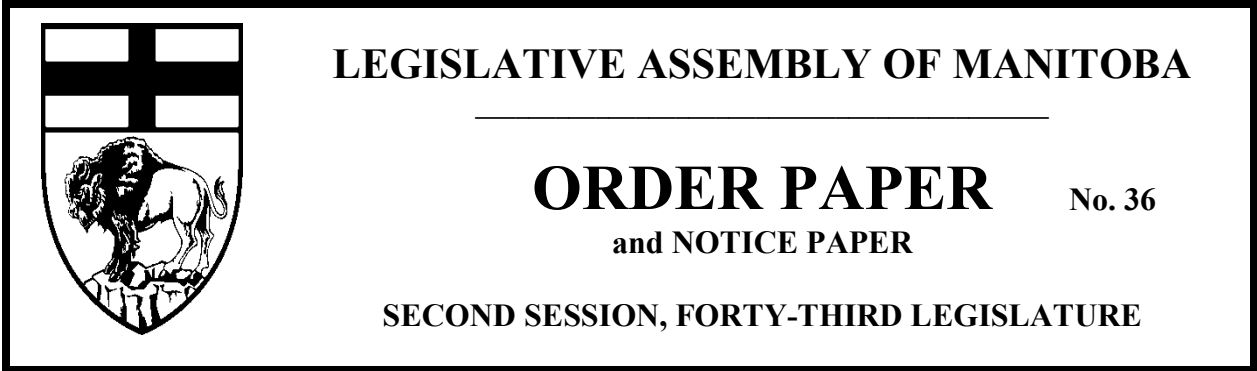




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SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

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Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 211) – The Local Elections Voter Eligibility Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur l'admissibilité des électeurs aux élections locales (modification de diverses lois)

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(No. 213) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Non-Compete Agreements)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (accords de non-concurrence)

Mr. WASYLIW –

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MLA DELA CRUZ –

(No. 216) – The Health System Governance and Accountability Amendment Act (Plebiscite Before Permanent Emergency Room Closure)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gouvernance et l'obligation redditionnelle au sein du système de santé (plébiscites sur la fermeture permanente de salles d'urgence)

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(No. 217) – The Energy Efficiency Disclosure Act/Loi sur la présentation de rapports sur l'efficacité énergétique

MLA MOYES –

(No. 218) – The Climate Action Month Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur le Mois de lutte contre les changements climatiques (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs)

Mr. WASYLIW –

(No. 219) – The Police Services Amendment Act (Obligation to Respond to Police Wrongdoings)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services de police (intervention et signalement obligatoires en cas d'acte répréhensible commis par un autre agent de police)

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ADJOURNED DEBATE (FIFTH DAY OF DEBATE):

Hon. Min. SALA –

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government.

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. EWASKO in amendment as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by deleting all of the words after “House” and substituting:

regrets that this budget neglects the priorities of Manitobans by:

- (a) failing to address the rising costs that Manitobans are facing today by collecting over a billion dollars more in taxes and other fees while Cabinet Ministers receive a pay increase; and
- (b) failing to offer a strategy to address the Chinese and American tariffs impacting Manitoba’s agriculture producers and businesses; and
- (c) failing to deliver a new education funding model, which in turn has resulted in a historic rise in education property taxes for Manitoban homeowners; and
- (d) failing to commit to lowering the education tax for Manitoba businesses; and
- (e) failing Manitoba parents by cutting childcare funding by hundreds of millions of dollars; and
- (f) failing to address the Provincial Government’s “Bail Reform” policy when it comes to violent criminals and repeat offenders; and
- (g) failing to increase investment in the RCMP in Manitoba and law enforcement as a whole; and
- (h) failing to invest in the protection of Manitobans from violent crime; and
- (i) failing to address the diagnostic and surgical wait time backlog; and
- (j) failing to produce a meaningful plan to recruit, train, and retain health-care workers in Manitoba; and

