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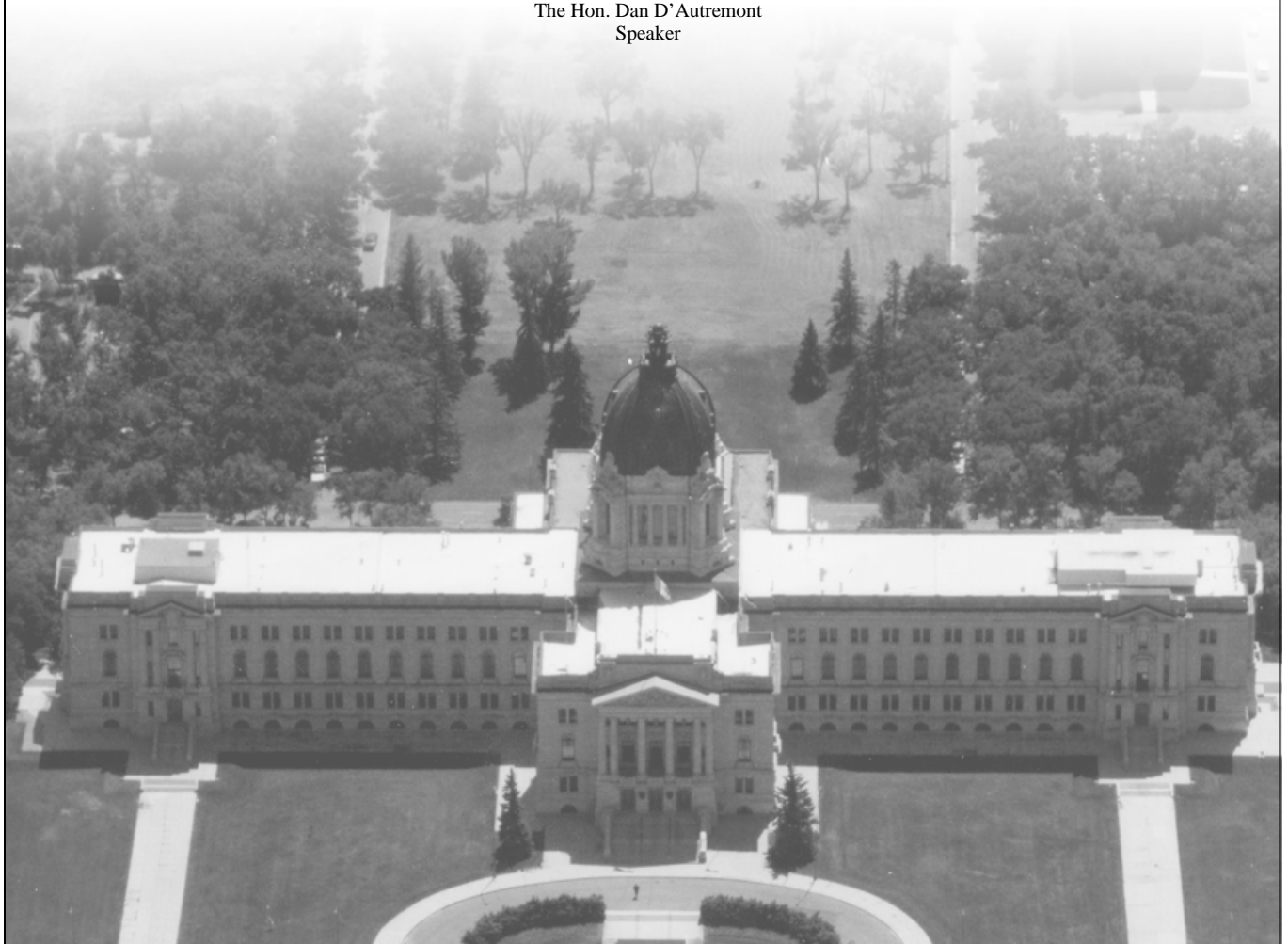
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[The Assembly met at 13:30.]

[Prayers]

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina South.

