



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 39

THIRD SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. CULLEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 205) – The Seniors' Rights Act/Loi sur les droits des aînés, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. CULLEN, Hon. Ms. BLADY, Mr. PEDERSEN, Ms. WIGHT and Mr. BRIESE having spoken,

And Hon. Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that the Agriculture Awareness Day Resolution will be considered on Tuesday, April 15, 2014.

Mr. CALDWELL moved:

Resolution No. 8: Veteran Services

WHEREAS Manitobans owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to veterans who selflessly served to protect us at home and around the world; and

WHEREAS the men and women who served Canada in the armed forces should be able to count on the Federal Government for services and support; and

WHEREAS the Brandon Veteran Affairs district office has provided veterans and their families with access to specialized staff in claims processing, service eligibility and mental health assistance since 1979; and

WHEREAS Service Canada offices are not equipped to handle the complex needs of veterans without additional resources; and

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WHEREAS the Federal Government's recent closure of the Brandon district office, and others across Canada, will impede veterans from gaining access to the services upon which they rely; and

WHEREAS the mental health crisis facing Canadian soldiers and veterans requires increased service delivery, rather than cuts to key programs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Federal Government to reverse its decision to close Veteran Affairs district offices; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Federal Government to immediately address the mental health crisis facing Canadian soldiers and veterans through increased service delivery.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. CALDWELL and HELWER, Ms. CROTHERS, Mr. PIWNIUK, Ms. WIGHT and Mr. EWASKO having spoken,

And Mr. FRIESEN 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. FRIESEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to reverse the PST increase and to restore the right of Manitobans to vote in a referendum on increases to the PST. (D. Patterson, B. Wiens, J. Wiebe and others)

Mr. EWASKO – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government and the Minister of Health to ensure that the Beausejour District Hospital and Primary Care Centre have a primary care physician available on weekends and holidays to better provide area residents with this essential service. (M. Stobert, M. Kaatz, P. Zanewich and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge that the Provincial Government restore the services provided to the affected communities until the Provincial Government conducts public consultations and provides an alternative solution that maintains or increases the level of service provided in the local area. (M. Snedden, L. Morrell, M. Nicholson and others)

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2014-2015 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Sustainable Development Innovations Fund.

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Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2014-2015 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Conservation and Water Stewardship.

(Sessional Paper No. 34)

Hon. Mr. SWAN presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2014-2015 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Justice.

(Sessional Paper No. 35)

Hon. Mr. ALLUM presented:

Annual Report of The Public Schools Finance Board for the year ending June 30, 2013.

(Sessional Paper No. 36)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. FRIESEN and JHA, Mrs. STEFANSON and Messrs. PETTERSEN and BRIESE made Members' Statements.

By unanimous consent, the sequence for consideration of estimates, as outlined in Sessional Paper No. 25 tabled on March 18, 2014, was further amended in order that the estimates of Education and Advanced Learning be considered in the Chamber for Tuesday afternoon, April 8, 2014, only.

The House resolved into Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, 2014.

Hon. Daryl REID,
Speaker.