

Tuesday, October 24, 2017



PRAYER

SITTING AT 10:00 A.M.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

**CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:**

Hon. Mr. WHARTON –

(No. 218) – The Red Tape Reduction Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de la réduction du fardeau administratif – **Selected Bill (Second Reading vote held April 27)**

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**DEBATE ON CONCURRENCE AND THIRD READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:**

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. CURRY –

(No. 215) – The Civil Service Amendment Act (Employment Preference for Reservists with Active Service)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la fonction publique (embauche préférentielle des réservistes ayant été en activité de service)

(amended – Report Stage)  
(Hon. Mr. FLETCHER – 4 mins)

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**SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:**

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 202) – The Insurance Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les assurances

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 203) – The Electoral Divisions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les circonscriptions électorales

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 205) – The Brookside Cemetery Recognition Act/Loi sur la désignation du cimetière Brookside

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 206) – The Legal Profession Amendment Act (Queen's Counsel Appointments)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la profession d'avocat (nomination de conseillers de la Reine)

Ms. KLASSEN –

(No. 209) – The Mental Health Amendment and Personal Health Information Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé mentale et la Loi sur les renseignements médicaux personnels

Ms. FONTAINE –

(No. 210) – The Children's Advocate Act/Loi sur le protecteur des enfants

Mr. HELWER –

(No. 211) – The Settlement of International Investment Disputes Act/Loi sur le règlement des différends internationaux relatifs aux investissements

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 212) – The Conflict of Interest Act/Loi sur les conflits d'intérêts

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 213) – The Gift of Life Act (Human Tissue Gift Act Amended)/Loi sur le don de la vie (modification de la Loi sur les dons de tissus humains) – **Selected Bill (Second Reading vote to be held October 31)**

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 225) – The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba

Ms. FONTAINE –

(No. 227) – The Provincial Court Amendment Act (Mandatory Training and Continuing Education)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Cour provinciale (exigences en matière de perfectionnement et de formation continue)

Mr. SWAN –

(No. 228) – The Life Leases Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les baux viagers

Mr. SWAN –

(No. 232) – The Health Services Insurance Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assurance-maladie

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**DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS – PUBLIC BILLS:**

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. LINDSEY –

(No. 217) – The Labour Relations Amendment Act (Right to Collective Bargaining)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les relations du travail (droit à la négociation collective)  
(Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN – 9 mins)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. ALLUM –

(No. 216) – The Financial Administration Amendment Act (Economic Indicators)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la gestion des finances publiques (indicateurs économiques)  
(Mr. HELWER – 8 mins)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. ALTEMEYER –

(No. 220) – The Environmental Rights Act/Loi sur les droits environnementaux  
(Mr. SMITH (Southdale) – 9 mins)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. ALTEMEYER –

(No. 219) – The Surface Water Management Act (Amendments to Various Acts to Protect Lakes and Wetlands)/Loi sur la gestion des eaux de surface (modification de diverses lois visant la protection des lacs et des terres humides)  
(Hon. Mr. WISHART – 9 mins)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. SWAN –

(No. 224) – The Family Law Reform Act (Putting Children First)/Loi sur la réforme du droit de la famille (mesures pour le mieux-être des enfants)  
(Mr. MICKLEFIELD – 9 mins)

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. KINEW –

(No. 231) – The Education Administration Amendment Act (First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education Policy Framework)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'administration scolaire (cadre stratégique sur l'éducation et l'histoire des Premières nations, des Métis et des Inuits)  
(Mr. JOHNSTON – 8 mins)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. GERRARD –

(No. 200) – The Human Rights Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des droits de la personne  
(Mr. CURRY – 8 mins)

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**RESOLUTION:**

**Hon. Mr. GERRARD – Dwarfism Awareness**

23. WHEREAS October is Dwarfism Awareness Month in many countries of the world and is dedicated to increasing public knowledge, creating positive awareness, changing negative misconceptions and increasing opportunities for people born with dwarfism; and

WHEREAS today, various Little People organizations exist worldwide, including Little People of Manitoba (LPM) because of the parent organization Little People of America (LPA) formed in 1957 by people like actor Billy Barty and his commitment to inclusiveness and his dedication to our community; and

WHEREAS the first LPA meeting was monumental for a group of people who were severely mislabeled and misunderstood by society and the LPM is a non-profit, registered charity, dedicated to creating awareness about prominent issues and providing social support for people with dwarfism; and

WHEREAS it is the mission of LPM to create awareness and to educate the general public about dwarfism; to promote a positive image of people of short stature; to provide social, emotional and educational support to people of short stature and their families; to encourage life-long acquaintanceship; and to enhance life opportunities for all little persons in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS in declaring October 25 as Dwarfism Awareness Day, LPM hopes to raise awareness that “People with dwarfism are no different than any other person. We may just need a well-placed stool.”; and

WHEREAS established in Winnipeg in 1981, LPM is part of a worldwide network of Little People organizations with membership consisting of persons of short stature, as well as families and friends from different genders, ethnicities, socio-economic status and sexual orientations; and

