



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 56

FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 203).

Mrs. TAILLIEU moved:

THAT Bill (No. 203) – The Regulatory Accountability and Transparency Act/Loi sur la responsabilité et la transparence en matière réglementaire, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. TAILLIEU, Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. PEDERSEN, Hon. Mr. BJORNSON and Mr. SCHULER having spoken,

And Hon. Mr. RONDEAU speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

In accordance with Rule 31(9), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Government Failure to Address Violent Crime Resolution will be considered next Thursday, June 9, 2011.

Mr. BOROTSIK moved:

Resolution No. 15: Bipole Cost Increase Updates

WHEREAS the construction of a third Bipole transmission line is required to increase the reliability of Manitoba Hydro's transmission system; and

WHEREAS cost updates for the Bipole III transmission line provided by Manitoba Hydro from November 2007 to March 2011 indicated the price had remained constant; and

WHEREAS the cost estimates on the Bipole III transmission line subsequently proved to be inaccurate since at least August 2009; and

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WHEREAS the Manitoba Public Utilities Board and the public were not informed of the rising cost of the project; and

WHEREAS the Public Utilities Board plays a central role in the affairs of Manitoba Hydro as its regulator; and

WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro officials provided conflicting information to the Public Utilities Board during the 2011-2012 General Rate Application hearings; and

WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro as a public asset to all Manitobans ought to be transparent and open about projects impacting ratepayers.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba has lost confidence in the ability of the Minister Responsible for Manitoba Hydro to effectively administer Manitoba's public hydro utility.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. BOROTSIK, Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK, Mr. CULLEN, Hon. Mr. RONDEAU and Mr. DERKACH having spoken,

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

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 24) – The Innovation Funding Act/Loi sur le financement de l'innovation
(Hon. Mr. BJORNSON)

(No. 46) – The Save Lake Winnipeg Act/Loi sur la protection du lac Winnipeg
(Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE)

(No. 48) – The Planning and Land Dedication for School Sites Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la planification et les affectations de biens-fonds concernant les emplacements scolaires (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)
(Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX)

(No. 49) – The Employment and Income Assistance Amendment and Highway Traffic Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aide à l'emploi et au revenu et le Code de la route
(Hon. Mr. SWAN)

(No. 50) – The Thompson Nickel Belt Sustainability Act/Loi sur la viabilité de la ceinture nickélicifère de Thompson
(Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK)

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to consider making the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of PTH 16 and PTH 5 North a priority project in order to help protect the safety of the motorists and pedestrians who use it. (S. Epp, J. Vaudry, B. Kim Ko and others)

Mr. DERKACH – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to consider the merits of the alternate plan developed by community members which includes: a raised grade at PR 160, the removal of a gravel mound at the intersection of highways 16 and 160, and the construction an acceleration lane on the north side of Highway 16 west of PR 160 and to consider additional public consultations before proceeding with this project to ensure all local concerns are heard and addressed before any work proceeds. (B. Wotton, J. Johnston, L. Pizzey and others)

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Justice to consider ensuring that all court orders for car thieves are vigorously monitored and enforced and to consider ensuring all breaches of court orders on car thieves are reported to police and vigorously prosecuted. (C. Switzer, P. Leuenberger, J. Gogela and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to build the Bipole III transmission line on the shorter and more reliable east side of Lake Winnipeg, in order to save each Manitoba family of four \$11,748. (E. Peters, E. Peters, L. Peters and others)

Mr. Speaker presented:

Annual Report of the Ombudsman for the year ending December 31, 2010.

(Sessional Paper No. 75)

Hon. Ms. MELNICK on behalf of Hon. Mr. ASHTON, the Minister responsible for Emergency Measures, made a statement regarding the status of flooding in Manitoba.

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

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

During Oral Questions on May 31, 2011, the honourable Official Opposition House Leader raised a point of order regarding comments she asserted were uttered by the honourable Minister for Innovation, Energy & Mines from his seat, specifically the word “liar.” The honourable Government House Leader also spoke to the point of order.