- (k) failing to support Manitoba's local sports, heritage, and creative sectors by eliminating the previous Provincial Government's "Arts, Culture and Sport in Community" funding program; and
- (l) failing to justify cuts to the Urban/Hometown Green Team and the Building Sustainable Communities Fund, and neglecting to adequately fund local community projects and organizations; and
- (m) failing to provide necessary funding to maintain and repair Manitoba roads; and
- (n) failing to make cost-efficient and timely progress on major infrastructure projects, instead causing unnecessary delays and budget overruns; and
- (o) failing to come forward with a meaningful plan to address the many issues in Manitoba's vulnerable communities; and
- (p) failing to prioritize new school builds, resulting in exponential cost increases on Manitobans, and
- (q) failing to make effective use of government resources by disregarding years of collaborative work already conducted by the previous Provincial Government on numerous initiatives, such as a new public-school funding model, a comprehensive critical minerals strategy, an Indigenous excellence in education policy, a strategy to recruit and retain French-speaking educators, and consultations on Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin channels projects; and
- (r) failing to provide the necessary investment to recruit and train needed conservation officers in Manitoba; and
- (s) failing to prioritize the expansion of Manitoba conservation offices; and
- (t) failing to provide a realistic plan to balance the budget by 2027.

As a consequence, the Provincial Government has thereby lost the confidence of this House and the people of Manitoba.

(MLA REDHEAD – 13 minutes)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(99 hours 51 minutes)

REPORT STAGE AMENDMENTS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 5) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impaired Driving Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mesures en cas d’infractions de conduite avec facultés affaiblies)

(amended – Committee)

[Amendment (2) – Mr. BALCAEN]

CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 2) – The Provincial Court Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 31) – The Property Controls for Grocery Stores and Supermarkets Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les instruments de contrôle de biens-fonds visant des épiceries et des supermarchés (modification de diverses lois)

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 42) – The Buy Canadian Act (Government Purchases Act Amended)/Loi sur l’achat au Canada (modification de la Loi sur les achats du gouvernement)

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 32) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act (Measures to Address Unlawful Activities)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d’habitation (mesures concernant les activités illégales)

(Hon. Mr. WIEBE – unlimited)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. SIMARD –

(No. 3) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg et la Loi sur l’aménagement du territoire

Hon. Mr. SIMARD –

(No. 4) – The Planning Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l’aménagement du territoire

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 6) – The Public Schools Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 7) – The Human Tissue Gift Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les dons de tissus humains

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 8) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 9) – The Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Amendment Act (2)/Loi n° 2 modifiant la Loi sur la réglementation des alcools, des jeux et du cannabis

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 10) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act (2)/Loi n° 2 modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d’habitation

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. MOSES –

(No. 11) – The Oil and Gas Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le pétrole et le gaz naturel

Hon. Ms. SMITH –

(No. 12) – The Housing and Renewal Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d’habitation et de rénovation

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 13) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2025/Loi corrective de 2025

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 14) – The Insurance Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les assurances

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 15) – The Real Estate Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services immobiliers

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 16) – The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Amendment and Public Schools Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les élections municipales et scolaires et la Loi sur les écoles publiques

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 17) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Nutrition Equality for Lasting Learning Outcomes)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (équité alimentaire pour un apprentissage durable)
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 18) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Indigenous Languages of Instruction)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (enseignement en langue autochtone)

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 19) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Safe Schools)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (milieu scolaire sûr)

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 20) – The Community Child Care Standards Amendment and Education Administration Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la garde d'enfants et la Loi sur l'administration scolaire

Hon. Min. KENNEDY –

(No. 21) – The Protecting Youth in Sports Act/Loi sur la protection des jeunes sportifs

Hon. Min. MOYES –

(No. 22) – The Environment Amendment and Waste Reduction and Prevention Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'environnement et la Loi sur la réduction du volume et de la production des déchets

(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 23) – The Public Interest Expression Defence Act/Loi visant à défendre l'expression sur des questions d'intérêt public

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 24) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 25) – The Public-Private Partnerships Transparency and Accountability Act/Loi sur la transparence et la responsabilité en matière de partenariats public-privé

Hon. Min. SANDHU –

(No. 26) – The Vital Statistics Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les statistiques de l'état civil

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 27) – The Income Tax Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi de l'impôt sur le revenu
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 28) – The Manitoba Hydro Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Hydro-Manitoba

Hon. Min. MARCELINO –

(No. 29) – The Workplace Safety and Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité
et l'hygiène du travail

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 30) – The Election Financing Amendment and Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la
Loi sur le financement des élections et la Loi électorale
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 33) – The Public Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé publique

Hon. Min. NAYLOR –

(No. 34) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Motor Carrier Enforcement)/Loi modifiant le
Code de la route (réglementation des transporteurs routiers)