WHEREAS approximately one in 40,000 people are born with dwarfism, eighty percent of them have average height parents and siblings who have a 50-50 chance of passing the dwarfism gene on to their child; and

WHEREAS it does not generally affect cognitive abilities, there are over 200 distinct forms of dwarfism and skeletal dysplasia which affect bone growth resulting in a typical height range of 2'8" to 4'5"; and

WHEREAS in July 2009 the word “midget” was declared inappropriate and offensive and persons born with dwarfism prefer to be referred to by their own name, other acceptable terms are: having dwarfism, short stature, little person, LP, and the medical terminology use of dwarf.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government be urged to increase opportunities and promote awareness for persons with dwarfism and dedicate October 25th annually as Dwarfism Awareness Day.

**Mr. SARAN – Establishment of Private Members’ Entitlement Equity**

24. WHEREAS all Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) equally perform constituency and provincial services irrespective of their party affiliation; and

WHEREAS the Independent Members’ mandates and accountability to their constituents are as equal as those of the Opposition Party Members in the House; and

WHEREAS Independent Members’ legislative duties and office management needs are of equal nature and merit not unlike other Members in the House; and

WHEREAS parliamentary privilege entitles Independent Members to equal rights inside and outside the Legislature; and

WHEREAS constituents demand that the Independent Members represent their voice by asking equal number of questions in proportion of the number of Opposition Members; and

WHEREAS constituents demand that the Independent Members be treated equally and equitably, and be entitled to ask equal number of questions in the committees by proportionate distribution of questions among the Opposition Members; and

WHEREAS the Independent Members hold equal right to speak, and submit statements by proportionate distribution of the same between the Opposition Members; and

WHEREAS the Independent Members hold equal right to receive automatic distribution of their entitlements from the Legislative Assembly rather than requesting each time; and

WHEREAS Independent Members should have the right to attend meetings in which Provincial Government and Official Opposition House Leaders meet to discuss Legislative Assembly related issues; and

WHEREAS the Independent Members hold equal entitlement to receive efficient office management services from equal number of staff allocated by proportionate distribution of staff among the Opposition Members.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to take the necessary steps to entitle Independent Members with equal number of questions in the House and committees, statements and speeches, and meetings as well as allocation of equal number of office staff in proportion of the number of Opposition Members.

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**DEBATE ON RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Mr. LINDSEY – Port of Churchill  
(Mr. JOHNSON – 8 mins./126 mins. remaining)
2. Mr. LAGIMODIERE – Reducing the Devastating Effects of Illicit Opioids  
(Hon. Mr. GERRARD – 2 mins./122 mins. remaining)

3. Ms. FONTAINE – Support for Refugees and Newcomers  
(Ms. LAMOUREUX – 9 mins./123 mins. remaining)
4. Mr. TEITSMA – Protecting Children and Youth from Viewing Violent, Sexually Explicit Material Online  
(Ms. LATHLIN – 6 mins./122 mins. remaining)
5. Mr. WIEBE – Protecting Health Care for Seniors and Families  
(Mr. LAGIMODIERE – 5 mins./123 mins. remaining)
7. Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – Protect Manitoba’s Provincial Nominee Program  
(Hon. Mr. SCHULER – 8 mins./122 mins. remaining)
8. Mr. GRAYDON – Recognizing the Historic Investment in Manitoba’s Agricultural Processing Capabilities  
(Mr. MALOWAY – 8 mins./124 mins. remaining)
9. Mr. KINEW – Keeping Post-Secondary Education Affordable for Students and Families  
(Mr. NESBITT – 1 min./122 mins. remaining)
11. Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – Provincial Government’s Plan to Shutter Three Winnipeg Emergency Rooms Will Undermine Patient Care and Hurt Families and Seniors  
(Mr. NESBITT – 9 mins./127 mins. remaining)
12. Mr. CURRY – Promotion of E-waste Disposal / Recycling  
(Open/123 mins. remaining)
13. Mr. SWAN – Extension of Care  
(Mr. NESBITT – 7 mins./123 mins. remaining)
15. Ms. LATHLIN – Recognizing Indigenous Peoples as Founding Nations of Canada  
(Mr. ISLEIFSON – 3 mins./124 mins. remaining)
17. Mr. ALLUM – Mental Health Promotion Tools and Recovery Oriented Framework for Mental Health  
(Hon. Mr. GERRARD – 7 mins./130 mins. remaining)
18. Mr. MARTIN – Previous Provincial Government’s Hydro Mismanagement  
(Mr. ALTEMEYER – 9 mins./127 mins. remaining)
19. Mr. MALOWAY – Committing to an East-West Power Grid for Manitoba  
(Mr. PIWNIUK – 3 mins./133 mins. remaining)
20. Mr. ALTEMEYER – Protecting Manitoba Lakes and Rivers  
(Mr. JOHNSON – 1 min./122 mins. remaining)

