

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

ORDER PAPER

No. 74

and NOTICE PAPER

SECOND SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Mr. GOERTZEN -

(No. 200) – The Occupiers' Liability Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la responsabilité des occupants

Mr. Wasyliw -

(No. 231) – The Elections Amendment Act (Election Day on Saturday)/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale (jour du scrutin fixé à un samedi)

MLA LAGASSÉ -

(No. 235) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Railway Safety)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (sécurité ferroviaire)

Mr. EWASKO –

(No. 237) – The School Bus Seat Belt Safety Act/Loi sur les ceintures de sécurité dans les autobus scolaires

Mr. EWASKO -

(No. 238) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Increased Penalties for Passing School Buses)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (peines accrues en cas de dépassement d'autobus scolaire)

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PETITIONS

Mr. BALCAEN

MLA BEREZA

Ms. BYRAM

Mrs. Cook

Mr. EWASKO

Mr. GOERTZEN

Mr. GUENTER

Mrs. HIEBERT

Mr. JOHNSON

Mr. KHAN

Mr. KING

MLA LAGASSÉ

Mr. NARTH

Mr. NESBITT

Mr. PERCHOTTE

Mr. PIWNIUK

Mrs. Robbins

Mr. SCHULER

Mrs. STONE

Mr. WHARTON

Mr. WOWCHUK

GRIEVANCES

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ETHICS REPORT MOTIONS:

THAT the Legislative Assembly accept the findings regarding the Honourable Member for River Heights in the Conclusion of the Report of the Ethics Commissioner dated July 16, 2025.

THAT the Legislative Assembly accept the findings regarding the Honourable Member for Fort Rouge in the Conclusion of the Report of the Ethics Commissioner dated August 27, 2025.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS – ACCEPTED BUT NOT RETURNED:

MLA LAMOUREUX -

- 21. Compared to the number of Provincial Nominee Program (PNP) certificates allocated to Manitoba from Ottawa, what was the total number of PNP certificates issued by the Province in the following years: 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024?
- 22. How many PNP certificates were issued to people who studied in Canada and worked for a minimum of six months in Manitoba for the following years: 2023, 2024?
- 23. How many PNP certificates were issued to people who worked in Manitoba, but did not study, for a minimum of six months for the following years: 2023, 2024?
- 24. How many PNP certificates were issued to people that came to Manitoba as workers for the following years: 2023, 2024?

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(48 hours 27 minutes)

(Chamber – Transportation and Infrastructure)

(Room 254 – Education and Early Childhood Learning)

(Room 255 – Executive Council)

CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS:

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

Designated Bill

Hon. Ms. SMITH -

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

Designated Bill

Hon. Mr. WIEBE -

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

Designated Bill

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

Designated Bill

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)

Designated Bill

DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Mr. WIEBE -

(No. 49) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act (2)/Loi n° 2 modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba

(Mr. BALCAEN -9 minutes)

SECOND READINGS:

Hon. Min. SALA -

(No. 46) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2025/Loi d'exécution du budget de 2025 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité (Recommended by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor)

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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. SCHULER – 13 minutes)

GOVERNMENT MOTION:

Hon. Min. FONTAINE -

THAT the Assembly reaffirms its respect and support for the caretaker convention and respect of the democratic will of the voters of Manitoba.

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR THURSDAY:

Hon. Mr. KINEW -

(No. 50) – The Constitutional Questions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les questions constitutionnelles

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

MLA REDHEAD – Advancing Manitoba's Economic Future through Provincial-Federal Collaboration in Churchill

22. WHEREAS the Town of Churchill and the Port of Churchill are critical assets for Manitoba's economic development, Arctic sovereignty, and international trade, being the only deepwater port in North America with Arctic Ocean access and rail connectivity; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government launched Manitoba's new Economic Development Strategy, which includes a long-term vision to make Manitoba a "have" province through productivity growth, trade expansion, and strategic infrastructure investments; and

WHEREAS the Port of Churchill is identified as a potential future federal infrastructure priority, with plans to upgrade the rail line, develop an all-weather road, establish a new energy corridor, and enhance marine ice-breaking capacity to enable year-round shipping; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has emphasized the importance of a true nation to nation partnership with individual nations to advance economic reconciliation, create good jobs in the nations and ensure a healthy future for Indigenous communities and all Manitobans; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government has acknowledged Churchill's strategic role in diversifying trade routes and supporting Canada's critical minerals strategy, with potential for growing exports to Europe; and

WHEREAS the Arctic Gateway Group, composed of First Nations and northern communities, is actively preparing for expanded operations and has expressed readiness to collaborate with governments and stakeholders.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba affirm its support for the inclusive and sustainable redevelopment of Churchill as a strategic infrastructure project of national importance, and urge the Provincial Government to continue working collaboratively with all partners to ensure Churchill becomes a cornerstone of Manitoba's economic transformation and global trade strategy.

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NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING:

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. to consider a Bill referred.

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The Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS will meet in the Chamber, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. to consider the following reports referred:

- Auditor General's Report Physicians' Billings dated January 2021
- Auditor General's Report Automatic Vehicle Location Management Systems dated June 2021
- Auditor General's Report Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated February 2024
 - o Physicians' Billings
 - o Automatic Vehicle Location Management Systems
- Auditor General's Report Follow Up of Previously Issued Recommendations dated February 2025
 - o Physicians' Billings