



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 3**

**FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYERS**

**1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.**

Hon. Mr. ENNS presented:

Annual Report of Manitoba Agriculture for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998.

(Sessional Paper No. 3)

Also:

Annual Report of the Manitoba Agricultural Credit Corporation for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998.

(Sessional Paper No. 4)

Also:

Annual Report of the Manitoba Farm Mediation Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998.

(Sessional Paper No. 5)

Also:

Annual Report of the Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998.

(Sessional Paper No. 6)

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Following Routine Proceedings, Madam Speaker made the following statement:

Yesterday, I was troubled by some of the language used in Question Period but did not address it then because I wanted to check with the authorities to review past Manitoba practice.

Having reviewed the transcript of yesterday's QP and debate under Orders of the Day, at this time for the benefit of all Members, I would like to make clarification of rules respecting unparliamentary language – particularly quotations from other sources.

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Speaker Rocan on October 5, 1989 ruled that quoting words of another person which were unparliamentary is out of order. He also ruled on December 12, 1994 that words may not be used hypothetically or conditionally, if they are plainly intended to convey a direct imputation, as did Speaker Phillips on September 2, 1986. Speaker Graham in a statement on June 30, 1978 made reference to the parliamentary authority Erskine May which reads "A Member is not allowed to use unparliamentary words by the device of putting them in somebody else's mouth. This quotation is also contained in the current edition of Erskine May.

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Pursuant to Rule 20 (1), Messrs. McALPINE and LATHLIN, Mrs. DRIEDGER (Charleswood), Ms. CERILLI, and Mr. KOWALSKI made Members' Statements

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

For an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor in answer to His Speech at the Opening of the Session.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. DOER having spoken,

Mr. DOER moved in amendment as follows:

BUT this House regrets that this government has failed to meet the goals of Manitobans by failing to uphold basic democratic principles as key government officials were involved in a vote rigging plot, which as the Monnin Inquiry states, "... constitutes an unconscionable debasement of the citizen's right to vote. To reduce the voting rights of individuals is a violation of our democratic system.";

And has thereby lost the trust and confidence of the people of Manitoba and this House.

WHEREUPON Mr. Deputy Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

And the debate continuing, on the amendment,

And Hon. Mr. McCRAE, Mr. REID, and Hon. Mr. STEFANSON having spoken,

And Mr. SANTOS speaking at 5:45 p.m.,

The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

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The House then adjourned at 5:45 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

Hon. Louise Dacquay,  
Speaker.