



PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bill was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined:

(No. 37) – The International Child Support and Family Maintenance (Hague Convention) Act/Loi sur le recouvrement international des aliments destinés aux enfants et à d'autres membres de la famille (Convention de La Haye)

(Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN)

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN presented:

Budget 2022 – Erratum.

(Sessional Paper No. 56)

Hon. Ms. GORDON, the Minister of Health, made a statement regarding National Nurses Week.

MLA ASAGWARA and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Hon. Mr. PIWNIUK, the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, made a statement regarding the current flooding situation in Manitoba.

Mr. WIEBE and, by leave, Mr. LAMONT commented on the statement.

By leave, the House reverted to Tabling of Reports.

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN presented:

Supplement to the Estimates of Expenditure 2022-2023 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Finance.

(Sessional Paper No. 57)

Monday, May 9, 2022

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN, Messrs. BRAR, TEITSMA and SALA and Hon. Mr. LAGIMODIERE made Members' Statements.

Following Question Period, Mr. BUSHIE rose on a Matter of Urgent Public Importance and moved:

THAT the regular business of the House be set aside to discuss a matter of urgent public importance; namely the impact on the lives and livelihoods of Manitobans due to the flooding in and around Peguis First Nation, all through the Interlake, Red River Valley and other regions of Manitoba.

And Mr. BUSHIE and Hon. Messrs. GOERTZEN and GERRARD having spoken to the urgency of the motion,

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled as follows:

I thank Honourable Members for their advice to the Chair regarding the motion proposed by the Honourable Member for Keewatinook on a Matter of Urgent Public Importance.

As Members may recall, two conditions must be satisfied in order for this matter to proceed as a debate in this House. The first condition has been met in that I did receive a letter with notice of this MUPI more than 90 minutes prior to the start of Routine Proceedings, as required by Rule 38(1), and I thank the Honourable Member for that. The second condition is that the matter proposed for debate must be urgent, with no other reasonable opportunities available to fully debate the matter.

I have listened very carefully to the arguments put forward, and I agree that the impact of flooding is an issue that fits the criteria for a matter of urgent public importance, and that it should take precedence over other House business today. Many, many Manitobans across the province have been affected by the current flooding, and I feel that citizens would benefit from Members having an opportunity today to raise concerns and hear about proposed solutions in this Chamber. I feel the people of Manitoba would want to hear from their elected representatives regarding this crisis, and that a fulsome debate on the matter should take place as soon as possible.

I therefore rule this motion in order as a Matter of Urgent Public Importance.

Madam Speaker then put the Question, "Shall the debate proceed?"

It was negatived.

The House resolved into Committee of Supply.

By leave, the House agreed not to see the clock until the announcement of the meeting of the Standing Committee on Justice had been made.

The House then adjourned at 5:02 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.