

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider working with the Interlake Regional Health Authority to provide midwifery services to women in this health region. (D. Chezick, A. Monkman, S. Asham and others)

Mr. DYCK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to ensure that patients who are awaiting placement in a personal care home are not moved to distant communities and to consider working with the RHA and the community to speed construction and expansion of long term care facilities in the region. (C. Wiens, H. Klassen, N. Klassen and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Transportation consider the immediate installation of traffic signals at the intersection of PTH #15 and Highway #206 in Dugald and to recognize the value of the lives and well-being of the students and citizens of Manitoba. (K. Swerdelian, G. Bannerman, A. Bannerman 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. (H. Janssen, G. Janssen, S. Offel and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider prioritizing the needs of these communities by ensuring they have access to a family doctor and to consider promptly increasing the use of nurse practitioners in these communities in order to improve access to quality health care. (V. Ross, L. Breland, K. Brasseur and others)

Mrs. STEFANSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Conservation to consider acknowledging that more timely action should have been taken to address the shortcomings with the lagoons in the Whiteshell Provincial Park in order to protect the environment and to consider immediately developing and implementing short and long-term strategies to address them. (R. Duerksen, D. Moffat, T. Price and others)

Mr. MAGUIRE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Health to consider increasing the number of doctors and nurses in the Virden and District Hospital to ensure stable quality health care for the Virden Catchment Area and to consider establishing a walk-in clinic in the Virden and District Hospital and to consider developing a specialized health care service for the Virden and District Hospital and to consider reopening the Virden and District Hospital operating room. (B. Johnston, J. Chapman, M. Girardin and others)

Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK presented:

Annual Report of the Civil Service Commission for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009. (Sessional Paper No. 124)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Securities Commission for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009. (Sessional Paper No. 125)

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK presented:

Annual Report of the Chief Judge of the Provincial Court Concerning Complaints about Judicial Conduct for the year ending December 31, 2008.

(Sessional Paper No. 126)

Annual Report of The Discriminatory Business Practices Act for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 127)

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU presented:

Annual Report of Green Manitoba Eco Solutions for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009. (Sessional Paper No. 128)

Annual Report of the Department of Science, Technology, Energy and Mines for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 129)

Hon. Ms. MELNICK presented:

Annual Report of The Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 130)

During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and requested that the words "Member for hot air" spoken by the Honourable First Minister be withdrawn.

WHEREUPON Hon. Mr. DOER withdrew his remarks.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. BLADY, Mrs. MITCHELSON, Ms. BRAUN, Mrs. TAILLIEU and Ms. BRICK made Members' Statements.

The Order of the Day having been read for consideration of Report Stage Amendment of Bill (No. 36) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act (Enhanced Compensation for Catastrophic Injuries)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba (majoration de l'indemnisation en cas de lésions catastrophiques), reported from the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs:

Mr. GRAYDON moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended in Clause 14 by striking out the proposed subsection 137.1(4).

And Messrs. GRAYDON, GOERTZEN, CULLEN and PEDERSEN having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

Mr. GRAYDON then moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended in Clause 16 in the proposed clause 169(1)(b) by striking out ", unless the decision is about a matter under section 137.1".

And Mr. GRAYDON having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

Mr. GRAYDON then moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended by striking out Clause 17.

And Messrs. GRAYDON, MAGUIRE and GOERTZEN having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

Mr. GRAYDON then moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended by striking out Clause 18.

And Messrs. GRAYDON and GOERTZEN having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

Mr. GRAYDON then moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended by striking out Clause 19.

And Messrs. GRAYDON and BOROTSIK having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

Mr. GRAYDON then moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended by replacing Clause 22(4) with the following:

22(4) Subsection 131(2), as enacted by section 11 of this Act, applies in respect of expenses for personal home assistance incurred by a victim on or after January 1, 2004.

And Mr. GRAYDON having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

Mr. GRAYDON then moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended in Clause 23(2) by striking out "retroactive to the day that this Act receives royal assent or the day on which the victim became entitled to the indemnity or benefit, whichever is later" and substituting the following:

retroactive

(a) to the day that this Act receives royal assent, or, in the case of a benefit under subsection 131(2), to January 1, 2004; or

(b) to the day on which the victim became entitled to the indemnity or benefit;

whichever is later.

And Mr. GRAYDON having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

By leave, Mr. GRAYDON then moved:

THAT Bill 36 be amended in Schedule 4 by adding the following after the proposed clause 1(d):

(d.1) a functional alteration of the brain that results in symptoms and deficits so severe and disabling as to seriously and continuously impair the person's quality of life or ability to engage in activities of daily living, where these symptoms have persisted for at least two years and in the opinion of the person's treating physician are not expected to improve;

And Mr. GRAYDON, Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK and Mr. DERKACH having spoken,

And the Question being put on the amendment. It was negatived, on division.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 16) – The Police Services Act/Loi sur les services de police, as amended and reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, and subsequently amended, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK, Messrs. GOERTZEN and LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 8) – The Civil Service Superannuation Amendment Act (Enhanced Manitoba Hydro Employee Benefits and Other Amendments)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la pension de la fonction publique (prestations améliorées à l'intention des employés d'Hydro-Manitoba et autres modifications), reported from the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs, be concurred in and be now read for a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK, Messrs. BOROTSIK and LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

The House then adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 6, 2009.

Hon. George HICKES, Speaker.