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 35) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur
la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 36) – The Drivers and Vehicles Amendment and Highway Traffic Amendment Act/Loi
modifiant la Loi sur les conducteurs et les véhicules et le Code de la route

Hon. Min. SALA –

(No. 37) – The Manitoba Financial Services Authority Act and Amendments to Various Other
Acts/Loi sur l'Autorité des services financiers du Manitoba et modifiant diverses autres lois
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

Hon. Min. NAYLOR –

(No. 38) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Traffic Safety Measures)/Loi modifiant le Code
de la route (mesures de sécurité routière)

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 39) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Campaign Financing for School Trustees)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les écoles publiques (financement des campagnes électorales pour les élections scolaires)

Hon. Min. SCHMIDT –

(No. 40) – An Act respecting “O Canada” and Other Observances and Land and Treaty Acknowledgements in Schools (Education Administration Act and Public Schools Act Amended)/Loi sur les activités scolaires soulignant notamment l’« Ô Canada » et la reconnaissance des territoires et des traités (modification de la Loi sur l’administration scolaire et de la Loi sur les écoles publiques)

Hon. Min. ASAGWARA –

(No. 41) – The Reporting of Supports for Child Survivors of Sexual Assault (Trained Health Professionals and Evidence Collection Kits) Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la présentation de rapports concernant les mesures de soutien destinées aux enfants survivants d’agression sexuelle (professionnels de la santé formés et trousse médicale)

Hon. Mr. WIEBE –

(No. 43) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne

Hon. Min. FONTAINE –

(No. 44) – The Matriarch Circle Act and Amendments to The Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act (Ribbon Skirt Day)/Loi sur le Cercle des matriarches et modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs (Journée de la jupe à rubans)
(Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTION:

Hon. Min. FONTAINE – Special Committee on Local Journalism

THAT a Special Committee on Local Journalism be created to make recommendations on exploring the future of local journalism, including rural and cultural media such as French, Filipino, Punjabi and Chinese language publications, with the mandate to consider matters of public support for journalism, and report its conclusion to the Assembly within 30 days of the start of Fall Sitting 2025; and

THAT the composition of the Special Committee be:

- (a) four members designated by the NDP caucus, and
- (b) two members designated by the PC caucus; and

THAT the Special Committee be authorized to decide how it will conduct its business, including deciding to hold meetings at times and places it considers advisable to receive briefs and hear presentations; and

THAT, except as otherwise provided in this motion, the Special Committee shall have the same status and powers and follow the same rules and procedures as a Standing Committee of the House, including the power to establish a sub-committee for the purposes of carrying out any part of the Special Committee's work; and

THAT after adoption by the House, this motion may be amended only by:

- (a) unanimous consent of the House;
- (b) passage of a subsequent motion by the House; or
- (c) written agreement of all House Leaders if the House is not sitting.

And the Proposed Motion of Mr. JOHNSON in amendment thereto as follows:

THAT the first clause of the Motion be deleted and the following substituted as the new first clause:

THAT a Special Committee on Local Journalism be created to make recommendations on exploring the future of local journalism, including rural and cultural media representing all ethnicities and non-official languages, so long as they do not promote hate speech or undermine the Manitoba values of inclusivity and respect for all races, religions, and backgrounds, with the mandate to consider matters of public support for journalism, and report its conclusion to the Assembly within 30 days of the start of Fall Sitting 2025; and
(Mr. GOERTZEN – 27 minutes)

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE NEXT THURSDAY OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

Mr. WOWCHUK – O Canada

7. WHEREAS tariffs imposed and threatened by U.S. President Donald Trump threaten Canada's sovereignty and economic security; and

WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba stands united in defending the province, its workers and its industries against Trump's tariffs and threats; and

WHEREAS each sitting day of the Manitoba Legislature opens with a Prayer and Land Acknowledgement; and

WHEREAS a Leger Marketing poll found 86 per cent of Manitoban respondents were proud to be Canadian; and

WHEREAS "O Canada" was proclaimed Canada's national anthem in 1980, a century after it was first sung in 1880; and

WHEREAS the singing of “O Canada” at public events has become a strong symbol and outlet for Canadian pride; and

WHEREAS Manitobans love Canada, and Manitoba will never become the 51st state.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged, as a permanent symbol of collective Canadian pride, to refer to the Rules Committee the proposal to sing “O Canada” each sitting day after the daily Prayer and Land Acknowledgement.
