

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 35

SECOND SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER 10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

In accordance with Rule 31(9), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Manitoba Hydro Rate Hikes Resolution will be considered next Thursday, May 9, 2013.

Mrs. STEFANSON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 202) – The Increased Transparency and Accountability Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la transparence et la responsabilité (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. Stefanson, Hon. Mr. Struthers, Mr. Goertzen, Ms. Wight and Mr. Cullen having spoken,

And Mr. MALOWAY speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

Mrs. Driedger moved:

Resolution No. 4: Provincial Taxation Broken Promises

WHEREAS the Provincial Government promised in the last election to deliver a balanced budget with no tax increases; and

WHEREAS the Premier vowed in the 2011 provincial election that no tax increases would occur in his mandate; and

WHEREAS since the 2011 election the Provincial Government expanded and increased taxes and fees by over \$500 million per year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to acknowledge that it is guilty of breaking its promise not to increase taxes on Manitobans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to stop increasing the burden of taxation on Manitoba families.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. DRIEDGER, Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS, Mrs. STEFANSON and Messrs. ALLUM, HELWER and MALOWAY 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.

On motion of Hon. Mr. RONDEAU, Bill (No. 35) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act (Compliance and Enforcement Measures)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur (observation et exécution), was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

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. (B. Prefontaine, R. Downing, R. Scharf 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. (G. Goulet, R. Sylvester, T. Proctor and others)

Mr. GRAYDON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to repair or replace the existing bridge as soon as possible to allow communities on both sides of the river to return to regular activities. (L. Roy, A. Reid, M. Bouchard and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Minister responsible for Manitoba Hydro create a complete and transparent "Needs For And Alternatives To" review of Manitoba Hydro's total capital development plan to ensure the financial viability of Manitoba Hydro. (D. Cimarno, C. Cure, J. Leveros and others)

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 request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation 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. (B. Monkman, D. Guyot, G. Guyot and others)

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (K. Adams, R. Preteau, J. Reys and others)

- Mr. FRIESEN Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Minister responsible for Manitoba Hydro create a complete and transparent "Needs For And Alternatives To" review of Manitoba Hydro's total capital development plan to ensure the financial viability of Manitoba Hydro. (D. Loeppky, A. Fehr, L. Janzen and others)
- Mrs. MITCHELSON Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (G. Thompson, M. Savage, R. Parker and others)
- Mr. SMOOK Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (K. Fedoruk, E. Unrau, S. Murray and others)
- Mr. Cullen Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (B. Malton, R. Book, S. Bjornson and others)
- Mr. EICHLER Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (S. Kendrick, K. Calden, S. Romancere 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. (K. Chescu, B. Chescu, J. Slobozian 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. (R. Unger, H. Unger, A. Rempel and others)
- Mrs. DRIEDGER Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (G. Partridge, B. Gainor, B. Graham and others)
- Mr. Helwer Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (M. R. Bird, L. Bird, N. Bergen and others)
- Mr. MAGUIRE Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (E. Harrison, J. Ransom, W. Ireland and others)
- Mr. STEFANSON Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (R. Fuller, V. Fuller, M. Pulf and others)

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Hon. Mr. ASHTON, the Minister responsible for Emergency Measures, made a statement regarding the status of flooding in Manitoba.

Mr. EICHLER and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Mrs. DRIEDGER, Ms. BLADY, Messrs. FRIESEN and GAUDREAU and Ms. CROTHERS made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 27, Mr. GRAYDON rose on a Grievance.

Mr. Speaker advised the House that notice had been received from the Leader of the Official Opposition that he had designated his unlimited speaking time to speak on Bill (No. 9) – The Teachers' Society Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Association des enseignants du Manitoba, to the Honourable Member for Steinbach.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. ALLAN:

THAT Bill (No. 9) – The Teachers' Society Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Association des enseignants du Manitoba, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. GOERTZEN having spoken,

During the debate, Hon. Mr. GERRARD rose on a point of order regarding quality of answers provided by the Ministers in question period.

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled that there was no point of order.

From his decision, Mr. GOERTZEN appealed to the House,

And the Question being put, "Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?" It was agreed to, on the following division:

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YEA

ALLAN MACKINTOSH ALLUM MALOWAY MARCELINO (Logan) ALTEMEYER MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) ASHTON **BJORNSON** MELNICK NEVAKSHONOFF **BLADY** OSWALD **BRAUN CHIEF ROBINSON CHOMIAK** RONDEAU SARAN **CROTHERS** SWAN **DEWAR** GAUDREAU WHITEHEAD HOWARD WIEBE WIGHT......29 Kostyshyn LEMIEUX NAY **BRIESE** MAGUIRE MITCHELSON **CULLEN DRIEDGER PALLISTER EICHLER PEDERSEN EWASKO ROWAT** FRIESEN SCHULER **GERRARD S**MOOK **GOERTZEN S**TEFANSON **HELWER** WISHART......18 The debate was allowed to remain in the name of Mr.GOERTZEN.

The House then adjourned at 5:51 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 6, 2013.

Hon. Daryl REID, Speaker.