[Applause]

Mr. Hutchinson: — Thank you very much, colleagues, and thank you to you as well, Mr. Speaker. It's a great pleasure to introduce four young ladies who have joined us in your Speaker's gallery here today. They are Ms. Helen Huber, Ms. Agnes Ottmann, Ms. Betty Rivett, and Ms. Joyce Luther. And they're joining us as residents of Wintergreene Estates in the great constituency of Regina South. Hello, folks. Give us a wave. Yes, please.

Now as many folks here will know, Wintergreene is a great facility. It has wonderful people, wonderful staff, and I hear the food is pretty terrific too. Would you agree? Yes, I see a few nods up there. Joining these fine young ladies today is also Ms. Jolene Caswell who is the activities coordinator.

Mr. Speaker, I thank all of these folks for coming today, and I warmly encourage everybody to welcome them to their Legislative Assembly. Thank you.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Prince Albert Carlton.

Mr. Hickie: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To you and through you to all members of the Legislative Assembly, it is with a great pleasure and pride today I get to introduce to the House 31 students from grades 6, 7, and 8 from King George School in Prince Albert. It's my second school group to visit me in the Assembly since I was elected in 2007. So it's great to have the best and brightest from King George School here today.

With the students today in the west gallery are the teachers, Darlene Handley and Mr. Vince Brittain, accompanied by the chaperones Maxine and Darryl Dragseth. Now Darryl and I share the same first name. We also share a great time working together at the special handling unit of the penitentiary, Saskatchewan Penitentiary in Prince Albert, as correctional officers. And that was a great bond that we formed there. So it's good to see you, Darryl and Maxine, as well. And to the students, welcome. Enjoy your visit. Watch a lot that goes on today. Ask lots of questions to the tour guide because I get to talk to you on Friday morning at school, so I'm going to answer all your questions then. So thank you for joining us today.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister for the Economy.

Hon. Mr. Boyd: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, to you and to all members of the Legislative Assembly, I'd like to introduce guests in the Speaker's gallery from Merit Contractors Association of Saskatchewan. Our guests today are board members, Ian Knibbs from Coram Construction, Cory

Richter from Graham Construction, Denise Peter of Peter Crushing and Hauling, and Ron Carson of Carson Energy Services.

Mr. Speaker, our guests share a rich experience in the construction business, contributing their expertise and knowledge to the industry. Founded in 1988, Merit is the only open shop association in Saskatchewan providing support for business of all sizes. Mr. Speaker, I'd ask all members of the Legislative Assembly to join with me in welcoming our guests to their Legislative Assembly.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

Mr. Wotherspoon: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's my pleasure to join with the minister opposite and welcome these representatives of Merit Contractors Association here today to their Assembly. Thank you for joining us. We'll be joining you later for a meeting and a reception. And thank you for your work in the construction industry in our province and all you do within the economy of our province. So welcome to your Assembly. Thank you.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Coronation Park.

Mr. Docherty: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To you and through you, sitting in the west gallery is a group of nine individuals from the All Nations Healin' Thru the Artz. I had the pleasure of attending the sixth annual talent show fundraiser at the Regina Performing Arts Centre. And with us today, and give us a wave, is Monica Fogel, Scott Carson, Chuck Jordan, Jaime Reban, Challen McKay, Roland Brass, David Blondeau, Junestarr Toplikon-Bowers, and Raevon Pratt.

Mr. Speaker, the All Nations Healin' Thru the Artz is an after-school multimedia arts program that provides cultural teachings and life skills that runs for eight months. The talent show is the culmination of the program. And I ask all members to join me in welcoming this talented group to their legislature.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Mr. McCall: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to join with the member from Coronation Park in welcoming All Nations Healin' Thru Artz to their Legislative Assembly. Certainly with Scott, Chuck, Jaime, the rest of the group, but particularly I want to say a special welcome to Monica Fogel.

This is a group that works with young people, making sure that they've got that healthy way to express themselves through the arts and also to bring about that healing, Mr. Speaker. I didn't make this year's show and I'm sort of shamefaced to admit that here on the floor of the Assembly, Mr. Speaker, but I've made many of the ones before. And I know that the member from Coronation Park would have been in for a treat in terms of the production that would have been put on.

So I want to join with the member opposite in welcoming All Nations Healin' Thru Artz to their Legislative Assembly and to thank them for all the great work that they do.

PRESENTING PETITIONS

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Centre.

