

### PRAYER

## 1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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. Finney, D. Geisel, G. McCaughen and others)

Mr. EWASKO – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation recognize that Cape Coppermine Road can no longer adequately serve both area residents and tourists and as such consider making improvements to the road to reflect its current use. (J. Adler, K. Swiderski, C. Ruiest and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (S. Rempel, P. Klippenstein, J. Wiebe and others)

Mrs. DRIEDGER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Family Services and Labour consider making funding available to address the current waiting list for ABA Services. (V. Sabiston, J. Wien, K. Petriew and others)

Mr. CULLEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (T. Haight, H. Sabad, H. Klassen and others)

Mr. EICHLER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to not raise the PST without holding a provincial referendum. (I. Mullan, J. McIntyre, D. Davies and others)

Mrs. STEFANSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Family Services and Labour consider making funding available to address the current waiting list for ABA Services. (E. Burelle, G. Carriere, G. Sawatzky and others)

Mr. MAGUIRE – 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. Rozzi, P. Best, B. Campbell and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (D. De Sousa, D. Ross, G. Ohlson and others)

Mrs. MITCHELSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to reopen Beausejour's Employment Manitoba office. (K. Pageot, D. Lafortune, L. Church and others)

Mr. HELWER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to re-open Beausejour's Employment Manitoba office. (G. Betkel, S. David, M. Bahde and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Family Services and Labour consider making funding available to address the current waiting list for ABA Services. (T. Martin, E. Osudar, N. Jacobsen and others)

Mr. SMOOK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (L. Malliaris, T. Malliaris, M. Naturkaclt and others)

Mr. FRIESEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (R. Linsangoln, M. Pabluwan, O. Orr and others)

Mr. GRAYDON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to acknowledge that the increase in the PST will significantly encourage cross border shopping and put additional strain on the retail sector, especially for those businesses located close to Manitoba's provincial borders and to urge the Provincial Government to reverse its PST increase to ensure Manitoba consumers can shop affordably in Manitoba and support local businesses. (J. Heppner, H. Elias, L. Friesen and others)

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Education consider making funding available to eliminate the current waiting list for ABA school age services and fund ABA Services for individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (A. Voth, J. Sieg, S. Matheson and others)

During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and requested that the word "asinine" spoken by the Leader of the Official Opposition be withdrawn.

WHEREUPON Mr. PALLISTER withdrew his remarks.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Mr. ALLUM, Mrs. DRIEDGER, Ms. BLADY, Mr. FRIESEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD made Members' Statements.

The Order of the Day having been read for consideration of Report Stage Amendment of 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), reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development:

Mrs. STEFANSON then moved:

THAT Bill 20 be amended by replacing the heading for Part 3 with "RETROACTIVE TAX INCREASE AND COMING INTO FORCE".

And a debate arising,

Mrs. STEFANSON and Mr. SMOOK having spoken,

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

### YEA

BRIESE	Helwer
Cullen	MAGUIRE
Driedger	MITCHELSON
Eichler	Pedersen
Ewasko	Rowat
Friesen	SCHULER
GERRARD	STEFANSON
GOERTZEN	WISHART17
GRAYDON	

ALLUM ALTEMEYER BJORNSON BLADY BRAUN CHIEF CHOMIAK CROTHERS DEWAR GAUDREAU HOWARD IRVIN-ROSS	MACKINTOSH MALOWAY MARCELINO (Logan) MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) MELNICK OSWALD PETTERSEN RONDEAU SARAN SELINGER STRUTHERS WHITEHEAD
IRVIN-ROSS	WHITEHEAD
JHA	WIEBE
Kostyshyn	WIGHT29
Lemieux	

# NAY

Mrs. STEFANSON then moved:

THAT Bill 20 be amended by replacing Clause 5(1) with the following:

Coming into force — section 1 5(1) Section 1 comes into force on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

And a debate arising,

Mrs. STEFANSON having spoken,

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

Mrs. STEFANSON then moved:

*THAT Bill 20 be amended by replacing the title with "THE PST INCREASE AND REFERENDUM ELIMINATION ACT".* 

And a debate arising,

Mrs. STEFANSON and Mr. WISHART having spoken,

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

Mrs. DRIEDGER then moved:

THAT Bill 20 be amended by adding the following after Clause 2(2):

2(2.1) The following is added after section 1.2 and before the centred heading that follows it:

### Study of impact of increased sales tax on the poor

**1.3(1)** Within one year after this section is enacted, the minister must cause an independent study to be conducted for the purpose of determining the impact of the increase in the general sales tax rate on poor and disadvantaged Manitobans.

### **Tabling study in Assembly**

**1.3(2)** The minister must table a copy of the study in the Assembly within 15 days after receiving it if the Assembly is sitting or, if it is not, within 15 days after the next sitting begins.

### Publishing study on government website

**1.3(3)** The minister must publish the study on a government website.

And a debate arising,

Mrs. DRIEDGER and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

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

The House then adjourned at 5:01 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, August 22, 2013.

Hon. Daryl REID, Speaker.