



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 17**

**FIFTH SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER**

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

In accordance with Rule 31(9), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Taxpayer Fairness for Manitobans Resolution will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members' Business.

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By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 209).

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Mrs. STEFANSON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 209) – The Capital Projects Transparency Act/Loi sur la transparence en matière de projets d'immobilisations, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. STEFANSON, Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK, Mr. PEDERSEN, Hon. Mr. ASHTON and Mr. BOROTSIK having spoken,

And Mr. DEWAR speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

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Mrs. TAILLIEU moved:

Resolution No. 4: Child Welfare in Chaos

WHEREAS in 2010 Manitoba's acting Children's Advocate said that Manitoba's child welfare system is in "chaos," a system rushed into place by the current Provincial Government; and

WHEREAS children continue to be at risk and are underserved by this Provincial Government's failure to improve its chaotic child welfare system; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government's child welfare system is failing children in the worst way possible by not keeping them safe; and

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WHEREAS more than five years after Phoenix Sinclair's horrific death children are still being moved from safe, loving foster homes; and

WHEREAS in October 2010 Dillon 'Breana' Belanger died while in the care of the Provincial Government's failing child welfare system after having been removed from a long-term foster home and placed in the care of her mother; and

WHEREAS in June 2009 20 month old Jaylene Sanderson-Redhead was killed by her mother while under the supervision of a Manitoba child welfare agency; and

WHEREAS in September 2010 a six year old boy, who had previously been in foster care, had to go to police and child welfare officials four times begging for help from the abuse he was suffering at the hands of his parents before he was finally removed from their care; and

WHEREAS in 2006, after the tragic death of Gage Guimond, who was also removed from a long-term foster care placement, a review conducted under Section 4 of the Child and Family Services Act led to a report containing 144 recommendations, many of which have not been implemented; and

WHEREAS Recommendation 47 of the Section 4 Review into the death of Gage Guimond requires: "That any decision to move a child when there are no child protection concerns contain a written reason for this decision including reference to the impact on the child, the appropriateness of the move in accordance with the child's stage of development and the degree of attachment to the caregiver."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government consider immediately implementing Recommendation 47 of the Section 4 Review into the death of Gage Guimond; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Provincial Government consider immediately placing a moratorium on moving children from safe, long-term foster placements until a transparent, system-wide public review of the child welfare system is carried out.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. TAILLIEU, Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH, Mrs. STEFANSON, Ms. SELBY, Mrs. MITCHELSON and Mr. MARTINDALE having spoken,

And Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK 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.**

On motion of Mr. HAWRANIK, Bill (No. 210) – The Seniors' Rights Act/Loi sur les droits des aînés, was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

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The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. BOROTSIK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider making the Province of Manitoba a leader in CCSVI research and to move forward with clinical trials as soon as possible. (B. Reynolds, J. White, D. Allen and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Transportation consider holding a public consultation process with Springfield residents to present design options and rationale for the planned changes to PTH#15 and Hwy#206 intersection, and also in regards to the planned hard median at a public open house in Dugald and to recognize the value of the businesses affected by the proposed changes, as well as the lives and well-being of the students, seniors and citizens of Manitoba. (I. Boyko, S. King, T. Gillespie and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Justice to consider working with the RCMP, the federal government and communities to develop strategies to address service challenges in rural Manitoba, such as the possibility of having response units that could be dispatched to regions affected by crime waves and to consider working with stakeholders to determine if the current RCMP detachment boundaries are designed to ensure the swiftest and most effective service delivery. (E. Brown, J. Bruce, M. Parsons and others)

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Justice to consider ensuring that all court orders for car thieves are vigorously monitored and enforced and to consider ensuring all breaches of court orders on car thieves are reported to police and vigorously prosecuted. (K. Drebit, A. Goot, P. Pittman and others)

Mrs. MITCHELSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider making the Province of Manitoba a leader in CCSVI research and to move forward with clinical trials as soon as possible. (R. Carver, A. Storm, L. McDonald and others)

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Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. WIEBE and MAGUIRE, Ms. BRICK, Messrs. CULLEN and NEVAKSHONOFF made Members' Statements.

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In accordance with Rule 27, Mr. GRAYDON rose on a Grievance.

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By leave, Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 2) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Winnipeg Police Service Auxiliary Cadets)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (cadets auxiliaires du Service de police de Winnipeg), 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. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 12) – The Highway Traffic Amendment and Drivers and Vehicles Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code de la route et la Loi sur les conducteurs et les véhicules, 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. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 4) – The Retail Businesses Holiday Closing Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les jours fériés dans le commerce de détail, reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. DYCK and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 3) – The Victims’ Bill of Rights Amendment Act (Denying Compensation to Offenders and Other Amendments)/Loi modifiant la Déclaration des droits des victimes (refus de versement d'indemnités aux auteurs d'infractions et autres modifications), reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 8) – The Legal Aid Manitoba Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'aide juridique du Manitoba, reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 9) – The Summary Convictions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les poursuites sommaires, reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. GOERTZEN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 7) – The Polar Bear Protection Amendment Act (International Polar Bear Conservation Centre)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des ours polaires (Centre international de conservation des ours polaires), 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. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. MAGUIRE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 5) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Historic Property Designations)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (désignations de biens historiques), reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. BRIESE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 10) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Citizenship Ceremonies)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congés relatifs aux cérémonies de citoyenneté), reported from the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, be concurred in and be now read a Third Time and passed.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mr. DYCK and Hon. Mr. GERRARD 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 6) – The Workers Compensation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les accidents du travail, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

(Recommended by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor)

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Ms. HOWARD, Mrs. TAILLIEU, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. REID 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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Hon. Ms. HOWARD presented:

Message from His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor recommending the disposition of public revenue for Bill (No. 6).

(Sessional Paper No. 25)

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His Honour, Philip LEE, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Manitoba, having entered the House at 3:46 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 City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Winnipeg Police Service Auxiliary Cadets)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (cadets auxiliaires du Service de police de Winnipeg)

(No. 3) – The Victims' Bill of Rights Amendment Act (Denying Compensation to Offenders and Other Amendments)/Loi modifiant la Déclaration des droits des victimes (refus de versement d'indemnités aux auteurs d'infractions et autres modifications)

(No. 4) – The Retail Businesses Holiday Closing Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les jours fériés dans le commerce de détail

(No. 5) – The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act (Historic Property Designations)/Loi modifiant la Charte de la ville de Winnipeg (désignations de biens historiques)

(No. 7) – The Polar Bear Protection Amendment Act (International Polar Bear Conservation Centre)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la protection des ours polaires (Centre international de conservation des ours polaires)

(No. 8) – The Legal Aid Manitoba Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la Société d'aide juridique du Manitoba

(No. 9) – The Summary Convictions Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les poursuites sommaires

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(No. 10) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act (Leave for Citizenship Ceremonies)/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi (congés relatifs aux cérémonies de citoyenneté)

(No. 12) – The Highway Traffic Amendment and Drivers and Vehicles Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code de la route et la Loi sur les conducteurs et les véhicules

To these Bills 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 3:50 p.m., His Honour was then pleased to retire.

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The House then adjourned at 3:51 p.m., Thursday, December 9, 2010.

Hon. George HICKES,  
Speaker.