Mr. Forbes: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to present a petition against Saskatchewan health care laundry privatization. And we know that in May 2013 the Government of Saskatchewan announced its plan to privatize health care laundry in Saskatchewan, handing it over to a for-profit, Alberta-based corporation, K-Bro Linens. And we know that as a result of that decision to privatize health care laundry, six non-profit public health care laundry facilities will be closed within two years in the communities of Prince Albert, Moose Jaw, Yorkton, Weyburn, Regina, and Saskatoon. And we know that the privatization of health care laundry will mean that fair-wage jobs will be replaced with poverty wages and public accountability will be lost. I'd like to read the prayer, Mr. Speaker:

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your honourable Legislative Assembly be pleased to cause the government to reverse the misguided decision to privatize Saskatchewan's health care laundry which will result in the devastating loss of over 300 jobs in the communities of Prince Albert, Moose Jaw, Yorkton, Weyburn, Regina, and Saskatoon.

And moreover, the privatization of health care laundry will misuse vital taxpayer dollars by taking money out of Saskatchewan's health care system to boost the profits of an Alberta-based corporation; and furthermore, the privatization of health care laundry will put patient care at risk as Saskatchewan's health regions lose direct control over laundry and thereby will have a significantly reduced ability to quickly and effectively respond to infectious outbreaks in health care facilities.

And as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

Mr. Speaker, I do so present. Thank you.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

Mr. Wotherspoon: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to rise to present petitions on behalf of concerned residents as it relates to the lack of safety on Dewdney Avenue, the concerns over the inundation of Dewdney Avenue with heavy-haul truck traffic, a consequence of a decision made by that government. And the petition calls on government to act, recognizing that this was an issue created by this government and any further delays to address it and to ensure safety are entirely unacceptable. And the prayer reads as follows:

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your honourable Legislative Assembly call on the provincial government to immediately take action as it relates to the unacceptable danger, disturbance, and infrastructure damage caused by the heavy-haul truck traffic on Dewdney Avenue west of the city centre, to ensure the safety and well-being of communities, families, residents, and users; and that those actions and plans should include rerouting the heavy-haul truck traffic, receive provincial funding, and be developed through consultation with the

city of Regina, communities, and residents.

And as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

These petitions today are signed by concerned residents of Regina. I so submit.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Athabasca.

Mr. Belanger: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise again today to present a petition to build a second bridge for Prince Albert. And, Mr. Speaker, the petition reads as follows:

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your honourable Legislative Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to guarantee that a second bridge that serves central and northern Saskatchewan as well as the city of Prince Albert will receive a commitment from senior government.

And as in duty bound [Mr. Speaker], your petitioners will ever pray.

And the people that have signed this petition are from Regina and from all throughout Saskatchewan. And I so present.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Nutana.

Ms. Sproule: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise to present a petition for real action on climate change. And the people who bring this petition wish to bring to our attention the following: Saskatchewan produces the highest greenhouse gas emissions per capita in all of Canada, and slashing programs such as the Go Green Fund and the EnerGuide for Houses energy efficiency program set the province on a backwards course. Since 2009 the Government of Saskatchewan has reduced climate change funding by 83 per cent.

We, in the prayer that reads as follows, respectfully request that the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan enact a real plan and allocate appropriate funding in the provincial budget to tackle climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, helping families transition to energy-efficient homes, and encouraging everyone in the province to take real action to protect the environment.

Mr. Speaker, this petition is presented by individuals from Saskatoon and Martensville. I so present.

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Lakeview.

Saskatchewan Book Awards

Mr. Nilson: — Mr. Speaker, the 21st annual Saskatchewan Book Awards, which took place on April 26th at the Conexus Arts Centre in Regina, featured guest speaker Warren Cariou, originally from Meadow Lake.

Lisa Bird-Wilson from Saskatoon won the coveted University of Regina Book of the Year Award. Her book *Just Pretending*

was published by Coteau Books of Regina.

Regina's James Daschuk took home four awards for his remarkable book *Clearing the Plains: Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life*, published by the University of Regina Press.

The University of Regina Press was also recognized for *Fists Upon A Star: A Memoir of Love, Theatre, and Escape from McCarthyism* by Florence James with Jean Freeman.