21. Mr. HELWER – Withdrawal of the Federal Government's Proposal on Tax Planning Using Private Corporations  
(Hon. Mr. GERRARD – 1 min./123 mins. remaining)
22. Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – Protecting Low Income Manitobans  
(Mr. TEITSMA – 6 mins./123 mins. remaining)
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**SITTING AT 1:30 P.M.**

## **ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

Hon. Mrs. COX –

(No. 41) – The Government Notices Modernization Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la modernisation de la publication des avis du gouvernement (modification de diverses lois)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER –

(No. 204) – The Statutory Holidays Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur les jours fériés (modification de diverses dispositions législatives)

Mr. SWAN –

(No. 229) – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Conflict of Interest Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les conflits d'intérêts au sein de l'Assemblée législative et du Conseil exécutif

Mr. SWAN –

(No. 230) – The Executive Government Organization Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'organisation du gouvernement

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Mr. KINEW  
Ms. LATHLIN  
Mr. LINDSEY  
Mr. MALOWAY  
Ms. MARCELINO (Logan)  
Mr. SELINGER  
Mr. WIEBE

**GRIEVANCES**

**ORDERS OF THE DAY (continued)**

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY**

(30 hrs. 30 mins.)  
(Chamber – Justice)  
(Room 255 – Sustainable Development)  
(Room 254 – Executive Council)

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**DEBATE ON SECOND READINGS:**

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN –

(No. 34) – The Medical Assistance in Dying (Protection for Health Professionals and Others)  
Act/Loi sur l'aide médicale à mourir (protection des professionnels de la santé et autres)  
(Question Period – 15 mins.)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. FRIESEN –

(No. 36) – The Budget Implementation and Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2017/Loi d'exécution  
du budget de 2017 et modifiant diverses dispositions législatives en matière de fiscalité  
(Mr. MALOWAY – 4 mins.)

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. PEDERSEN –

(No. 39) – The Canadian Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Labour Mobility Act and  
Regulated Health Professions Act Amended)/Loi sur la mise en œuvre de l'accord de libre-échange  
canadien (modification de la Loi sur la mobilité de la main-d'œuvre et de la Loi sur les professions de la  
santé réglementées)

(Mr. LINDSEY – 28 mins.)

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**SECOND READINGS:**

Hon. Mr. EICHLER –

(No. 35) –The Agricultural Producers' Organization Funding Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement d'organismes de producteurs agricoles

Hon. Mrs. COX–

(No. 37) – The Concussion in Youth Sport Act/Loi sur les commotions cérébrales chez les jeunes athlètes

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON –

(No. 40) – The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative

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**DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT MOTION:**

On the Proposed Motion of Mr. MICKLEFIELD –

THAT notwithstanding any Rule or Practice of this House, Bill (No. 213) – The Civil Service Amendment Act (Employment Preference for Reservists with Active Service)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la fonction publique (embauche préférentielle des réservistes ayant été en activité de service) be reinstated during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 41<sup>st</sup> Legislature at the stage it was at when the 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 41<sup>st</sup> Legislature was prorogued.

(Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) – unlimited)

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**DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION:**

On the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN – Long Term, Sustainable and Flexible Healthcare Funding

WHEREAS health care is the single largest budget item for provinces and territories, each of whom is responsible for the delivery of quality health services for Canadians; and

WHEREAS provinces pay more than 75 per cent of health care costs and the Federal Government continues to reduce growth in health care funding; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government's unilateral approach and refusal to engage in a discussion around the importance of a long term and sustainable partnership on health care funding should be of concern to every Manitoban; and

WHEREAS Manitoba is facing a challenging fiscal situation and the Federal Government's decision to reduce health care funding by more than \$1 billion over the next 10 years is going to put additional strain on the ability to provide services to Manitobans; and

WHEREAS federal funding is essential in order to address the increasing costs associated with the health care needs of the province's growing and aging population.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to reiterate the position of other governments representing 90 percent of Canada's population, that is, before any further discussion takes place on a renewed Health Accord, the First Ministers request a meeting with the Prime Minister regarding the need for long term, sustainable and flexible funding for the healthcare system and that if this is not accomplished, any proposed reduction in healthcare funding be delayed until 2018/19.

(Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) – 17 mins)

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**OPPOSITION DAY MOTION:**

Mr. KINEW –

THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to not institute any health care premium in Manitoba.

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## NOTICE PAPER

**NOTICE OF MOTION FOR WEDNESDAY:**

Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) –

(No. 233) – The Nanjing Massacre Commemoration Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de commémoration du massacre de Nankin

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**NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

The Standing Committee on SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on the following dates to consider a Bill referred:

- Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. (if necessary)
- Friday, October 27 at 10:00 a.m. (if necessary)

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The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to consider a Bill referred.

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The Standing Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES will meet in Room 254, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 and on Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to consider a Bill referred.

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The Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS will meet in Room 255, Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Bills referred.

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