



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 25

SECOND SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

(No. 21) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Impoundment of Vehicles — Ignition-Interlock Program)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (mise en fourrière des véhicules — programme de verrouillage du système de démarrage)

(Hon. Mr. SWAN)

(No. 202) – The Increased Transparency and Accountability Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la transparence et la responsabilité (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

(Mrs. STEFANSON)

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. WISHART – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the appropriate Ministers of the Provincial Government consider repairing St. Ambroise Provincial Park and its access points to their pre-flood conditions so the park can be re-opened for the 2013 season or earlier if possible. (J. Hofer, T. Hofer, P. Holle and others)

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Local Government afford local governments the respect they deserve and reverse his decision to force municipalities with fewer than 1,000 constituents to amalgamate. (B. J. Burton, D. Orr, R. Wasslen and others)

Mr. PEDERSEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Minister responsible for Manitoba Hydro create a complete and transparent "Needs For And Alternatives To" review of Manitoba Hydro's total capital development plan to ensure the financial viability of Manitoba Hydro. (L. Ferris, G. Latimer, J. Latimer and others)

Mr. GRAYDON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to repair or replace the existing bridge as soon as possible to allow communities on both sides of the river to return to regular activities. (B. Manning, G. Janzen, R. Storoschuk and others)

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

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

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. GOERTZEN, GAUDREAU and FRIESEN, Ms. CROTHERS and Ms. BRAUN made Members' Statements.

The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS:

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

And the proposed amendment moved by Mr. PALLISTER as follows:

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

therefore regrets this budget fails to address the priorities of Manitobans by:

- a) ignoring the taxpayer protection laws that safeguard Manitoba families; and
- b) saddling Manitoba families with crushing and unnecessary taxes that don't allow them to prosper and save for the future; and
- c) failing to tame a \$500 million structural deficit created through 13 years of overspending; and
- d) failing to promise a full and transparent review of all Provincial Government spending; and
- e) failing to control growth of low spending priorities such as advertising and vote taxes; and
- f) stifling economic growth and prosperity through excessive red tape and unwarranted taxation.

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

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Mrs. ROWAT, Ms. WIGHT, Mr. HELWER, Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS and Mr. PEDERSEN having spoken.

And Hon. Ms. MELNICK speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 19, 2013.

Hon. Daryl REID,
Speaker.