



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 1

FIRST SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

This being the first meeting of the Forty-Second Legislature for the dispatch of business pursuant to a Proclamation of Her Honour, Janice FILMON, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Manitoba, Patricia Chaychuk, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, laid upon the Table of the House the names of the elected candidates, submitted by the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to section 174 of The Elections Act, returned at the General Election held on September 10, 2019, to serve in this Legislature. The Clerk having been authorized to administer the Oath to the Members present who, after having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took their seats in the House.

ELECTORAL DIVISION	MEMBER ELECTED
Agassiz	CLARKE, Hon. Eileen
Assiniboia	JOHNSTON, Scott
Borderland	GUENTER, Josh
Brandon East	ISLEIFSON, Len
Brandon West	HELWER, Reg
Burrows	BRAR, Diljeet
Concordia	WIEBE, Matt
Dauphin	MICHALESKI, Brad
Dawson Trail	LAGASSÉ, Bob
Elmwood	MALOWAY, Jim
Flin Flon	LINDSEY, Tom
Fort Garry	WASYLIW, Mark
Fort Richmond	GUILLEMARD, Sarah
Fort Rouge	KINEW, Wab
Fort Whyte	PALLISTER, Hon. Brian
Interlake-Gimli	JOHNSON, Derek
Keewatinook	BUSHIE, Ian
Kildonan-River East	COX, Hon. Cathy
Kirkfield Park	FIELDING, Hon. Scott
La Vérendrye	SMOOK, Dennis
Lac du Bonnet	EWASKO, Wayne

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Lagimodière	SMITH, Andrew
Lakeside	EICHLER, Hon. Ralph
McPhillips	MARTIN, Shannon
Midland	PEDERSEN, Hon. Blaine
Morden-Winkler	FRIESEN, Hon. Cameron
Notre Dame	MARCELINO, Malaya
Point Douglas	SMITH, Bernadette
Portage la Prairie	WISHART, Ian
Radisson	TEITSMA, James
Red River North	WHARTON, Hon. Jeff
Riding Mountain	NESBITT, Greg
Riel	SQUIRES, Hon. Rochelle
River Heights	GERRARD, Hon. Jon
Roblin	DRIEDGER, Hon. Myrna B.
Rossmere	MICKLEFIELD, Andrew
Seine River	MORLEY-LECOMTE, Janice
Selkirk	LAGIMODIERE, Alan D.
Southdale	GORDON, Audrey
Springfield-Ritchot	SCHULER, Hon. Ron R.
Spruce Woods	CULLEN, Hon. Cliff
St. Boniface	LAMONT, Dougald
St. James	SALA, Adrien
St. Johns	FONTAINE, Nahanni
St. Vital	MOSES, Jamie
Steinbach	GOERTZEN, Hon. Kelvin
Swan River	WOWCHUK, Rick
The Maples	SANDHU, Mintu
The Pas-Kameesak	LATHLIN, Amanda
Thompson	ADAMS, Danielle
Transcona	ALTOMARE, Nello
Turtle Mountain	PIWNIUK, Doyle
Tuxedo	STEFANSON, Hon. Heather
Tyndall Park	LAMOUREUX, Cindy
Union Station	ASAGWARA, Uzoma
Waverley	REYES, Jon
Wolseley	NAYLOR, Lisa

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His Honour, Chief Justice Richard CHARTIER having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

Hon. Mr. CULLEN then said:

"I am directed by His Honour the Administrator to inform you that he will not declare the causes of calling this Legislature until a Speaker has been elected in accordance with the Law."

His Honour, the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

Pursuant to the provision of Rule 6, the House proceeded to the Election of the Speaker.

The Clerk informed the House that the following Members declared their intention to stand as candidates for the Election of The Speaker:

Mrs. Myrna DRIEDGER, Member for the Electoral Division of Roblin

Ms. Cindy LAMOUREUX, Member for the Electoral Division of Tyndall Park

Mrs. Bernadette SMITH, Member for the Electoral Division of Point Douglas

Members then proceeded to cast their ballots.

