



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 27

THIRD SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYERS

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Transportation and Government Services to consider upgrading PR #355 from the western edge of the RM of Minto to PR #270 (including the hill out of the Minnedosa valley) and to request the Premier of Manitoba to consider supporting the said initiative to ensure the safety of our Manitobans and all Canadians who travel along Manitoba Highways. (B. McNabb, G. Crawley, K. Sharpe and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to consider providing East St. Paul with local ambulance service which would service both East and West St. Paul and to consider improving the way that ambulance service is supplied to all Manitoba's by utilizing technologies such as GPS in conjunction with a Medical Transportation Co-ordination Center (MTCC) which will ensure that patients receive the nearest ambulance in the least amount of time and to consider ensuring that appropriate funding is provided to maintain superior response times and sustainable services. (B. Pawluk, T. Pawluk, Z. Pawluk and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to consider recognizing the need to sit for a minimum of 80 days in any given calendar year. (A. Navarro, J. Castiloo, A. Goze and others)

Hon. Mr. DOER, the First Minister made a statement regarding the celebration of the 60th anniversary of Victory Europe (VE) Day – marking the end of World War II.

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

Hon. Mr. ROBINSON, the Minister of Culture, Heritage and Tourism made a statement regarding the success of the Winnipeg 2005 Juno Awards.

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

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Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS, the Minister of Conservation, on behalf of Hon. Mr. ASHTON, the Minister of Water Stewardship, made a statement regarding the status of flooding in Manitoba.

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

During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interjected and requested that the word "lied" spoken by the Honourable Member for Morris be withdrawn.

WHEREUPON Mrs. TAILLIEU withdrew her remarks.

Following Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker made the following ruling:

During Oral Questions on March 22, 2005, the Honourable Government House Leader raised a point of order regarding the use of an exhibit by the Honourable Member for River Heights. The Honourable Government House Leader contended that the Member was using an exhibit in conjunction with addressing a question during Oral Questions. The Honourable Member for River Heights also spoke to the point of order, and noted that he was drinking cranberry juice. Given that the decorum in the House at that time prevented me from clearly hearing all of the comments of the Honourable Government House Leader and the Honourable Member for River Heights, I took the matter under advisement in order to peruse Hansard.

After having had a chance to review the comments from Hansard, it is evident to me that the Honourable Member for River Heights, though he did have a glass of cranberry juice, was not referencing the glass of juice while he was phrasing his question, so there is no point of order about the glass of cranberry juice being used as an exhibit. However, I would like to remind Members that although we do allow the consumption of beverages in the Chamber as refreshment for Members, it would not be a good practice if Members were to be displaying their beverages in a strategic manner in the House. Otherwise, the House might have to look into the issue of having restrictions or guidelines on the display and consumption of beverages, and I do not think we want to go down that road.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. NEVAKSHONOFF, EICHLER and SWAN, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Mr. MARTINDALE made Members' Statements.

The House resolving into Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 5:31 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, 2005.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.