



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 53

THIRD SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYERS

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Readings of Public Bills as listed under Orders of the Day.

Mrs. TAILLIEU moved:

THAT Bill (No. 200) – The Personal Information Protection Act/Loi sur la protection des renseignements personnels, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. TAILLIEU, Messrs. LAMOUREUX and REIMER having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mr. MARTINDALE, adjourned.

Mr. MAGUIRE moved:

THAT Bill (No. 204) – The Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists Act/Loi sur les audiologistes et les orthophonistes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

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

Mr. EICHLER moved:

Resolution No. 1: CAIS and the Deposit

WHEREAS Manitoba farmers have found that the deposit requirement to the Canadian Agricultural Income Stabilization (CAIS) program has become a major hindrance to their access of the CAIS program supports which ties up much needed money that could be used for other farm expenses; and

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WHEREAS many producers are forced into loan situations in order to come up with the deposit, further pushing the producers deeper into debt; and

WHEREAS many banks are even refusing to lend money to farmers who offer their future cash payments as security because the banks have little confidence in how the money will be paid; and

WHEREAS our agriculture producers who have suffered through difficult circumstances such as BSE, drought, frost or tariffs are fed up with empty government promises that aid is finally coming their way; and

WHEREAS the Canadian House of Commons passed a resolution on February 8th, 2005 which stated: That, in light of numerous recent disasters affecting agricultural communities across Canada and the government's failure to deliver timely relief to struggling farmers, whether by the Canadian Agricultural Income Stabilization (CAIS) program or other programs, the House call on the government to immediately drop the CAIS deposit requirement and honour the commitments it has already made to Canadian producers; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government recognized the need to remove the deposit requirement in their Budget delivered on February 23rd and committed to working with the provinces and territories to make the change; and

WHEREAS Manitoba's economy is heavily reliant on the health of the agricultural sector and the economic toll of these crises on the province's producers will ultimately be borne by all Manitobans; and

WHEREAS Manitoba can be the leader in the country that pushes for a positive step forward for Manitoban and Canadian producers by advocating the removal of the CAIS deposit, thus enabling more farmers to access to the supports.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to consider supporting the February 8th House of Commons resolution which supported eliminating the deposit requirement for the CAIS program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Province Government to consider lobbying their provincial government counterparts across Canada to ensure that there are seven provinces who support the changing of the CAIS program to remove the deposit requirement.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. EICHLER, Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK, Mr. PENNER, Hon. Messrs. STRUTHERS and GERRARD having spoken,

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

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. LOEWEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to recognize the need for a public high school in the southwest region of Winnipeg and in conjunction with the Public Schools Finance Board, to consider adequate funding to establish a high school in the southwest sector of Winnipeg. (G. Breckman, C. Lowden, P. Quigley and others)

Mr. ROCAN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and Trade to consider conducting a review of the circumstances outlined and to consider making a recommendation for redress to the Government of Manitoba. (J. Perrin, J Perrin, S. Perrin)

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Premier of Manitoba to consider covering the cost of insulin pumps that are prescribed by an Endocrinologist or Medical Doctor under the Manitoba Health Insurance Plan. (B. Poitras, L. Baldwin, K. Unrau and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Provincial Government to consider adopting generally accepted accounting principles in reporting Manitoba's budgetary numbers. (L. Francisco, J. Gabuna, D. Francisco and others)

On motion of Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Bill (No. 210) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Bicycle Helmets)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (casques de bicyclettes), was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Ms. IRVIN-ROSS, Messrs. LOEWEN, SANTOS, GOERTZEN and SCHELLENBERG made Members' Statements.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed for the concurrence motion to be considered in the Committee of Supply at 4:00 p.m.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. ALLAN:

THAT Bill (No. 25) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. DYCK and REIMER having spoken,

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

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

THAT Bill (No. 17) – The Regional Health Authorities Amendment and Manitoba Evidence Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les offices régionaux de la santé et la Loi sur la preuve au Manitoba, 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. ROCAN,

And Mrs. STEFANSON and Mr. LAMOUREUX 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. SALE:

THAT Bill (No. 42) – The Health Services Insurance Amendment and Prescription Drugs Cost Assistance Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assurance-maladie et la Loi sur l'aide à l'achat de médicaments sur ordonnance, 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. ROCAN,

And Mrs. STEFANSON 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. SALE:

THAT Bill (No. 43) – The Regulated Health Professions Statutes Amendment Act/Loi modifiant diverses lois sur les professions de la santé réglementées, 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. ROWAT,

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And Mrs. STEFANSON and Mr. LAMOUREUX 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. SELINGER:

THAT Bill (No. 20) – The Life Leases Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les baux viagers, 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. ROCAN,

And Messrs. DERKACH, LAMOUREUX and MAGUIRE 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. SELINGER:

THAT Bill (No. 24) – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act (Cost of Credit Disclosure and Miscellaneous Amendments)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection du consommateur (communication du coût du crédit et modifications diverses), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. LOEWEN having spoken,

And Mr. LAMOUREUX speaking at 4:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name and, by leave, in the name of Mr. ROCAN.

The House resolving into Committee of Supply. The Proceedings, by leave, were temporarily interrupted to permit Mr. Speaker to resume the Chair.

And the House continuing in Committee.

The House then adjourned at 5:32 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 30, 2005.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.