



PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 203).

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 Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX, Mr. WISHART, Hon. Ms. OSWALD, Mrs. STEFANSON, Mr. JHA and Hon. Ms. ALLAN having spoken,

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

During the debate, Mrs. ROWAT rose on a point of order regarding the words "when are you coming out of the closet" allegedly spoken by the Minister of Innovation, Energy and Mines.

And Hon. Ms. OSWALD having spoken to the point of order,

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker informed the House he would take the matter under advisement.

Subsequently during the debate, Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK rose on a point of order and voluntarily apologized to the House if his comments had offended Members.

Mrs. MITCHELSON moved:

Resolution No. 21: Support for Manitoba Families with Autism

WHEREAS the Provincial Government broke a commitment to support families of children with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder, including timely diagnosis and access to necessary treatment such as Applied Behavioural Analysis also known as ABA Services; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government did not follow its own policy statement on autism services which notes the importance of early intervention for children with autism; and

WHEREAS the preschool waiting list for ABA Services has reached its highest level ever with at least 56 children waiting for services; and

WHEREAS the preschool waiting list is expected to exceed 70 children by September, 2013 despite commitments to reduce the list and provide timely access to services; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government policy of eliminating ABA Services in schools by grade five has caused many children in Manitoba to age out of the window for this very effective ABA treatment because of a lack of access; and

WHEREAS many more children are expected to age out of receiving ABA Services because of a lack of available treatment spaces; and

WHEREAS waiting lists and denials of treatment are unacceptable as no child should be denied access to or age out of eligibility for ABA Services.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba acknowledge that the Minister of Family Services and Labour and her predecessors have not provided proper supports to Manitoba families with autism; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to immediately request that the Minister of Family Services and Labour provide the necessary supports to Manitoba families seeking any form of autism treatment.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. MITCHELSON, Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mrs. ROWAT, Hon. Ms. ALLAN, Mr. BRIESE and Hon. Messrs. CHIEF and BJORNSON having spoken,

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

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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. (L. Sawatzky, E. Flores, M. Banman and others)

Mrs. MITCHELSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (F. Petrie, D. Meunier, J. Huggard and others)

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. (C. Sinclair, E. Purdy, S. Flanagan and others) Mr. EWASKO – 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. Hainiy, K. Grover, N. Guttormson 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. (M. Ramsey, D. Glenn, D. Kotch and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (H. Thiesen, M. Thiesen, J. Fenske and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (D. Blanchard, J. Blanchard, S. Bryden and others)

Mr. CULLEN – 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. (L. Berry, D. Coleman, G. Kelley and others)

Mr. EICHLER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (D. Evenson, D. Ogden, D. Laferriere and others)

Mrs. STEFANSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (T. Calder, S. Eakins, P. Klassen and others)

Mr. MAGUIRE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (L. Isleifson, R. Crighton, R. Robleski and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to consider the importance of reducing the speed limit on PTH 5 to 80 km/hour in the vicinity of the Town of Ste. Rose from the west side of the Turtle River bridge to the south side of the access to the Ste. Rose Auction Mart to help better protect motorist safety. (D. Shwaykosky, Y. Maguet, P. Taylor 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. (T. Leland-Young, N. Young, L. Sheane 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. (J. McCallister, D. McCallister, B. McCallister and others)

Mr. SMOOK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (N. Wychnenka, R. Derksen, V. Black and others)

Mr. FRIESEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (J. Guenther, M. Penner, M. Warkentine and others)

Mr. GRAYDON – 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. (M. Watson, J. Wright, P. Mawastyrsky and others)

Hon. Mr. BJORNSON presented:

Annual Report of The Manitoba Trade and Investment Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013.

(Sessional Paper No. 78)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Development Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013.

(Sessional Paper No. 79)

Annual Report of the Manitoba Opportunities Fund Limited for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013.

(Sessional Paper No. 80)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. WIGHT, Mrs. MITCHELSON, Ms. BLADY, Mr. BRIESE and Ms. CROTHERS made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 31(9), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Equal Access to Services for all Manitobans Resolution will be considered next Thursday, July 11, 2013.

By leave, the House reverted to Tabling of Reports.

Hon. Mr. MACINTOSH presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2013-2014 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Sustainable Development Innovations Fund.

(Sessional Paper No. 81)

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2013-2014 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Conservation and Water Stewardship.

(Sessional Paper No. 82)

The House resolved into Committee of Supply. The Proceedings were interrupted at 5:00 p.m. with the understanding that the Committee of Supply would resume Friday, July 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

The House then adjourned at 12:31 p.m. Friday, July 5, 2013 until 1:30 p.m. Monday, July 8, 2013.

Hon. Daryl REID, Speaker.