

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

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

THAT Bill (No. 203) – The Participation of Manitoba in the New West Partnership Act/Loi sur la participation du Manitoba au nouveau partenariat de l'Ouest, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mr. PETTERSEN,

And Hon. Mr. RONDEAU, Messrs. EICHLER and NEVAKSHONOFF, Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK and Mr. PEDERSEN having spoken,

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

Mr. PEDERSEN moved:

Resolution No. 10: 4-H

WHEREAS the 4-H movement began in Canada in 1913 in Roland, MB, which is home to the only 4-H museum; and

WHEREAS 4-H clubs operate across Canada with 35,000 members and 10,000 volunteer leaders, as well as seven million members in eighty countries around the world; and

WHEREAS the 4-H movement is renowned for fostering personal development and building leaders in our communities; and

WHEREAS 4-H clubs have evolved from an agricultural base to a wide variety of skill sets for both rural and urban young people.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitoba Legislative Assembly recognize Roland, Manitoba as truly being the home of the 4-H program on its 100th anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manitoba Legislative Assembly recognize the tremendous contribution 4-H has made for young people, volunteer leaders and the communities it serves; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Provincial Government, through Manitoba Agriculture Food and Rural Initiatives, be urged to continue to support the 4-H program to ensure its continued success.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. PEDERSEN, Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN, Mr. EICHLER, Ms. WIGHT, Mr. BRIESE, Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS and Messrs. GRAYDON, MAGUIRE, CALDWELL, SMOOK and WISHART having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to, unanimously.

In accordance with Rule 31(9), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Declining Emergency Health Care in Manitoba Resolution will be considered next Thursday, May 30, 2013.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN, Bill (No. 46) – The Statutes Correction and Minor Amendments Act, 2013/Loi corrective de 2013, was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (J. Sawatzky, M. Sawatzky, B. Klassen and others)

Mr. WISHART – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (E. Bourbonnais, R. Helda, M. Lafreniere and others)

Mr. EWASKO – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (M. Gobel, M. True, H. Miles and others)

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (D. Temblay, D. Simard, M. Fouillard 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. (J. R. Didychuk, D. Donowalchuk, A. Alkouir and others)

Mr. GRAYDON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (G. Lange, C. Bueckart, L. Rodewald and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (T. Bredir, K. Fedora, M. Kroker and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (L. Hildebrand, H. Boschmann, M. Fehr and others)

Mrs. MITCHELSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (A. Comack, A. Estrada, T. Comack and others)

Mr. CULLEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (R. Gillis, A. Cuthbert, K. Gordon and others)

Mr. EICHLER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (L. Lampshire, A. Seidel, V. Williams 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. (J. Olfert, P. Goertzen, B. Goertzen and others)

Mr. MAGUIRE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (L. Keen, B. Peters, H. Hoeppner and others)

Mrs. STEFANSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (B. Spence, W. Friesen, D. Sager and others)

Mr. SMOOK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (A. Chubaty, V. Turick, D. Osadchuk and others)

Mr. HELWER – 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. (L. Koehn, R. Koehn, R. Dinair and others)

Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX presented:

Annual Report on French Language Services for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012. (Sessional Paper No. 43) Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. GAUDREAU and SMOOK, Ms. CROTHERS, Mr. EWASKO and Hon. Mr. BJORNSON made Members' Statements.

Prior to Grievances, Mr. EICHLER rose on a Matter of Urgent Public Importance and moved:

THAT in accordance with Rule 36(1), the regularly scheduled business of the House be set aside to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the provincial government's response to Country of Origin Labelling (COOL) and the apparent refusal of the United States to follow the World Trade Organization's ruling regarding this matter.

And Mr. EICHLER and Hon. Ms. HOWARD having spoken to the urgency of the motion,

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled as follows:

I thank the Honourable members for their advice to the Chair on whether the motion proposed by the Honourable Member for Lakeside should be debated today.

I would note that the notice required by Rule 36(1) was provided.

Under our rules and practices, the subject matter requiring urgent consideration must be so pressing that the public interest will suffer if the matter is not given immediate attention. There must also be no other reasonable opportunities to raise the matter.

I do not doubt that this matter is one that is of serious concern to all members of the House, as agriculture is an economic activity of vital importance to our province.

I have listened very carefully to the arguments put forward. However, I was not persuaded that the ordinary business of the House should be set aside to deal with this issue today.

