



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 45

THIRD SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

10:00 O’CLOCK A.M.

Mr. OXENHAM moved:

THAT Bill (No. 234) – The Registered Landscape Architects Act/Loi sur les architectes paysagistes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. OXENHAM having spoken,

And Mr. NARTH and MLAs DELA CRUZ and BEREZA having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. NARTH, MLAs BEREZA and DELA CRUZ, Ms. BYRAM and MLA COMPTON having spoken,

And Mr. BALCAEN speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

The House resumed the debate on the proposed resolution of Mrs. SCHOTT:

Resolution No. 7: National Strategy for Silver Alerts

WHEREAS the safety and well-being of older adults and people living with Alzheimer’s disease, dementia, or other cognitive impairments is a priority for the Provincial Government; and

WHEREAS across Canada, seniors and vulnerable adults living with Alzheimer’s disease and dementia frequently go missing, prompting urgent searches, placing families under immense stress, and highlighting the need for a coordinated system to protect those at risk; and

WHEREAS critical incident reviews and missing-person investigations across jurisdictions have repeatedly identified gaps in care planning, communication, and system response. Gaps that, if addressed, could prevent similar incidents and strengthen safeguards for vulnerable adults; and

WHEREAS families affected by these incidents, including many who have experienced the disappearance of a loved one, have advocated nationally for improvements to the Alert Ready national public alerting system to issue silver alerts, gathering thousands of signatures from people across the country in support of stronger, more consistent protections for missing vulnerable adults; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has taken meaningful steps to improve the quality of life for people living with Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or other cognitive impairments, including new investments in community supports, caregiver assistance, and programming to help prevent missing-person incidents and ensure vulnerable Manitobans are safe; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government created a new, independent Seniors' Advocate to listen to seniors and advocate for the supports Manitoba seniors need; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government has recently made investments to support people living with Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or other cognitive impairments and their caregivers, demonstrating a shared national commitment to improving dementia care, but recognizing that more action is needed to strengthen public safety and coordinated response systems; and

WHEREAS a modernized, standardized, and nationally coordinated silver alert strategy would ensure consistent protections across jurisdictions, strengthen communication between provinces, and provide families with greater peace of mind; and

WHEREAS a renewed national approach would support the work already underway in Manitoba, enhance system-wide coordination, and respond directly to what thousands of Canadians have called for through their advocacy and petitions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to encourage the Federal Government to develop and advance a renewed national silver alert strategy that strengthens protections for missing senior and vulnerable adults, supports families, and ensures consistent, coordinated action across Canada.

And the debate continuing,

And Mrs. ROBBINS, Hon. Mr. WIEBE, Messrs. JOHNSON, NESBITT and GUENTER and Mrs. HIEBERT having spoken,

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

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Hon. Min. FONTAINE tabled:

Revised sequence for consideration of the Estimates by the Committee of Supply for April 22 and April 23, 2026.

(Sessional Paper No. 47)

Hon. Min. MOROZ, the Minister of Innovation and New Technology, made a statement regarding Mel Myers, K.C. (in memoriam).

MLA BEREZA commented on the statement.

Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), MLA CROSS, Messrs. KHAN and OXENHAM, Mrs. COOK and MLA PANKRATZ made Member's statements.

In accordance with Rule 34, the Government House Leader announced that the previously debated Private Member's resolution titled "Women's Health in Manitoba" will be considered on the next Tuesday of Private Members' Business.

In accordance with sub-rule 2(13), the House completed Second Reading of the remaining Specified Bills.

The House resumed the debate on the proposed motion of Hon. Min. FONTAINE:

THAT Bill (No. 6) – The Sign Languages Recognition Act/Loi sur la reconnaissance des langues des signes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. BYRAM 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.

Hon. Min. MARCELINO moved:

THAT Bill (No. 11) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Sick Notes for Employee Absences)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (notes du médecin en cas d'absence d'un employé), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Min. MARCELINO having spoken,

And Mr. GUENTER having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. GUENTER 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.

Hon. Ms. SMITH moved:

THAT Bill (No. 16) – The Mental Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé mentale, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. SMITH having spoken,

And MLA BEREZA having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And MLA BEREZA 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.

Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 19) – The Animal Care Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le soin des animaux, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN having spoken,

And Mr. NARTH having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. NARTH 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.

Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN tabled:

Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 19).

(Sessional Paper No. 48)

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT moved:

THAT Bill (No. 38) – The Public Schools Amendment and Manitoba School Boards Association Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques et la Loi sur l'Association des commissions scolaires du Manitoba, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Min. SCHMIDT having spoken,

And Mr. EWASKO having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. EWASKO 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.

Hon. Min. KENNEDY moved:

THAT Bill (No. 41) – The Promoting Inclusion in Amateur Sport Act/Loi sur la promotion de l'inclusion dans le sport amateur, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Min. KENNEDY having spoken,

And Mr. EWASKO having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. EWASKO 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.

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Hon. Min. NAYLOR moved:

THAT Bill (No. 43) – The Highway Traffic Amendment and Drivers and Vehicles Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code de la route et la Loi sur les conducteurs et les véhicules, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Min. NAYLOR having spoken,

And Mr. GUENTER having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. GUENTER 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.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, 2026.

Hon. Tom LINDSEY,
Speaker.