I took the matter under advisement in order to peruse Hansard.

I thank both honourable Members for their contributions to the point of order.

I have now had the opportunity to review Hansard for May 31, 2011; however, there is no record of such comments appearing in Hansard prior to the point of order being raised.

I would therefore respectfully rule that there is no point of order.

I would however like to remind the House that all Members are honourable Members, and should be treated with respect.

As well, I would like to take this opportunity to caution all honourable Members regarding their decorum during Question Period. This is a good example of a situation where I was called upon to make a ruling on point of order, yet due to the noise in the House I could not hear the alleged comments.

I would ask all honourable Members to remember the proud history and dignity of this House, and to govern themselves accordingly.

From his decision, Mrs. TAILLIEU appealed to the House,

And the Question being put, "Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?" It was agreed to, on the following division:

YEA

ALLAN	LEMIEUX
ALTEMEYER	MACKINTOSH
BLADY	MARCELINO
BLAIKIE	MARTINDALE
BJORNSON	OSWALD
BRAUN	REID
BRICK	RONDEAU
CHOMIAK	SARAN
DEWAR	SELBY
HOWARD	STRUTHERS
IRVIN-ROSS	SWAN
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BRIESE
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MAGUIRE
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Subsequently following Oral Questions, Mrs. TAILLIEU rose on a point of order regarding the lack of decorum in the Chamber.

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD having spoken to the point of order,

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker informed the House he would take the matter under advisement.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. KORZENIOWSKI, Messrs. BRIESE, SARAN and MCFADYEN and Hon. Ms. OSWALD made Members' Statements.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 16) – The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Amendment and Criminal Property Forfeiture Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi visant à accroître la sécurité des collectivités et des quartiers et la Loi sur la confiscation de biens obtenus ou utilisés criminellement, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 18) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code de la route, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mrs. TAILLIEU,

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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 19) – The Provincial Court Amendment Act (Senior Judges)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale (juges aînés), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mrs. TAILLIEU,

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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 25) – The Inter-jurisdictional Support Orders Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'établissement et l'exécution réciproque des ordonnances alimentaires, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 29) – The Child Sexual Exploitation and Human Trafficking Act/Loi sur l'exploitation sexuelle d'enfants et la traite de personnes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mr. SCHULER,

And Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 31) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

The debate was allowed, by leave, to remain in the name of Mrs. TAILLIEU.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SWAN:

THAT Bill (No. 37) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Accident Reporting Requirements)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (exigences en matière de rapports d'accident), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH:

THAT Bill (No. 17) – The Cooperatives Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les coopératives, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. PEDERSEN 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH:

THAT Bill (No. 30) – The Change of Name Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le changement de nom, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. PEDERSEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH:

THAT Bill (No. 35) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act (Cell Phone Contracts)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur (contrats de téléphonie cellulaire), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. PEDERSEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH:

THAT Bill (No. 39) – The Grieving Families Protection Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la protection des familles en deuil (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mr. SCHULER,

And Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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 resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH:

THAT Bill (No. 40) – The Condominium Act and Amendments Respecting Condominium Conversions (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les condominiums et modifications législatives en matière de conversion en condominium, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

The debate was allowed, by leave, to remain in the name of Mrs. TAILLIEU.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH:

THAT Bill (No. 43) – The Real Property Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les biens réels, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

The debate was allowed, by leave, to remain in the name of Mr. PEDERSEN.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH:

THAT Bill (No. 36) – The Adult Abuse Registry Act and Amendments to The Vulnerable Persons Living with a Mental Disability Act/Loi sur le registre des mauvais traitements infligés aux adultes et modifications concernant la Loi sur les personnes vulnérables ayant une déficience mentale, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mrs. MITCHELSON having spoken,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 6, 2011.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.