Dyck, Jennissen, and Hawranik having spoken,
And Mr. DEWAR speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.
In accordance with Rule 31(9), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Lack of a Long Term Plan for Manitoba's Economic Growth Resolution will be considered next Thursday, April 30, 2009.
Mr. HAWRANIK moved:
Resolution No. 3: Manitoba's Growing Debt is a Worrisome Liability

WHEREAS Manitoba's provincial debt is growing at a dangerous pace which places an unfair burden on future generations; and

WHEREAS provinces to the west of Manitoba have reduced provincial debt in the last ten years while Manitoba's debt has grown; and

WHEREAS in the last year Manitoba's debt has grown by more than 10% or over \$1 billion; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government is reducing the amount of debt it is legally bound to repay annually; and

WHEREAS Manitoba's provincial debt per capita is more than eight times higher than the debt per capita of the residents of British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan combined; and

WHEREAS Manitoba's growing provincial debt will have a negative impact on the province's economy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to acknowledge that Manitoba requires an effective plan for debt repayment that it abides by each year with the ultimate goal of achieving debt-free status.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. HAWRANIK, Hon. Mr. RONDEAU, Mr. BOROTSIK, Hon. Messrs. SELINGER and BLAIKIE and Mr. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And Mr. DEWAR speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were respectively read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 22) – The Cooperatives Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les coopératives (Hon. Mr. SELINGER)

(No. 24) – The Colleges Amendment and Le Collège Universitaire de Saint-Boniface Amendment Act (College Degrees)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les collèges et la Loi sur le Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface (grades des collèges)

(Hon. Ms. McGifford)

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. DYCK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Health to strongly consider giving priority for funding to develop and staff a new 100 bed long-term-care facility so that clients are not exposed to unsafe conditions and so that Boundary Trails Health Centre beds remain available for acute care patients instead of waiting placement clients. (L. Bueckert, S. Dyck, B. Hildebrand and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Premier and the NDP Government to call a meeting of a Standing Committee of the Legislature and invite representatives of the WRHA to appear before it. (M. Dnistransky, R. Dnistransky, R. Garcea and others)

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to consider upgrading the Ring Dike Road at Ste. Rose du Lac into a Provincial Road and to consider upgrading the Ring Dike Road at the same time that work is being done at the junction of PTH 68 and PTH 5. (H. Thwaites, J. Penner, R. Hunter and others)
During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and requested that the words "lies from the Minister" spoken by the Honourable Member for Inkster be withdrawn.
WHEREUPON Mr. LAMOUREUX withdrew his remarks.
Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. BLADY, Mr. GRAYDON, Hon. Ms. ALLAN and Messrs. FAURSCHOU and MARTINDALE made Members' Statements.
The House resolving into Committee of Supply. The Proceedings were interrupted at 5:00 p.m. with the understanding that the Committee of Supply would resume Friday, April 24, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.
And the House continuing in Committee of Supply. The Proceedings, by leave, were temporarily interrupted to permit Mr. Speaker to resume the Chair.
By unanimous consent, the sequence for consideration of Estimates in the Chamber, as outlined in Sessional Paper No. 39 tabled on April 15, 2009, was further amended by setting aside the Estimates for the Department of Culture, Heritage, Tourism and Sport to finish the Estimates for the Department of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs, starting this morning, April 24, 2009, with the understanding that once Aboriginal and Northern Affairs is completed, the sequence will revert back to Culture, Heritage, Tourism and Sport.
And the House continuing in Committee of Supply.
The House then adjourned at 12:32 p.m., Friday, April 24, 2009 until 1:30 p.m., Monday, April 27, 2009.
Hon. George HICKES, Speaker.