The Clerk then informed the House that Mrs. Myrna DRIEDGER, Member for the Electoral Division of Roblin, had been duly elected to the Office of the Speaker in accordance with Sub-rule 8(8).

After being declared, Mrs. Myrna DRIEDGER was conducted to the Chair by Hon. Mr. PALLISTER and Mr. KINEW, and invested with the Speaker's robes of office, when she returned her acknowledgements to the House as follows:

"Honourable Members of the Forty-Second Legislative Assembly:

I wish to thank the Members for the high honour the House has conferred on me. I leave the floor of this House to take the Speaker's chair. I leave behind all political and partisan feelings and I intend to carry out the important duties of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly with impartiality and to the best of my ability."

His Honour, the Administrator, having re-entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

Madam Speaker then addressed His Honour:

Your Honour, the Legislative Assembly has elected me as its Speaker. On behalf of the Assembly, it is my duty to claim all the Assembly's traditional rights and privileges, especially the privilege of freedom of speech in debate and access to your Honour when required. I ask you to give the most favourable consideration to the Assembly's proceedings.

Hon. Mr. CULLEN then said:

"Madam Speaker:

His Honour is confident that the Assembly's proceedings will be conducted with wisdom and prudence. In addition, His Honour grants the Assembly's claim to its traditional rights and privileges. His Honour will declare the causes of calling this Legislative Assembly on Monday, September 30th at 1:30 p.m."

His Honour, the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

The House then recessed at 10:41 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, September 30, 2019.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M

His Honour, the Administrator, was pleased to open the session with the following gracious speech:

Madam Speaker and members of the Manitoba Legislature, I welcome you to the first session of the Forty-second Legislative Assembly of the Province of Manitoba.

I offer my congratulations to all new and returning members of this Assembly.

I also offer the congratulations and appreciation of all Manitobans to all candidates who sought election to this Assembly in the recent election.

Your commitment and contribution to the vitality of our democracy is deserving of our respect.

To all Manitobans, your government is grateful for the honour to continue serving the people of our province.

You have renewed your government's mandate to continue its mission of fixing Manitoba's finances, repairing its services and rebuilding its economy.

While significant progress was made in all three areas during the previous term, much work remains to be done in order to complete the task of moving Manitoba forward towards greater prosperity for all.

As a government that keeps its promises, your government will continue to work to make Manitoba more economically competitive by reducing regulatory red tape and encouraging innovation.

Passage of The Business Registration, Supervision and Ownership Transparency Act (Various Acts Amended) will help Manitoba complete implementation of the New West Partnership Trade Agreement, and will provide Manitobans with more access to customers and opportunities across Western Canada.

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Your government will address the issue of addictions, and honour its obligation to keep our streets safe from crime.

And your government will continue to work to strengthen our education system, support families in need and deliver better health care sooner for all Manitobans.

In the coming days, this Assembly will be asked to complete all necessary legislative requirements in order to fully implement the measures outlined in Budget 2019.

Measures that increase funding for health care, education and families.

Measures that increase support for tourism and our creative industries, while also investing more than \$1 billion in strategic infrastructure.

And most importantly, measures that lower the provincial sales tax to seven per cent.

In 2011, the previous government was elected based on its promise to not raise the provincial sales tax and a commitment to let Manitobans vote on major tax hikes.

Just eighteen months later, both of those promises were broken.

After making more goods and services subject to the PST, the PST rate was increased to eight per cent without the consent of Manitobans.

That increase took more than \$300 million annually off the kitchen tables of Manitobans.

The previous government took more from Manitobans and gave less.

Your government is committed to taking less from Manitobans and giving them more.

Reducing the PST back to seven per cent is part of your government's plan to guarantee \$2,020 in tax savings for Manitobans over the next years.

Manitobans have given your government the mandate to move Manitoba forward, toward a stronger economy, better services, and better jobs.

The work to achieve those goals resumes today; they will continue to guide the decisions of this government throughout its mandate.

