



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 53

THIRD SESSION, THIRTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYERS

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petition was presented:

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba request the Minister of Education to reverse the decision to split the Transcona-Springfield School Division and allow it to remain as a whole or to consider immediately convening the Board of Reference to decide the matter (R. Mustard, F. Mustard, J. Mustard and others)

The following petitions were read and received:

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba request the Minister of Education to reverse the decision to split the Transcona-Springfield School Division and allow it to remain as a whole or to consider immediately convening the Board of Reference to decide the matter (M. Sweet, T. Mustard, J. Mustard and others)

Mrs. SMITH (Fort Garry) – Government of Manitoba consider ensuring that local property and education taxes do not rise as a result of the offloading of provincial responsibilities onto the City of Winnipeg, the City of Brandon, the Fort Garry, Assiniboine South, Winnipeg No. 1, St. Boniface and St. Vital school divisions. (C. Baird, K. Krysanski, H. Krysanski and others)

Hon. Mr. LATHLIN, the Minister of Conservation made a statement regarding an update on the flooding situation in southern Manitoba,

Mr. ENNS commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH presented:

Annual Report of the Seizure and Impoundment Registry for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002.

(Sessional Paper No. 169)

By leave, Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK introduced Bill (No. 38) – The Public Health Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la santé publique, and outlined the purposes thereof, it was read a First Time.

Monday, June 24, 2002

Pursuant to Rule 23(1), Ms. ASPER, Mrs. STEFANSON, Messrs. RONDEAU and DYCK and Ms. ALLAN made Members' Statements.

By leave, the House reverted to "Ministerial Statements and Tabling of Reports."

Hon. Ms. MCGIFFORD presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2002-2003 - Departmental Expenditure Estimates - Education, Training and Youth and Advanced Education.

(Sessional Paper No. 170)

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections would meet at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 4, 2002, concurrently with the House.

By leave, it was agreed to waive the quorum requirement in the House for the duration of the meeting of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections for Thursday, July 4, 2002.

By unanimous consent, the sequence for consideration for estimates, as outlined in Sessional Paper No. 124 tabled on April 30, 2002, was further amended in order that the Estimates of Education, Training and Youth be considered in Room 255 for Tuesday, June 25, 2002, Wednesday, June 26, 2002 and Thursday, June 27, 2002, only.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 13) – The Medical Laboratory Technologists Act/Loi sur les technologistes de laboratoire médical, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. DRIEDGER, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 25) – The Hearing Aid Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les appareils auditifs, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Mr. ENNS 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.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 26) – The Occupational Therapists Act/Loi sur les ergothérapeutes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK having spoken,

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

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 28) – The Registered Dietitians Act/Loi sur les diététistes, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. DRIEDGER, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 31) – The Medical Amendment (Physician Profiles and Miscellaneous Amendments) Act/Loi modifiant la Loi médicale (profils des médecins et modifications diverses), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. DRIEDGER, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT Bill (No. 37) – The Non-Smokers Health Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection de la santé des non-fumeurs, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. DRIEDGER, adjourned.

Hon. Ms. MCGIFFORD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 33) – The Private Vocational Institutions Act/Loi sur les établissements d'enseignement professionnel privés, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. MCGIFFORD having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. STEFANSON, adjourned.

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH moved:

THAT Bill (No. 34) – The Charter Compliance Act/Loi sur l'observation de la Charte, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH having spoken,

The debate was, on motion of Mrs. STEFANSON, adjourned.

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

THAT Bill (No. 29) – The Engineering and Geoscientific Professions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les ingénieurs et les géoscientifiques, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. SCHULER speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

Mr. FAURSCHOU moved:

Resolution No. 19: Devotion of Transportation Taxes and Fees to Highway Infrastructure

WHEREAS the Government of Manitoba receives \$67 million in revenues each year from motive fuel taxes; and

WHEREAS the Government of Manitoba receives another \$157 million in revenues each year from gasoline taxes; and

WHEREAS while all of the 11.5 cents per litre gasoline tax is spent on the Department of Transportation and Government Services, only 6 cents per litre are dedicated to capital spending; and

WHEREAS the Manitoba Lower Tax Commission has recommended converting gasoline and motive fuel tax revenues to a type of user fee by dedicating them to spending on the transportation system; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Taxpayers Federation has recommended the dedication of fuel tax revenues to highway construction and maintenance; and

WHEREAS the Government of Manitoba receives \$60 million in revenues each year from automobile and motor carrier licences and fees; and

WHEREAS the Government of Manitoba receives \$14 million in revenues each year from driver licences; and

WHEREAS the Government of Manitoba will receive an additional \$5.7 million in revenues due to the \$10 increase in vehicle registration fees announced in April of 2001; and

WHEREAS the Manitoba Heavy Construction Association has recommended dedicating the revenues from the \$10 increase directly to highways improvement; and

WHEREAS the Manitoba Heavy Construction Association has also indicated that, to bring provincial highways up to an acceptable standard and begin making modest improvements, the highways capital budget should be increased to \$240 million by 2005 and maintained at that level for the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS Manitobans who contribute to the Government of Manitoba's revenue by paying licencing fees, fuel taxes and other transportation costs should receive a correlating benefit of improved roadways and infrastructure.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to consider implementing a dedicated fund into which revenue from all fuel taxes, licence and registration fees is deposited and used solely for the maintenance and improvement of transportation infrastructure.

And a debate arising,

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And Messrs. FAURSCHOU, JENNISSEN, REID, LOEWEN and SANTOS having spoken,

And Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF speaking at 6:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

The House then adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2002.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.