



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 51

THIRD SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

10:00 O’CLOCK A.M.

Mrs. STONE moved:

THAT Bill (No. 235) – The Fiscal Responsibility and Taxpayer Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la responsabilité financière et la protection des contribuables, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. STONE having spoken,

And Hon. Min. KENNEDY, Mrs. COOK and MLA BEREZA having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Hon. Min. CABLE and MLAs BEREZA, DEVGAN and LOISELLE having spoken,

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

During the debate, the Deputy Speaker interjected and requested that the words “pull the wool over the eyes of Manitobans”, spoken by the Honourable Member for McPhillips, be withdrawn.

WHEREUPON MLA DEVGAN withdrew their remarks.

In accordance with Rule 34, the Official Opposition House Leader announced that the Private Member’s resolution titled “Removing the Land Transfer Tax for the First-Time Home Buyers” will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members’ Business.

Mr. JOHNSON moved:

Resolution No. 9: Calling on the Provincial Government to Prioritize the Struggles Facing Manitoba Families

WHEREAS Manitoba continues to face the worst cost of living pressures in the country; and

WHEREAS Manitoba posted an overall inflation rate of 3%, tied for the highest in Canada; and

WHEREAS extreme pressure in everyday expenses are putting significant strain on Manitoba families, forcing them to choose what expenses to prioritize; and

WHEREAS food prices remain a major driver of rising costs in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS Manitoba recorded the highest food inflation rate in the country at 4.9%, making groceries increasingly unaffordable for many Manitoba families; and

WHEREAS Manitoba represents every segment of the agriculture industry, yet leads the country in record high food prices; and

WHEREAS agriculture plays a vital role in the daily lives and livelihoods of Manitobans and to the province's economy, accounting for almost 10% of Manitoba's GDP; and

WHEREAS 81,000 Manitobans work in the agriculture sector, producing \$29.5 billion in economic benefits to Manitoba's economy; and

WHEREAS Manitoba lacks processing capacity and must send agriculture products out of province for processing, thus depriving Manitobans of good jobs; and

WHEREAS under this Provincial Government, Manitoba has fallen behind neighbouring provinces in terms of securing new markets and trade deals for world class agricultural products; and

WHEREAS Manitoba's domestic food supply is at risk.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to take action immediately to reduce the crippling red tape on farmers and address the underlying economic causes of food inflation.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. JOHNSON having spoken,

And Hon. Min. NAYLOR and Messrs. KING and EWASKO having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. BRAR and KING and MLA DELA CRUZ having spoken,

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

1:30 O’CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined:

(No. 53) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2026/Loi d’exécution du budget de 2026 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité

(Hon. Min. SALA)

Hon. Mr. WIEBE tabled:

Annual Report of the Manitoba Human Rights Commission and Human Rights Adjudication Panel for the year ending December 31, 2023.

(Sessional Paper No. 51)

Hon. Min. FONTAINE tabled:

Revised sequence for consideration of the Estimates by the Committee of Supply for May 7, 2026.

(Sessional Paper No. 52)

Revised sequence for consideration of the Estimates by the Committee of Supply for May 8, 2026.

(Sessional Paper No. 53)

Hon. Ms. SMITH, the Minister responsible for Mental Health, made a statement regarding Mental Health Week, May 4 to 10, 2026.

MLA BEREZA and, by leave, MLA LAGASSÉ commented on the statement.

Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), Messrs. BRAR and NARTH, Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN, Mr. KING and Hon. Min. SALA made Member’s statements.

Thursday, May 7, 2026

The House resolved into Committee of Supply. The proceedings were interrupted at 5:00 p.m. with the understanding that the Committee of Supply would resume Friday, May 8, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

The House then adjourned at 12:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, 2026, until 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, 2026.

Hon. Tom LINDSEY,
Speaker.