It is the path Manitobans have chosen, it is the bright future they deserve, and it is what your government will work hard to deliver.

I now leave you to the business of the session, knowing that you will faithfully discharge your duties and responsibilities.

May Divine Providence continue to bless our province and guide this Assembly in all of its deliberations.

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God Bless Manitoba.

God Bless Canada.

And God Save the Queen.

His Honour, the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

MADAM SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR

PRAYER

On Motion of Hon. Mr. PALLISTER, Bill (No. 1) – An Act Respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office; Loi sur la prestation des serments d’entrée en fonction, was read a First Time.

On motion of Hon. Mr. PALLISTER:

ORDERED that Doyle PIWNIUK, Member for the Electoral Division of Turtle Mountain, be Chairperson of the Committees of the Whole House and Deputy Speaker.

On motion of Hon. Mr. PALLISTER:

ORDERED that Dennis SMOOK, Member for the Electoral Division of La Vérendrye, be Deputy Chairperson of the Committees of the Whole House.

On motion of Hon. Mr. PALLISTER:

ORDERED that Andrew MICKLEFIELD, Member for the Electoral Division of Rossmere, be Deputy Chairperson of the Committees of the Whole House.

On motion of Hon. Mr. PALLISTER:

ORDERED that the Speech of His Honour, the Administrator be taken into consideration today.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

By leave, it was agreed that the debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be limited to three Members, in the following order: the Leader of the Official Opposition, the Member for St. Boniface and the Premier. Each Member's speech would be limited to five minutes, and following the third speech the Speaker would be obligated to put the question on the motion.

Mr. LAGASSÉ moved, seconded by Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE:

THAT the following address be presented to His Honour the Administrator:

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba thank your Honour for the gracious speech addressed to us at this First Session of the Forty-Second Legislature of Manitoba.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. KINEW and LAMONT and Hon. Mr. PALLISTER having spoken.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

By leave, Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT the following Sessional Order applies for the 1st Session of the 42nd Legislature, despite any other rule or practice of this House.

Sitting Schedule for September and October 2019

1. Subject to the following, the House shall sit Monday to Thursday from 1:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. from September 30, 2019 until October 10, 2019:

(a) On Friday, October 4, 2019, as a separate sitting day, the House shall sit at 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. to consider Departmental Estimates in the Committee of Supply. The Speaker shall not call Routine Proceedings on this day, only Orders of the Day.

(b) On Friday, October 11, 2019, the House shall sit at 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. to consider Routine Proceedings and Orders of the Day, subject to item 10.

(c) The House shall not sit on the mornings of Tuesday, October 1, 2019 and Thursday, October 3, 2019.

(d) If there are more than 40 hours of Estimates time remaining when the House rises on Friday, October 4, 2019, the House shall then sit on the mornings of Tuesday, October 8, 2019 and Thursday, October 10, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to consider Departmental Estimates. If there are fewer than 40 hours of Estimates time remaining when the House rises on Friday, October 4, 2019, the House shall not sit on the mornings of Tuesday, October 8, 2019 and Thursday, October 10, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Budget Process

Reinstatement of Financial process from the 4th Session – 41st Legislature

2. The steps or segments of the financial process introduced and concluded during the 4th Session of the 41st Legislature shall be reinstated in this 1st Session of the 42nd Legislature as follows:

(a) The introduction, debate and adoption of the Budget motion and Messages of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor tabled on March 7, 2019 shall be deemed to have been introduced, considered and concluded during the 1st Session of the 42nd Legislature and that the ensuing steps of the financial process be continued in this current session.

(b) The sequence for consideration of the Departmental Estimates by the Committee of Supply, tabled in this House on March 21, 2019, shall be reinstated and remain in effect for the duration of this Session, subject to any subsequent amendment agreed to by the House Leaders of the Recognized Parties.

(c) The Departmental Estimates shall be reinstated during the 1st Session of the 42nd Legislature at the same stage they were when the 4th Session of the 41st Legislature was dissolved, with 92 hours and 26 minutes left for consideration of the same.