Paul Wilson of Regina won the Poetry Award for his book *The Invisible Library*, published by Hagios Press, and Dianne Young of Martensville won the Children's Literature Award. Adam Pottle of Saskatoon took home the Saskatoon Book Award.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate all of the nominees and award winners for their outstanding works. I would also like to thank the Saskatchewan Book Awards staff and board for over two decades of work recognizing and celebrating excellence in Saskatchewan writing and publishing. Thank you.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Coronation Park.

Disability Strategy Public Consultations Begin

Mr. Docherty: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am pleased to announce that last night was the first public consultation for the Saskatchewan disability strategy. The public consultations are critical in helping our government create a strategy that will change how disability is viewed in our province and will support the inclusion of people who are impacted by disability.

The public, members of the disability community, community-based organizations, employers, municipalities, school divisions, post-secondary institutions, and health authorities will be able to participate in the public forums that will be taking place across the province from April 28th to May 29th. The public forums, led by the citizen consultation team, will be taking place in Swift Current, Yorkton, Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw, Estevan, Prince Albert, La Ronge, Melfort, North Battleford, and Meadow Lake. For those who are unable to attend but still wish to participate, online submissions and discussions are ongoing.

Mr. Speaker, the disability strategy will focus on six priority areas: employment, education, housing, transportation, community inclusion, and support for caregivers. Citizens will have the opportunity to address the issues they are facing in their lives and will be able to make recommendations for creating the best possible disability strategy for our province. All information collected through the public consultation forums, as well as online submissions and summaries of individual stakeholder meetings, will inform the strategy's development.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage the public and community to attend one of the many public forums to help create Saskatchewan's disability strategy. Thank you.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Saskatoon

Riversdale.

Innovation in Hemophilia Research

Ms. Chartier: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to bring to the attention of the Legislative Assembly some innovative work that will improve the lives of men living with hemophilia, a sex-specific inherited blood disorder that interferes with blood clotting.

This month people around the world recognized World Hemophilia Day, and I want to acknowledge the work by some Saskatchewan health and technology innovators who are working to improve the lives of people living with hemophilia, including Saskatoon physiotherapist JoAnn Nilson, and the development of a self-assessment tool for young men with mild hemophilia.

Now, along with colleagues in Manitoba, Nilson has collaborated with University of Saskatchewan computer scientists Richard Lomotey and Dr. Ralph Deters, and Mitacs, a Canadian non-profit that brings researchers and businesses together. The result is an iPhone app that will launch in May, allowing men to self-assess their condition and determine if they need medical attention.

I want to congratulate JoAnn Nilson and her Winnipeg counterpart Kathy Mulder, who will present their work at an international hemophilia conference in Melbourne, Australia in May. I understand the two physiotherapists will also receive a Bayer award for their research work.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the important work of JoAnn Nilson and her colleagues and the difference they are making in the lives of men with hemophilia. Thank you.

[13:45]

The Speaker: — I recognize the Government Whip.

Yorkton Terriers Saskatchewan Champions

Mr. Ottenbreit: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm very pleased to rise in the House today to recognize my constituency's hometown hockey team, the Yorkton Terriers, as the 2014 SJHL [Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League] Canalta Cup Champions.

The series started off with an intense game against the Melville Millionaires. The game went into the third period with the Millionaires one point up. With just 40 seconds remaining, Brett Boehm of the Yorkton Terriers scored, sending the game into overtime where Kailum Gervais scored just over two minutes in, winning the game for the Terriers.

Game 2 was another tense repeat of the previous game. Again, the Terriers were able to defeat the Melville Millionaires in overtime. In game 3, the Terriers had a quick lead and were able to beat the Millionaires with an easy 3 to 1 win. The Terriers swept the series with four games to zero when they beat the Millionaires in the fourth and last game.

Mr. Speaker, for the second year in a row, the Yorkton Terriers

won the SJHL Canalta Cup and are Saskatchewan champions. They moved on to the 2014 Canada Cup in Dauphin, Manitoba and are representing Saskatchewan, currently one loss to Winnipeg, 3 to 1; and one win against Dauphin, 8 to 6. And they play Spruce Grove, Alberta, tonight.

