



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 38

FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYERS

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that the morning of Thursday, June 3, 1999 would consist of two separate Private Members' Business hours.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that Private Members' Business would be waived for the afternoon of Thursday, June 3, 1999, only.

By leave, Mr. DYCK for Mr. HELWER moved:

Resolution No. 11: Employment Insurance Surplus

WHEREAS under the Employment Insurance Act the Government of Canada collects premiums from employees and employers in order to insure workers for periods of unemployment; and

WHEREAS the cumulative surplus in the Employment Insurance account is more than \$19 billion, which exceeds the funds necessary to ensure the stability of the Employment Insurance program; and

WHEREAS the recent cut in Employment Insurance premiums will only reduce the anticipated annual surplus of \$7 billion by a \$1.1 billion; and

WHEREAS these surplus funds are channeled away from workers to cover the costs of other federal government programs; and

WHEREAS Employment Insurance premiums act as a tax on new job creation; and

WHEREAS lowering Employment Insurance premiums would encourage job creation in Canada; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the federal government to lower Employment Insurance premiums further; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the federal government to use any Employment Insurance surplus for programs that directly benefit workers.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. DYCK, LATHLIN and SALE having spoken,

During the debate, Hon. Mr. NEWMAN rose on a point of order regarding comments made by the Honourable Member for Crescentwood with regards to the absence of an Honourable Member,

And Mr. SALE voluntarily withdrew his remarks.

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. WOWCHUK speaking at 11:00 a.m.

The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

Mr. DEWAR moved:

Resolution No. 13: Environmental Assessments

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has made it a practice to licence developments in stages; and

WHEREAS licensing in stages allows one phase of construction to begin before the whole development has been reviewed, which increases the pressure to license all stages of a development regardless of public concern; and

WHEREAS the practice of licensing in stages has meant that Manitobans are restricted from commenting on the impacts of a development in its entirety; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government passed the Sustainable Development Act which states that all environmental decisions should provide due process and meaningful opportunity for public participation and should incorporate an intergenerational perspective of future needs and consequences; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has continued the practice of staged licensing in the case of the Maple Leaf Plant in Brandon; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government went against its own Sustainable Development Act and against the recommendations of its Environmental Advisory Council by not having public hearings on the Maple Leaf development in its entirety before construction began.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to consider following the guidelines set out in the Sustainable Development Act and amend the Environment Act to end the practice of licensing developments in stages.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. DEWAR, Hon. Mrs. McINTOSH, Ms. BARRETT, Hon. Messrs. CUMMINGS and McCRAE having spoken,

And Hon. Mr. DERKACH speaking at 12:00 p.m.

The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

1:30 O’CLOCK P.M.

Mr. LAURENDEAU, Chairperson of the Committee of Supply presented the Report of the Proceedings of the Committee of June 2, 1999 as follows:

IN THE COMMITTEE

The following Resolutions were adopted:

14.1 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding TWO MILLION, SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS for CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CITIZENSHIP:

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE \$2,635,600.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

14.2 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding THIRTY-TWO MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS for CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CITIZENSHIP:

CULTURE, HERITAGE AND RECREATION
PROGRAMS \$32,244,500.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

14.3 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding TEN MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS for CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CITIZENSHIP:

INFORMATION RESOURCES \$10,467,500.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

14.4 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding SEVEN MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS for CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CITIZENSHIP:

CITIZENSHIP AND MULTICULTURALISM..... \$7,722,300.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

14.5 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding FOUR MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS for CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CITIZENSHIP:

CAPITAL GRANTS..... \$4,705,900.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

14.6 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS for CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CITIZENSHIP:

AMORTIZATION OF CAPITAL ASSETS..... \$560,900.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

16.2 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding THIRTY-TWO MILLION, FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS for EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

SCHOOL PROGRAMS..... \$32,045,900.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

16.3 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding SEVEN MILLION, SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS for EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

BUREAU DE L'ÉDUCATION FRANÇAISE \$7,652,600.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

16.4 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS for EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

SUPPORT TO SCHOOLS \$685,149,900.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

16.5 RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding EIGHTY-FIVE MILLION, SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS for EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

TRAINING AND CONTINUING EDUCATION \$85,675,600.00

for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 2000.

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Resolutions were reported.

Report was received and the Committee of Supply obtained leave to sit again.

During Oral Questions, Mr. MACKINTOSH rose on a point of order regarding the interjection of Madam Speaker during his question.

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker informed the House she would take the matter under advisement.

Pursuant to Rule 20 (1), Messrs. HELWER, JENNISSEN, DYCK, EVANS (Brandon East) and KOWALSKI made Members' Statements.

On motion of Mr. HELWER:

ORDERED that the composition of the Standing Committee on Municipal Affairs be amended as follows:

Monday, June 7, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.:
Mr. FAURSCHOU for Mr. DOWNEY.
Hon. Mr. RADCLIFFE for Mr. LAURENDEAU.

On motion of Mr. HICKES:

ORDERED that the composition of the Standing Committee on Municipal Affairs be amended as follows:

Monday, June 7, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.:
Mr. SALE for Mr. REID.

By unanimous consent, the Section of the Committee of Supply, sitting in the Chamber, be allowed to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. for Thursday, June 3, 1999.

Madam Speaker having left the Chair and the House resolving itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty;

And the House continuing in Committee.

The House then adjourned at 5:44 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday next.

Hon. Louise Dacquay,
Speaker.