

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. GRAYDON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 205) – The Official Time Amendment Act (Daylight Saving Time Abolished)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le temps réglementaire (abolition de l'heure avancée), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. GRAYDON having spoken,

And Messrs. TEITSMA, SWAN, MICHALESKI and ISLEIFSON, Mrs. GUILLMARD and Mr. YAKIMOSKI having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Mr. WHARTON, Mr. SWAN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And the Question being put. Pursuant to Rule 23(7), the division was deferred to take place at 11:55 a.m. on Thursday, April 11, 2019.

Mr. TEITSMA moved:

Resolution No. 6: Reducing the PST

WHEREAS Manitobans work hard to support themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS the previous NDP Provincial Government made this more difficult for Manitobans by taking money from the kitchen table and putting it onto the cabinet table; and

WHEREAS the previous NDP Provincial Government ran on a promise to not increase the PST; and

WHEREAS the previous NDP Provincial Government broke its promise to Manitobans, increasing the PST without the required referendum, after first expanding the tax to everything from home insurance to haircuts; and

WHEREAS the previous NDP Provincial Government routinely failed to balance the budget and forecasted increasing deficits; and

WHEREAS the previous NDP Provincial Government demonstrated a pattern of spending more and getting less resulting in higher taxes, but lower quality service for Manitobans with the highest ER wait times in Canada, the highest ambulance fees in Canada, higher children in care, and education results last in the country in math, science and literacy; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government believes Manitobans deserve a break; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government ran on a promise to reduce the PST back to seven per cent; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government believes in fixing the finances, repairing the services, and rebuilding the economy; and

WHEREAS on March 7, 2019 the current Provincial Government kept the promise to Manitobans to reduce the PST back to 7%; and

WHEREAS a tax cut of this magnitude is the largest tax cut in Manitoba history, and will save Manitobans \$300 million annually; and

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government's reduction of the PST will save a family of four \$3,000 by the year 2024.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba congratulate all Manitobans for finally receiving their well deserved tax break when the PST is reduced to 7% on July 1, 2019.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. TEITSMA having spoken,

And Messrs. SWAN and MARTIN, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Messrs. SMITH (Southdale) and LAGIMODIERE having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. SWAN, Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN and Messrs. LAMONT and MARTIN having spoken,

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

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Hon. Mr. FIELDING presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Finance.

(Sessional Paper No. 27)

Hon. Mr. CULLEN presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Justice.

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

Hon. Mrs. COX, the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage, made a statement regarding Remembering the battle of Vimy Ridge.

Ms. FONTAINE and Mr. LAMONT commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Mr. MALOWAY, Hon. Mr. CULLEN and Messrs. SMOOK, LAMONT and REYES made Members' Statements.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. GRAYDON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to amend *The Official Time Act* to abolish daylight saving time in Manitoba effective November 4, 2019, resulting in Manitoba remaining on Central Standard Time (CST) throughout the year and in perpetuity. (W. Giesbrecht, J. Giesbrecht, M. Harder and others)

Ms. KLASSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce.

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (D. Hunt, B. Cey, T. Mosset and others)

Ms. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce.

Mr. ALLUM – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (L. Bleeks, D. Jones, D. Carriere and others)

Mr. ALTEMEYER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (E. Metris, A. Kroter, K. Bhullur and others)

Mr. SWAN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (J. Dennis, P. Smith, C. McGlinchey and others)

Mr. LINDSEY – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to reinstate obstetric delivery services at Flin Flon General Hospital and work with the Government of Saskatchewan, and the Federal Government, to ensure obstetric services continue to be available on a regional basis. (J. Campbell, L. Asmus, S. Simms and others)

Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (S. Woods, K. Cao, M. De Jong and others)

Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (G. Guilbault, I. McLeod, C. Custodio and others)

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Provincial Government consider establishing a cross-departmental team to provide leadership on a culturally appropriate, coordinated response to the growing addictions crisis in our province that includes an aggressive, wide-spread education campaign on the dangers of using methamphetamine and opiates along with addictions education for front-line medical staff in health care facilities, to consider providing addictional addictions services in Brandon and Western Manitoba across the continuum of care including acute response, detoxification, long-term rehabilitation, transitional housing, and support for managing co-occurring disorders, to request that the Minister of Health, Seniors and Active Living consider establishing a publicly available inventory of all addictions facilities in Manitoba and to consider providing supports for the families of people struggling with addiction including counseling, patient navigation and advocacy, and direct access to free naloxone. (A. Allingham, C. Maher, D. Barkley and others)

Mr. WIEBE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (J. Dyck, R. Gierie, A. Olson and others)

Mr. LAMONT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (N. Polischuk, N. Welwood, M. Clark and others)

Ms. FONTAINE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to increase funding for licensed not for profit child care programs in recognition of the importance of early learning and child care in Manitoba which will also improve quality and stability in the workforce. (A. Foster, P. Jobru, N. Armstrong and others)

In accordance with Rule 33(7), the Government House Leader announced that the Livestock Education Resolution will be considered on the next Tuesday of Private Members' Business.

The House resumed the debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FIELDING:

THAT Bill (No. 16) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2019/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2019 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. MALOWAY, Ms. KLASSEN, Hon. Mr. FLETCHER and Mr. ALLUM having spoken,

And 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. Wednesday, April 10, 2019.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER, Speaker.