



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS** No. 27

**FOURTH SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYERS**

**10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.**

Ms. KORZENIOWSKI moved:

THAT Bill (No. 204) – The Good Samaritan Protection Act/Loi sur l'immunité du bon samaritain, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. KORZENIOWSKI having spoken,

And Mr. LAMOUREUX moved:

THAT the debate be now adjourned.

And the Question being put. It was negatived.

During the debate, Mr. LAMOUREUX withdrew the Matter of Privilege that he previously raised.

And by leave, Mr. MARTINDALE having spoken,

By leave, the debate was, on motion of Mr. LAMOUREUX, adjourned.

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Mr. DERKACH moved:

Resolution No. 6: Interfacility Ambulance Transfers

WHEREAS currently any individual who is transferred by ambulance from one health care facility to another, but is not returned within a 24-hour period, must incur the full cost of that transfer;

WHEREAS there are no exceptions to this policy, even for those patients whose transfer is a direct result of this NDP Government's failure to recruit and retain doctors in rural Manitoba;

WHEREAS physician shortages throughout rural Manitoba have resulted in the closure of emergency rooms and the downgrading of services in many rural communities;

WHEREAS the closures have forced rural Manitobans to be transferred to Winnipeg and other urban centers in order to receive health care services that would normally be available much closer to home;

WHEREAS patients are then assessed substantial bills as a result of their ambulance transfers;

WHEREAS it is unacceptable for the NDP Government to offload the costs of ambulance transfers to patients and taxpayers;

WHEREAS a spokesperson for Manitoba Health has stated that this policy needs to be fixed because "*it underscores there are inequities in the system.*"

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Premier and the Minister of Health to consider stopping the current practice of treating Manitobans outside the city of Winnipeg limits as second-class citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Premier and the Minister of Health to consider paying the costs of all interfacility ambulance transfers, where a physician orders the transfer in order for the patient to access medically necessary health care services not locally available or services only available in urban centres.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. DERKACH, Hon. Mr. SALE, Messrs. PENNER and MARTINDALE, Mrs. ROWAT, Mr. REID, Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

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

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**1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.**

The following Bills were severally read a First Time:

(No. 14) – The Water Rights Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les droits d'utilisation de l'eau

(Hon. Mr. ASHTON)

(No. 21) – The Public Health Act/Loi sur la santé publique

(Hon. Mr. SALE)

(No. 207) – The Personal Information Protection and Identity Theft Prevention Act/Loi sur la protection des renseignements personnels et la prévention du vol d'identité

(Mrs. TAILLIEU)

(No. 208) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code de la route  
(Mrs. ROWAT)

(No. 209) – The Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists Act/Loi sur les audiologistes et les orthophonistes  
(Mr. MAGUIRE)

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The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. ROWAT – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Transportation and Government Service to consider providing sufficient resources to enhance driver and vehicle safety on Highway 10 and to consider upgrading Highway 10. (D. McTavish, R. Lamine, D. J. Schofield and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to consider the need to seek clarification on why the Government did not act on fixing the Crocus fund back in 2001. (H. Gill, N. White, K. Drayson and others)

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By leave, Ms. BRICK, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Justice, presented its Second Report, which was read as follows:

**Meetings:**

Your Committee met on Thursday, December 8, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 254 of the Legislative Building.

**Matters Under Consideration:**

- **Bill** (No. 9) – The Farm Practices Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des pratiques agricoles
- **Bill** (No. 18) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Countermeasures Against Impaired Drivers and Other Offenders)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (contre-mesures visant les personnes ayant conduit avec les facultés affaiblies et d'autres contrevenants)

**Committee Membership:**

Committee Membership for the December 8, 2005 meeting:

- Mr. AGLUGUB
- Ms. BRICK
- Mr. CALDWELL
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. EICHLER
- Mr. FAURSCHOU

- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH
- Mr. SWAN
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Your Committee elected Ms. BRICK as Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Mr. AGLUGUB as Vice-Chairperson.

**Bills Considered and Reported:**

- **Bill** (No. 9) – The Farm Practices Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des pratiques agricoles

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill** (No. 18) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Countermeasures Against Impaired Drivers and Other Offenders)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (contre-mesures visant les personnes ayant conduit avec les facultés affaiblies et d'autres contrevenants)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

On motion of Ms. BRICK, the Report of the Committee was received.

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Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. ROCAN, ALTEMEYER, DYCK, JHA and MAGUIRE made Members' Statements.

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By unanimous consent, it was agreed that the word "Practices" be removed from the English title of Bill (No. 20).

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

THAT Bill (No. 5) – The Dental Hygienists Act/Loi sur les hygiénistes dentaires, reported from the Standing Committee on Human Resources, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mrs. STEFANSON,

And Mr. DYCK having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

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

THAT Bill (No. 6) – The Dental Association Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Association dentaire, reported from the Standing Committee on Human Resources, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. DYCK, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. DERKACH having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

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By leave, Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH moved:

THAT Bill (No. 9) – The Farm Practices Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des pratiques agricoles, reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH, Messrs. DERKACH, PENNER, LAMOUREUX and EICHLER having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

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By leave, Bill (No. 18) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Countermeasures Against Impaired Drivers and Other Offenders)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (contre-mesures visant les personnes ayant conduit avec les facultés affaiblies et d'autres contrevenants), reported from the Standing Committee on Justice, was concurred in, read a Third Time and passed.

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

THAT Bill (No. 13) – The Conservation Districts Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les districts de conservation, 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. DYCK,

And Messrs. PENNER and 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.

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His Honour, John HARVARD, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Manitoba, having entered the House at 4:49 p.m., and being seated on the Throne:

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:

Your Honour,

At this sitting, the Legislative Assembly has passed certain Bills that I ask Your Honour to give assent to.

(No. 2) – The Private Investigators and Security Guards Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les détectives privés et les gardiens de sécurité

(No. 3) – The Enforcement of Canadian Judgments Act/Loi sur l'exécution des jugements canadiens

(No. 5) – The Dental Hygienists Act/Loi sur les hygiénistes dentaires

(No. 6) – The Dental Association Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Association dentaire

(No. 8) – The Official Time Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le temps réglementaire

(No. 9) – The Farm Practices Protection Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des pratiques agricoles

(No. 10) – The Convention Centre Corporation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Corporation du Centre des congrès

(No. 18) – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act (Countermeasures Against Impaired Drivers and Other Offenders)/Loi modifiant le Code de la route (contre-mesures visant les personnes ayant conduit avec les facultés affaiblies et d'autres contrevenants)

To this Bill the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly as follows:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour assents to these Bills."

At 4:53 p.m., His Honour was then pleased to retire.

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**Thursday, December 8, 2005**

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

THAT Bill (No. 17) – The Securities Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les valeurs mobilières, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

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.

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

THAT Bill (No. 12) – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la voirie et le transport, 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. DYCK,

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.

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Pursuant to Rule 2(1), the House then adjourned at 4:57 p.m., Thursday, December 8, 2005.

Hon. George HICKES,  
Speaker.