

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 12

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER 10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. WASYLIW moved:

THAT Bill (No. 204) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Teaching Experience of Principals)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (expérience des directeurs en enseignement), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

Mr. WASYLIW having spoken,

And Messrs. MICKLEFIELD and KINEW, Ms. LAMOUREUX, Messrs. EWASKO, MOSES and WOWCHUK having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. MICKLEFIELD, Ms. LAMOUREUX, Messrs. EWASKO and JOHNSTON having spoken,

The debate was allowed to remain open.

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Ms. FONTAINE moved:

Resolution No. 2: Call to Address the Urgent Public Safety Crisis

WHEREAS the province of Manitoba has reached the 2011 record high of 41 homicides recorded in a given year; and

WHEREAS families have been left grief stricken by the impact of these crimes that have caused whole communities to search for solutions to end violent crime in the Province; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms dictates that Manitoba has a responsibility to protect the right to life, liberty and security of the person; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government needs to commit to two-pronged emergency responses and long-term investments to address the root causes of crime; and

WHEREAS this commitment must include investments in community agencies, longer-term investments in healthcare, education, social and affordable housing and other supports such as for child care; and

WHEREAS the province must end the freeze to funding to municipalities so that police forces, community agencies and non-profit groups such as Bear Clan, Aboriginal Youth Opportunities, and Fearless R2W have the resources they need to keep communities safe; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government must develop a comprehensive plan to help reduce and end poverty for the people in the province; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has ignored community members and those on the frontlines who have said the solution must go beyond policing and the most effective solutions to end violence will come from the community itself; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government should be proactive in tackling the root causes of crime so all citizens feel safe and secure in Manitoba.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to take an immediate emergency multi-pronged response to address the ever increasing violence and the serious harm being inflicted on Manitobans.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. FONTAINE having spoken,

And Messrs. Teitsma, Moses, Smith (Lagimodière), Bushie and Isleifson and Ms. Adams having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Mr. CULLEN, Messrs. TEITSMA and LAMONT having spoken,

And Mr. SMITH (Lagimodière) speaking at 12:10 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

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

The following Bills were read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 206) – The Louis Riel Act/Loi sur Louis Riel

(Mr. KINEW)

(No. 207) – The Election Financing Amendment and Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement des élections et la Loi électorale

(Mr. LAMONT)

Hon. Mr. FIELDING presented:

Report on Fidelity Bonds according to section 20 of *The Public Officers Act* dated December 5, 2019.

(Sessional Paper No. 14)

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Hon. Ms. Cox, the Minister for Status of Women, made a statement regarding the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women.

Ms. FONTAINE and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

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Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Mr. MALOWAY, Hon. Mr. HELWER, Ms. FONTAINE, Ms. LAMOUREUX and Mr. MICHALESKI made Members' Statements.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Ms. ADAMS – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge 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. BRAR – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Agriculture to reconsider the changes to Crown land leases and instead create an agreeable strategy that satisfies all parties, specifically ranchers; to recognize the value of agriculture in the province of Manitoba and the value Crown land holds to farmers in sustaining their livelihood; and to understand the important role farmers play in the Manitoba economy and to allow them to take part in discussions that directly impact their livelihood.

The Order of the Day having been read for consideration of Report Stage Amendment of Bill (No. 7) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Victims of Interpersonal Violence)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé pour les victimes de violence interpersonnelle), as reported from the Standing Committee on Human Resources:

#### Ms. LAMOUREUX moved:

THAT Bill 7 be amended in Clause 3 by replacing clause (a) of the definition "interpersonal violence" in the proposed subsection 59.11(1) with the following:

- (a) domestic violence, being violence that occurs when a person is subjected to an act or omission mentioned in subsection 2(1.1) of *The Domestic Violence and Stalking Act* by another person who
  - (i) is cohabiting or has cohabited with the person in a spousal, conjugal or intimate relationship,
  - (ii) has or had a family relationship with the person, in which they have lived together,
  - (iii) has or had a family relationship with the person, in which they have not lived together,
  - (iv) has or had a dating relationship with the person, whether or not they have ever lived together, or
  - (v) is the other biological or adoptive parent of their child, regardless of their marital status or whether they have ever lived together;

And Ms. LAMOUREUX, Hon. Mrs. COX and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And the Question be	eing put on the a	imendment. I	t was a	agreed to

Hon. Mrs. COX moved:

THAT Bill (No. 7) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Victims of Interpersonal Violence)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé pour les victimes de violence interpersonnelle), as reported from the Standing Committee on Human Resources, and subsequently amended, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mrs. Cox, MLA ASAGWARA, Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Ms. MARCELINO and Messrs. BRAR and BUSHIE having spoken,

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

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

### Thursday, December 5, 2019

Her Honour, Janice FILMON, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Manitoba, having entered the House at 4:35 p.m., and being seated on the Throne:

Madam Speaker addressed Her Honour in the following words:

Your Honour:

At this sitting, the Legislative Assembly has passed a certain Bill that I ask Your Honour to give assent to:

(No. 7) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Victims of Interpersonal Violence)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congé pour les victimes de violence interpersonnelle)

To this Bill the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly as follows:

"In Her Majesty's name, Her Honour assents to this Bill."

At 4:39 p.m., Her Honour was then pleased to retire.

Pursuant to Rule 2(1), the House then adjourned at 4:43 p.m. Thursday, December 5, 2019.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER, Speaker.