(d) The consideration of Departmental Estimates must be concluded by Thursday, October 10 and reported to the House by Friday, October 11, 2019. On Thursday, October 10, subject to item 15, if all Departmental Estimates resolutions have not passed, the Chairpersons of the Committee of Supply shall immediately put all questions necessary to dispose of the remaining matters. These questions are not subject to debate, amendment or adjournment.

(e) The consideration of all remaining steps in the Main and Capital Supply Procedure set out in Appendix D of the Rules, Orders and Forms of Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba (“the Rules”) must be concluded by Friday, October 11, 2019.

Reinstatement of Bill (No. 22)

Reinstatement of Bill (No. 22) – The Business Registration, Supervision and Ownership Transparency Act (Various Acts Amended) from the 4th Session – 41st Legislature

3. Bill (No. 22) – The Business Registration, Supervision and Ownership Transparency Act (Various Acts Amended) is to be reinstated during the 1st Session of the 42nd Legislature at the same Second Reading stage it was at when the 4th Session of the 41st Legislature was dissolved.

Conclusion of Second Reading, Committee Stage, Report Stage Amendment and Concurrence and Third Reading on Bill (No. 22)

4. Second Reading stage on Bill (No. 22) is to be completed on or before Wednesday, October 2, 2019. If necessary, 30 minutes prior to the adjournment hour on Wednesday, October 2, 2019, the Speaker must interrupt the proceedings and, without seeing the clock, put all questions necessary to conclude, without further debate or amendment, the Second Reading stage of Bill (No. 22).

5. Rule 92(7) of the Rules, regarding the requirement for two-day's notice of a Standing Committee meeting, is to be waived for Bill (No. 22).

6. Committee stage on Bill (No. 22) is to be completed no later than Monday, October 7, 2019 and reported to the House on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

7. If the Committee stage is not completed by the noted date, the following provisions are to apply if a Committee is sitting:

(a) The Committee shall not rise until clause by clause is completed and the question to report the Bill has been decided by the Committee.

(b) If the Committee has not completed public presentations, it must close public presentations at 9:00 p.m. By unanimous consent the deadline can be extended to 10:00 p.m. The public has the ability to provide written submissions for an additional 24 hours.

(c) At 11:00 p.m. any member of the Committee who wishes to move an amendment to Bill (No. 22) must file 20 copies of the amendment with the Clerk of the Committee, and the Clerk must distribute the amendment to members of the Committee. After that time, an amendment may be moved only if copies of it were filed with the Clerk and distributed as required by this provision.

(d) At midnight the Chair of the Committee must interrupt the proceedings and, without further debate or amendment (other than an amendment distributed as required by paragraph (c)), put every question necessary to complete clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill under consideration.

8. Report Stage Amendment and the Concurrence and Third Reading stages of Bill (No. 22) are to be completed on or before Thursday, October 10, 2019. If necessary, subject to item 15, the Speaker must interrupt the proceedings and, without seeing the clock, put all questions necessary to conclude, without further debate or amendment, the Report Stage Amendment and the Concurrence and Third Reading stages of Bill (No. 22).

9. At any time this session when the House is considering any stage of Bill (No. 22), the two sections of Supply in the committee rooms may meet concurrently with the House to consider departmental estimates. The Chamber section of Supply will not meet at these times and the House will be in session in the Chamber to debate Bill (No. 22). During such sittings:

(a) If there is a recorded vote requested in the House, the two sections of Supply must recess for the duration of that vote.

(b) If there is a recorded vote requested in a section of Supply, the House must temporarily interrupt proceedings to resolve into Supply so that the Chamber section may convene, receive the request for a recorded vote, and then conduct the vote in accordance with Rules 77(10), 77(11) and 77(12). Following the vote, the Chamber section may rise to allow the House to resume consideration Bill (No. 22) while the two sections of Supply continue meeting.

