

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

(No. 26) – The Accessibility for Manitobans Act/Loi sur l'accessibilité pour les Manitobains (Hon. Ms. HOWARD)

(No. 29) – The Land Surveyors and Related Amendments Act/Loi sur les arpenteurs-géomètres et modifications connexes

(Hon. Mr. RONDEAU)

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. WISHART – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the appropriate Ministers of the Provincial Government consider repairing St. Ambroise Provincial Park and its access points to their preflood conditions so the park can be re-opened for the 2013 season or earlier if possible. (D. McKay, L. Allard, K. Stephens and others)

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Local Government afford local governments the respect they deserve and reverse his decision to force municipalities with fewer than 1,000 constituents to amalgamate. (G. Zimmer, P. Neuhofer, M. Nermberg and others)

Mr. EWASKO – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to recognize the serious safety concerns of Provincial Road 520 and to address its poor condition by prioritizing its renewal. (N. Slessor, G. Safinuk, M. Wiese and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Local Government afford local governments the respect they deserve and reverse his decision to force municipalities with fewer than 1,000 constituents to amalgamate. (B. Mitchell, W. Sunley, J. Young and others)

Mr. CALDWELL – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to amend the Act to change the Foundation's name to The Brandon Area Community Foundation Inc., and to replace the process for appointment of the Foundation's directors with the requirement that the directors be appointed or elected in accordance with the Foundation's by-laws, and to change the minimum number of directors from nine to six; and to replace the requirement to publish the auditor's report with the requirement to make the annual audit available to the public. (J. Millis, P. D. Sullivan, R. Swayze and others)

Hon. Ms. OSWALD presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2013-2014 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Health

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Mr. PEDERSEN, Ms. BLADY, Messrs. CULLEN and CALDWELL and Hon. Mr. GERRARD made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that the Rural CancerCare Hubs Resolution will be considered next Tuesday, April 30, 2013.

The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS:

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

And the proposed amendment moved by Mr. PALLISTER as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after "House" and substituting:

therefore regrets this budget fails to address the priorities of Manitobans by:

- a) ignoring the taxpayer protection laws that safeguard Manitoba families; and
- b) saddling Manitoba families with crushing and unnecessary taxes that don't allow them to prosper and save for the future; and
- c) failing to tame a \$500 million structural deficit created through 13 years of overspending; and
- d) failing to promise a full and transparent review of all Provincial Government spending; and
- e) failing to control growth of low spending priorities such as advertising and vote taxes; and
- f) stifling economic growth and prosperity through excessive red tape and unwarranted taxation.

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

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Messrs. EICHLER, PETTERSEN and SMOOK, Ms. BLADY, Mr. MAGUIRE, Hon. Mr. CHIEF and Mr. GOERTZEN having spoken.

And Hon. Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25, 2013.

Hon. Daryl REID, Speaker.