I'm very proud to say that my nephew, 16-year-old Turner, started the year with the Yorkton AAA Midget Terriers, finished the season with the Saskatoon Blades, and now is playing with the SJHL Yorkton Terriers in the Western Canada Cup.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all members to join me in congratulating the Yorkton Terriers on winning the Canalta Cup and wish them all the best as they play their third game in the Western Canada Cup against Spruce Grove tonight. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Health.

Weyburn Gold Wings Win National Championship

Hon. Mr. Duncan: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, normally when one thinks of hockey in Weyburn, it's the Red Wings that comes to mind. Well, Mr. Speaker, let's add the Weyburn Gold Wings to that list, who returned home on Sunday from the Esso Cup national female midget AAA hockey championship hosted in Stoney Creek, Ontario. Mr. Speaker, the girls clinched their first ever Esso Cup on Saturday with a 2-1 win over the Edmonton Thunder.

Saturday's big win capped off a very successful season for the Gold Wings, who finished the regular season in second place but prevailed in the playoffs, unseating the Regina Rebels as provincial champions in a four-game series. They moved on to win their western regional best-of-three series against the Pembina Valley Hawks to advance to the Esso Cup.

Not only, Mr. Speaker, is this something for Weyburn to celebrate. It speaks volumes to the quality of our hockey programs here in Saskatchewan. This year both the male and female national midget AAA titles went to Saskatchewan teams, with the P.A. [Prince Albert] Mintos capturing the men's title on Sunday. This is something that we can all be proud of.

Mr. Speaker, I'd also like to personally recognize Chad Kish, head coach of the Gold Wings, for his work with the team and in the community. Chad was recently recognized for his efforts with Weyburn minor hockey, being the Volunteer of the Year Award winner. As well, goalie Jane Kish who absolutely stood on her head and was named the goaltender of the tournament and has signed a letter of intent to play at the U of R [University of Regina] with the Cougars.

Mr. Speaker, I'd ask all members to join with me in congratulating the Weyburn Gold Wings female midget AAA hockey organization on their first national title.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for The Battlefords.

Construction for New Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford to Begin in 2015

Mr. Cox: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am pleased to share

with the members of the Legislative Assembly today that earlier today I was able to see the ministers of Health, Corrections and Policing, and SaskBuilds announce a major step forward for the new Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford project.

Our government has an unwavering commitment to replacing the century-old hospital. Today in North Battleford they announced that the replacement of the hospital will proceed with a public-private partnership approach, with construction targeted to begin in the summer of 2015 and an integrated correctional facility to be built as part of the hospital construction project. The new complex will include a 188-bed replacement for the existing 156-bed Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford, and a 96-room correctional facility that will house both male and female offenders.

Mr. Speaker, the new hospital will better meet the mental health needs of patients who require in-patient rehabilitation, ensuring they receive the care and support they need in a modern environment. And it was my pleasure to attend all three of the 3P [production preparation process] reporting sessions and to feel the excitement of the staff as they were involved in the planning of their new hospital.

Mr. Speaker, building this new complex through a public-private partnership will allow the project to benefit from private sector ingenuity and innovation while maximizing operational efficiencies. The process will help deliver the new complex on time, within budget, and ensure the complex is properly maintained over the term of the agreement.

Mr. Speaker, it's an exciting day for the community of The Battlefords and I, along with all the residents of The Battlefords, look forward to the opening of the new complex in 2018.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Carrot River Valley.

Number of Nurses Hits All-Time High

Mr. Bradshaw: — Mr. Speaker, it is an exciting time in Saskatchewan. This month the number of registered nurses and nurse practitioners in Saskatchewan hit an all-time high of 11,042. According to the SRNA's [Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association] latest annual report, there was an increase of just over 300 RNs [registered nurse] and nurse practitioners in 2013. It is the first time the province has ever had over 10,000 nurses, according to the executive director of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association, Karen Eisler.

Mr. Speaker, this news should come as a relief to the members opposite, especially the member from Regina Rosemont, who earlier this month had this to say: "The NDP has been very concerned about this government's move to have fewer workers on the front lines of basic services, especially health care." The member from Regina Rosemont will be relieved to hear that 20 per cent more nurses call Saskatchewan home than did six years ago. The members opposite should be relieved to know that this is a government that is determined to ensure that all Saskatchewan residents, both rural and urban, have quality access to health care.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, the member from Regina Rosemont can rest easy knowing that we are moving away from a time when low staffing levels produced quotes like the following: “There is no light at the end of the tunnel unless it’s a train. These staffing levels are dangerous.” Who said that, Mr. Speaker? Rosalee Longmoore, then president of SUN [Saskatchewan Union of Nurses] in October of 2007.