(c) If on any day the House concludes its consideration of Bill (No. 22) prior to the adjournment hour, the House may resolve into Supply so that the Chamber section may consider departmental estimates.

Adjournment on Friday, October 11, 2019

Matters to be completed before adjournment on Friday, October 11, 2019

10. The House is to not see the clock or adjourn on Friday, October 11, 2019, until the items set out in this Sessional Order are completed and Royal Assent has been granted to the following Bills:

(a) Bill (No. 22) – The Business Registration, Supervision and Ownership Transparency Act (Various Acts Amended);

(b) The Loan Act, 2019 and The Appropriation Act, 2019.

11. At the conclusion of the actions required by this Sessional Order, the Speaker must adjourn the House without a motion for adjournment. The House then stands adjourned until the call of the Speaker.

General Provisions

Recorded Divisions

12. A recorded division on any item referred to in this Sessional Order cannot be deferred.

Interruption of proceedings

13. Where this Sessional Order requires the Speaker or a Chairperson to interrupt proceedings to take any action:

(a) the House will not adjourn on that day until the Speaker or Chairperson has put all the applicable questions on all items; and

(b) at 30 minutes prior to the adjournment hour, the Speaker or Chairperson will interrupt debate and put all questions with no further debate or amendment.

Priority of actions to be taken

14. On Monday, September 30, 2019 the Speaker shall call:

(a) The category “Tabling of Reports” from Routine Proceedings to allow for all remaining volumes of Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates to be tabled, followed by:

(b) Orders of the Day – to allow the House to resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider Departmental Estimates.

15. On Thursday, October 10, 2019, if these actions have not already been concluded, at 30 minutes prior to adjournment they will be considered and resolved in the following order:

(a) The Chairpersons of the Committee of Supply shall put all questions necessary to dispose of the remaining Departmental Estimates resolutions.

(b) The Speaker shall put all questions necessary to conclude the Report Stage Amendment and the Concurrence and Third Reading stages of Bill (No. 22).

16. Where:

(a) this Sessional Order requires the Speaker or a Chairperson to take any action at a specified time; and

(b) at the specified time, a Point of Order or Matter of Privilege has been raised and is under consideration by the House or Committee;

the Point of Order or Matter of Privilege is to be set aside, and no other Point of Order or Matter of Privilege may be raised, until the required action has been taken and all matters relating to the required action have been resolved.

Amendments

17. After adoption by the House, this Sessional Order may be amended by unanimous consent of the House.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

As per the Sessional Order the House resolved into Tabling of Reports.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure
Estimates – Education and Training.
(Sessional Paper No. 2)

Hon. Mr. CULLEN presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure
Estimates – Justice.
(Sessional Paper No. 3)

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure
Estimates – Families.
(Sessional Paper No. 4)

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure
Estimates – Health, Seniors and Active Living.
(Sessional Paper No. 5)

Hon. Mr. FIELDING presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure
Estimates – Civil Service Commission.
(Sessional Paper No. 6)

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure
Estimates – Employee Pensions and Other Costs.
(Sessional Paper No. 7)

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure
Estimates – Enabling and Other Appropriations.
(Sessional Paper No. 8)

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Sustainable Development.
(Sessional Paper No. 9)

Hon. Mr. EICHLER presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Agriculture.
(Sessional Paper No. 10)

Hon. Mrs. COX presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Sport, Culture and Heritage.
(Sessional Paper No. 11)

Hon. Mr. PEDERSEN presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Growth, Enterprise and Trade.
(Sessional Paper No. 12)

Hon. Ms. CLARKE presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Indigenous and Northern Relations.
(Sessional Paper No. 13)

Hon. Mr. WHARTON presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Municipal Relations.
(Sessional Paper No. 14)

Hon. Mr. SCHULER presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2019-2020 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Infrastructure.
(Sessional Paper No. 15)

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As per the Sessional Order the House resolved in to Orders of the Day.

The House resolved into Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 1, 2019.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.