

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 46

FOURTH SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Ms. LAMOUREUX moved:

THAT Bill (No. 208) – The Teachers' Pensions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la pension de retraite des enseignants, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And Messrs. WISHART, ALTOMARE and LAGASSÉ, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Ms. MORLEY- LECOMTE having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. WISHART and ALTOMARE and Hon. Messrs. EWASKO and GERRARD having spoken,

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.

Ms. LAMOUREUX moved:

Resolution No. 13: Calling on the Provincial Government to Increase Investment to School Nutrition Programs

WHEREAS in Manitoba, the Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba is a charitable organization formed in 2001 to help school children and youth learn, grow, and succeed by supporting school meal and snack programs; and

WHEREAS the Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba has identified that the organization is unable to keep up with the high demand for its services as it can no longer accept new school applicants and has a growing waitlist; and

WHEREAS in the 2021-22 school year, the Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba funded 298 programs across Manitoba, with an estimated reach of over 36,000 students per day; an increase from 2015-16 school year where 240 programs were funded with an estimated reach of 22,000 students; and

WHEREAS data collected by the Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba schools with meal programs reported that 75 per cent of participants saw an improvement in student attendance, 86 per cent saw academic effort and attention span improved, and 70 per cent saw better academic performance and a decrease in disruptive behaviour; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has provided funding that covers roughly 10 percent of a school's calculated food costs for a year, equalling roughly \$0.17 per student per day; and

WHEREAS schools are the most appropriate medium for providing food to children and youth because they provide structure and an opportunity to instill healthy eating habits in a non-stigmatizing way; and

WHEREAS the high rate of child and youth poverty in Manitoba, exacerbated by COVID-19, led to an exponential increase in the use of food banks; and

WHEREAS the K-12 Commission recommends that the education system "Improve access to nutritious food for Manitoba students and expand health-promoting meal programs in Manitoba schools through enhanced partnerships and coordination among organizations."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to increase its funding to current school meal and snack programs to at a minimum 20 per cent of a school's calculated annual food costs to ensure programs are accessible for all school-age children and youth in the province, at no cost, regardless of one's perceived need.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And Messrs. WOWCHUK, ALTOMARE, MARTIN and LAMONT and MLA ASAGWARA having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Mr. JOHNSTON and Messrs. ALTOMARE, MARTIN and LAMONT having spoken,

And Mr. WOWCHUK speaking at 11:53 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. ISLEIFSON, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Justice, presented its Second Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings

Your Committee met on May 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- **Bill (No. 18)** The Legislative Security Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité de la Cité législative
- Bill (No. 19) The Beneficiary Designation (Retirement, Savings and Other Plans) Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la désignation de bénéficiaires (régimes de retraite, d'épargne et autres)
- Bill (No. 23) The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services
- **Bill (No. 26)** The Officers of the Assembly Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les hauts fonctionnaires de l'Assemblée (modification de diverses lois)
- Bill (No. 35) The Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months and Related Repeals and Amendments Act/Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs et abrogations et modifications connexes

Committee Membership

As per the Sessional Order passed by the House on October 7, 2020 and subsequently amended, Rule 82(2) was waived for the May 9, 2022 meeting, reducing the membership to six Members (4 Government and 2 Official Opposition).

- Ms. FONTAINE
- Hon. Mr. FRIESEN
- Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN
- Mr. ISLEIFSON (Chairperson)
- Ms. Morley-Lecomte
- Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas)

Your Committee elected Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE as the Vice-Chairperson.

Bills Considered and Reported

• **Bill (No. 18)** – The Legislative Security Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité de la Cité législative

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• **Bill (No. 19)** – The Beneficiary Designation (Retirement, Savings and Other Plans) Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la désignation de bénéficiaires (régimes de retraite, d'épargne et autres)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• **Bill (No. 23)** – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• **Bill (No. 26)** – The Officers of the Assembly Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les hauts fonctionnaires de l'Assemblée (modification de diverses lois)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• Bill (No. 35) – The Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months and Related Repeals and Amendments Act/Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs et abrogations et modifications connexes

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

Week.

On motion of Mr. ISLEIFSON, the Report of the Committee was received.

Hon. Ms. GORDON, the Minister of Health, made a statement regarding Heart Failure Awareness

MLA ASAGWARA and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. PIWNIUK, the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, made a statement regarding the current flooding situation in Manitoba.

Mr. WIEBE and, by leave, Mr. LAMONT commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Mr. MICKLEFIELD, Ms. LATHLIN and Messrs. NESBITT, BUSHIE and LAMONT made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 33(7), the Government House Leader announced that the Private Member's Resolution titled "Calling on the Federal Government to Extend Time Frame for Indian Day School Survivors" will be considered on the next Tuesday of Private Members' Business.

Ms. FONTAINE moved the following Opposition Day Motion:

THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba call on the Provincial Government to protect the rights of women, girls and gender diverse citizens by ensuring access to reproductive health care throughout Manitoba, particularly in northern and rural areas, which includes equitable access to both medical (Mifegymiso) and surgical abortions, and to protect access to abortion services by creating buffer zones around clinics and facilities providing abortion services, schools and the residences of medical professionals who provide those services.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. FONTAINE, Hon. Ms. GORDON, Ms. NAYLOR, Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, MLA MARCELINO, Messrs. LAMONT and KINEW, Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE, MLA ASAGWARA, Mr. ALTOMARE, Ms. LAMOUREUX, MLA LINDSEY and Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) having spoken,

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

YEA

ALTOMARE	LINDSEY
ASAGWARA	MALOWAY
Brar	MARCELINO
BUSHIE	Moses
FONTAINE	NAYLOR
GERRARD	SALA
KINEW	SANDHU
LAMONT	SMITH (Point Douglas)
LAMOUREUX	WASYLIW
LATHLIN	WIEBE20

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

NAY

CLARKE	MICHALESKI
Cox	Micklefield
EICHLER	MORLEY-LECOMTE
EWASKO	NESBITT
FIELDING	PEDERSEN
FRIESEN	Piwniuk
GOERTZEN	REYES
GORDON	SCHULER
GUENTER	SMITH (Lagimodière)
ISLEIFSON	SMOOK
JOHNSON	STEFANSON
JOHNSTON	TEITSMA
Khan	WISHART
LAGASSÉ	WOWCHUK28

The House then adjourned at 4:18 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 11, 2022.

Hon. Myrna Driedger, Speaker.