QUESTION PERIOD

The Speaker: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

University of Saskatchewan Review Process

Mr. Broten: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Dr. Jim Miller, a highly respected and award-winning historian at the University of Saskatchewan, says TransformUS is the “. . . biggest disaster that’s happened to the University of Saskatchewan apart from the Great Depression in the 1930s.”

My question, Mr. Speaker, is for the Premier: does he agree with Dr. Miller that TransformUS is the biggest disaster to face the university since the Great Depression?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Advanced Education.

Hon. Mr. Norris: — Mr. Speaker, thanks very much for the opportunity to talk about the University of Saskatchewan. The University of Saskatchewan is the best-funded medical doctoral university in Canada, based on page 100 in *Maclean's*, Mr. Speaker, per student.

In fact the member opposite references the work of Jim Miller, and Jim Miller is one of the most highly respected and regarded historians all across the country. And, Mr. Speaker, when it comes to his work, that is without question.

Regarding the question of TransformUS, Mr. Speaker, that is an internal review process and prioritization process at the University of Saskatchewan. The members opposite are probably aware that this process has four or five different phases to it. It includes task force reports that have been submitted last December, consultation and feedback that has occurred in December through into January, analysis and implementation which is currently under way, and there’ll be forthcoming actions, Mr. Speaker. It’s quite simply too early to determine what will be included in TransformUS because that final allotment has not taken place yet.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Broten: — Mr. Speaker, enough has occurred through TransformUS that many academics and people in the university community are greatly concerned. The question was whether or not the Premier, this government agrees with Dr. Miller in his assessment. But it’s not just Dr. Miller who’s raising concerns.

Dr. Eric Howe was actually on the TransformUS academic task force because he wanted to be part of it to help make the process work. But he resigned last October, Mr. Speaker, because it was clear to him that the process was incredibly flawed and it would lead to disastrous outcomes for the

university and for our province. Dr. Howe says this:

At the conclusion of TransformUS, with the U of S no longer responding to the urgent social needs of the province, having eliminated its elite “boutique” programs, having transferred away or gutted many of its colleges, it would be appropriate to rename the U of S too. Meewasin Valley Community College would seem to be appropriate.

Mr. Speaker, my question to the Premier: when we hear such serious concerns from respected academics at the university, how can this government not be concerned about what is happening through TransformUS at our province’s largest university?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Advanced Education.

Hon. Mr. Norris: — Mr. Speaker, to have the member opposite belittle the University of Saskatchewan, which is seen across this country and around the world as one of the foremost institutions, Mr. Speaker, institutions, especially in key areas of the life sciences . . . It is the home of the Western College of Veterinary Medicine that the members opposite tarped. Tarped — they didn’t complete the construction. We had to complete that.

It’s home to InterVac [international vaccine centre] and VIDO [Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization] which we as a government have helped to fund operationally. It is home to the Canadian Light Source synchrotron, the only synchrotron in the country. And the members opposite should know about that, Mr. Speaker, and the work that’s under way.

And as far as the work that continues to be invested, there are record investments being made at the University of Saskatchewan. The University of Saskatchewan is an independent, and rightfully independent, post-secondary institution, leading post-secondary institution in this country. And we will let the university do its business.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Broten: — Mr. Speaker, when we have respected professors at the University of Saskatchewan saying that TransformUS is the worst thing to hit the university since the Great Depression, that we might as well at the end of TransformUS rename the university Meewasin Valley community college, Mr. Speaker, I would expect a little less bravado from government members. And I would expect a lot more concern about what members of the university community are saying.

It’s not just these academics, Mr. Speaker, that have said this. The University of Saskatchewan Faculty Association has expressed significant concerns about the implications of TransformUS. The University of Saskatchewan Students’ Union, Mr. Speaker, has passed a motion of non-confidence in the TransformUS process.

