



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 34**

**FIRST SESSION, FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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

Mr. JACKSON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 202) – The Community Foundation Day Act (Commemoration of Days, Weeks and Months Act Amended)/Loi sur la Journée des fondations communautaires (modification de la Loi sur les journées, les semaines et les mois commémoratifs), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. JACKSON having spoken,

And MLA PANKRATZ, Mr. KING, MLA LOISELLE and Mrs. HIEBERT having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And MLAs LOISELLE and DELA CRUZ, Hon. Mr. MOSES and MLA KENNEDY having spoken,

And MLA MOYES speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

MLA BEREZA moved:

Resolution No. 6: Calling on the Provincial Government to Remove the Federal Carbon Tax on Agriculture

WHEREAS many Manitobans are struggling to make ends meet with the high cost of groceries;  
and

WHEREAS farmers in Manitoba are struggling to compete in global markets where most grain is traded with the added costs of the Federal Carbon Tax; and

WHEREAS farmers are being unfairly targeted by the Federal Carbon Tax and it is directly hurting their ability to make money; and

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WHEREAS the profitability of farmers is impacted by the high cost of grain drying now that it also affected by the Federal Carbon Tax.

WHEREAS livestock producers have no alternative but to heat their barns in the winter with propane or natural gas causing increased costs of production; and

WHEREAS mushroom growers in the province are also forced to heat their production facilities with natural gas or propane driving up the cost of production; and

WHEREAS farmers are unfairly paying higher prices for fertilizer where the Federal Carbon Tax is impacting the yield of their crops, the health of the soil, and the productivity of their land; and

WHEREAS farmers are feeling that their hands are tied, and want this Provincial Government to listen to them.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to take measures that would in effect remove the Federal Carbon Tax on all agriculture related production.

And a debate arising,

And MLA BEREZA having spoken,

And Hon. Min. SCHMIDT and Messrs. WOWCHUK, PERCHOTTE and NARTH having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. BRAR, Hon. Mr. KOSTYSHYN and Mr. PIWNIUK having spoken,

And MLA PANKRATZ speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

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

By leave, the proceedings were interrupted to allow Hon. Mr. KINEW, the First Minister, to make a Government Statement regarding Edward Ambrose and Richard Beauvais.

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Pursuant to sub-rule 28(1), MLA DEVGAN, Mr. WHARTON, Hon. Min. NAYLOR, Mrs. HIEBERT and Hon. Min. ALTOMARE made Member's statements.

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During Oral Questions, the Speaker interjected and ruled that the words "shovels material traditionally found on the floor of barns" spoken by the Honourable Member for Portage la Prairie were unparliamentary.

WHEREUPON MLA BEREZA apologized for their remarks.

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The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:

Mr. BEREZA – To urge the Provincial Government to call on the Federal Government to remove the punishing carbon tax on natural gas and other fuels and farm inputs for Manitoba agriculture producers and the Agri-food sector to decrease the costs of putting food on the table for Manitoba consumers.

Ms. BYRAM – To urge the Provincial Government to remove the federal carbon tax on home heating bills for all Manitobans to provide them much needed relief.

Mrs. COOK – To urge the Provincial Government to remove the federal carbon tax on home heating bills for all Manitobans to provide them much needed relief.

Mrs. HIEBERT – To urge the Provincial Government to lobby the Federal Government to stop the expansion of medical assistance in dying to those for whom mental illness is the sole condition; and to protect Canadians struggling with mental illness by facilitating treatment, recovery, and medical assistance in living, not death.

Mr. JACKSON – To urge the Provincial Government to remove the federal carbon tax on home heating bills for all Manitobans to provide them much needed relief.

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The House resumed debate on the proposed motion of Hon. Min. MARCELINO:

THAT Bill (No. 9) – The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act/Loi modifiant le Code des normes d'emploi, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. KHAN, MLA BEREZA, Hon. Min. SCHMIDT and Mr. PIWNIUK having spoken,

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

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The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, 2024.

Hon. Tom LINDSEY,  
Speaker.