I would like to note that there are other avenues for members to raise this issue, including questions in Question Period, and raising the item under Members' Statements or Grievances, and also during the estimates process.

Therefore, with the greatest of respect, I rule the motion is out of order as a matter of urgent public importance.

But I do note and reference the fact that there appears to be a willingness of the House to consider this matter as has been indicated that perhaps up to an hour in length. I would then therefore put the question to the House if there's a willingness to debate this matter for one hour. Mr. Speaker then put the Question, "Shall the debate proceed?" It was agreed to.

And a debate arising,

Mr. Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN, And EICHLER, Mr. GOERTZEN, Hon. Mr. BJORNSON, Messers, GRAYDON. NEVAKSHONOFF. WISHART. PEDERSEN. BRIESE and MAGUIRE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken.

The debate was terminated in accordance with Rule 36(6).

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that the Speaker would interrupt debate at 5:00 p.m. and call Second Reading of Bill Nos. 29, 35, 40, 32, 34, 39, 28, 45, 26, 31 and 44, with the understanding that The House would sit no later than 6:00 p.m.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed to waive quorum calls and defer any recorded votes arising in the House after 5:00 p.m. for Thursday, May 23, 2013.

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

THAT Bill (No. 20) – The Manitoba Building and Renewal Funding and Fiscal Management Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur le financement du renouvellement des infrastructures et la gestion financière (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

Mr. Speaker sought leave of the House to consider the Hoist amendment moved May 22, 2013 as it had been printed and leave was denied.

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled the Hoist motion out of order.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. MAGUIRE having spoken,

Mr. MAGUIRE moved an amendment as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by deleting all the words after the word "THAT" and substituting the following:

Bill (No. 20) – The Manitoba Building and Renewal Funding and Fiscal Management Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur le financement du renouvellement des infrastructures et la gestion financière (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be not now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six months hence.

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Mr. GOERTZEN speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU moved:

THAT Bill (No. 29) – The Land Surveyors and Related Amendments Act/Loi sur les arpenteursgéomètres et modifications connexes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. RONDEAU having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. CULLEN, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU moved:

THAT Bill (No. 35) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act (Compliance and Enforcement Measures)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur (observation et exécution), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. RONDEAU having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. CULLEN, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. RONDEAU moved:

THAT Bill (No. 40) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. RONDEAU having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. CULLEN, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS moved:

THAT Bill (No. 32) – The Manitoba Institute of the Purchasing Management Association of Canada Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Institut manitobain de l'Association canadienne de gestion des achats, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. DRIEDGER, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS moved:

THAT Bill (No. 34) – The Property Registry Statutes Amendment Act/Loi modifiant diverses lois relatives à l'Office d'enregistrement des titres et des instruments, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. DRIEDGER, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS presented:

Message from His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 34).

(Sessional Paper No. 44)

Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS moved:

THAT Bill (No. 39) – The Government Efficiency Act (Various Acts Amended or Replaced to Consolidate Boards and Agencies and Eliminate Government Appointments)/Loi sur l'efficacité gouvernementale (modification ou remplacement de diverses lois — fusion d'organismes et nonparticipation aux nominations), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House. (Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. EICHLER, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS presented:

Message from His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 39).

(Sessional Paper No. 45)

Hon. Ms. OSWALD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 28) – The Health Services Insurance Amendment and Hospitals Amendment Act (Admitting Privileges)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assurance-maladie et la Loi sur les hôpitaux (privilèges d'admission), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. OSWALD having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. FRIESEN, adjourned.

Hon. Ms. OSWALD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 45) – The Competitive Drug Pricing Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les médicaments à prix concurrentiel (modifications de diverses lois), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. OSWALD having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. FRIESEN, adjourned.

Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 26) – The Accessibility for Manitobans Act/Loi sur l'accessibilité pour les Manitobains, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. GOERTZEN, adjourned.

Hon. Ms. HOWARD presented:

Message from His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 26).

(Sessional Paper No. 46)

Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 31) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité et l'hygiène du travail, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. GOERTZEN, adjourned.

Hon. Ms. SELBY moved:

THAT Bill (No. 44) – The International Education Act/Loi sur l'éducation internationale, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. SELBY having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. BRIESE, adjourned.

Hon. Ms. SELBY presented:

Message from His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 44).

(Sessional Paper No. 47)

The House then adjourned at 5:49 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 27, 2013.

Hon. Daryl REID, Speaker.