

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 47

## FOURTH SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

PRAYER 10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

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

THAT Bill (No. 226) – The Presumption of Death and Declaration of Absence Act and Amendments to The Insurance Act/Loi sur la présomption de décès et la déclaration d'absence et modifiant la Loi sur les assurances, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) and SMITH (Southdale), Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) and Messrs. ALLUM, KINEW and ALTEMEYER having spoken,

And Mr. MALOWAY speaking at 10:55 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

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In accordance with sub-rule 24(1), the debate was interrupted to put the Second Reading Question on Selected Bill (No. 207).

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

THAT Bill (No. 207) – The Manitoba Conservation Officers Recognition Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de reconnaissance des agents de conservation du Manitoba, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

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

The House resumed the Debate on the Proposed Resolution of Mr. TEITSMA:

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 the debate continuing,

And Messrs. Wiebe, Smook, Altemeyer and Allum, Mrs. Guillemard and Ms. Fontaine having spoken,

And Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Mrs. GUILLEMARD, Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas), Messrs. WISHART and WOWCHUK and Ms. KLASSEN made Members' Statements.

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Following Oral Questions, Hon. Mr. FLETCHER rose on a Matter of Privilege and moved:

THAT the House immediately begins the estimates process and ensure that a minimum of 100 hours is provided for said process.

And Hon. Messrs. GOERTZEN and GERRARD having spoken.

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled there was no Matter of Privilege.

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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. (J. Williams, W. Klassen, A. Bolduc and others)

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. (J. Koenig, F. Seibel, J. Stiller 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. (C. Jorgensen, N. Madarash, T. Raddysh 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. (J. Sodomsky, A. Raible, M. Russell and others)

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. (M. Kochan, P. Pelletier, A. Hilber-Eliyaku and others)

Ms. LATHLIN – 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. 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. (R Camill, S. Abbi, F. Martin 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.

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. (A. Well, J. Hernandez, L. Day 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. (D. Dueck, S. Proctar, E. Balzer 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 additional 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. (S. May, J. Welsted, K. Fallis and others)

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## **Tuesday, May 7, 2019**

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

THAT Bill (No. 22) – The Business Registration, Supervision and Ownership Transparency Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur l'enregistrement, la surveillance et la transparence de la propriété effective des entreprises (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. LINDSEY, MALOWAY, MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) and WIEBE having spoken,

And Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

During the debate, Ms. FONTAINE rose on a point of order requesting a quorum count.

WHEREUPON the Acting Deputy Speaker informed the House that there were enough Members to constitute a quorum.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER, Speaker.