So again, Mr. Speaker, to the Premier: when we have students, when we have staff, when we have faculty all voicing their concerns about the TransformUS process, how can this

government not be concerned about what is happening at the U of S [University of Saskatchewan] under its watch?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Advanced Education.

Hon. Mr. Norris: — Mr. Speaker, this government takes the University of Saskatchewan and all our post-secondary institutions very seriously. That's one of the reasons that there's been a 65 per cent increase in operating funding under this government to the University of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Speaker, importantly, importantly, Mr. Speaker, we also know that there are independent structures of governance at the university. Now the member opposite may be suggesting that he would become involved, and I'd be very curious to hear about that. He'd be involved in these kind of governance deliberations as a public official.

But what I can say, Mr. Speaker, is that before he makes any more allusions, what I do know is that under the NDP 20 years ago, the operating budget of the University of Saskatchewan was cut by 4 per cent. This year, Mr. Speaker, this year, the operating budget has gone up by almost 4 per cent, Mr. Speaker. We're making an investment because we know the University of Saskatchewan continues to lead the way across the country.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Broten: — Mr. Speaker, we hear a very defensive tone coming from the minister. And that defensive tone when combined with the dismissive attitude, Mr. Speaker, is a very dangerous combination for the University of Saskatchewan.

There are many concerns being raised about the TransformUS process, about it not being open and transparent; about students not being properly involved; about the process being biased against smaller programs, against specialized programs, against Aboriginal programs, Mr. Speaker; about deans, about deans and executive directors, Mr. Speaker, not being free to express their views and express their concerns. And those are just some of the concerns about the process.

But the real concerns, the greatest concerns, are about the long-term ramifications to the University of Saskatchewan when colleges are gutted, when programs are ended, Mr. Speaker, and when there is long-term damage being done to the University of Saskatchewan, when they are shrinking our province's largest university.

My question, Mr. Speaker, to the Premier: how can this government not be concerned when these serious concerns are being expressed?

[14:00]

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Advanced Education.

Hon. Mr. Norris: — Mr. Speaker, I'll continue to defend the University of Saskatchewan as long as I stand here. And, Mr. Speaker, here's a direct quote from the website of the

University of Saskatchewan directly from the TransformUS:

Relative to the four western Canadian provinces, an increase of 2% of the base provincial grant in 2014 was among the highest. Manitoba increased its base grants for universities at 2.5%, Alberta maintained grants at 2013 levels after reducing grant levels by approximately 5.6% in 2013, and the provincial grant for British Columbia universities was reduced by 1.1% for 2014. When we compare the U of S to other provincial universities, we are in a more favourable funding circumstance and receive more public support, both as a funding priority and in terms of public acknowledgement and recognition of the value of the U of S.

Mr. Speaker, we're making investments that are making a real difference at the University of Saskatchewan for the students, for the scholars, for the researchers, and families right across the province. And, Mr. Speaker, we're going to continue to do that.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Opposition Whip.

Motor Vehicle Fatality

Mr. Vermette: — John Boxall was killed in a car accident on February 20th, 2013. The driver of the other vehicle had a blood alcohol level that was well above 1.08, but the Crown stayed the impaired driving charge. Instead that driver was convicted of criminal negligence causing death. Because the driver was not technically convicted of an alcohol-related charge, John Boxall's family and children are not able to receive compensation for pain and suffering under *The Fatal Accidents Act*. That isn't fair and it needs to be made right.

SGI [Saskatchewan Government Insurance] has discretion on these matters. To the Minister Responsible for SGI: will she undertake to fix this today?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Crown Investments.

Hon. Ms. Harpauer: — Mr. Speaker, although I am not familiar with that specific, very detailed situation, the answer to the member's question is we can't fix it today. But yes, we are reviewing this. Another case very similar had come to my attention, and so this very policy within SGI's coverage is being under review.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Opposition Whip.

Mr. Vermette: — If the other driver had been convicted of an alcohol-related offence, John Boxall's family, wife and children, would have received appropriate compensation for pain and suffering. But now because of a technical, they are not eligible for this funding. Again, that's not fair and it's not right. SGI has discretionary.

But Rosmarie Boxall had written to the opposition because she hadn't been getting the help from the government. In fact she said, "Hopefully you have better luck with SGI because I'm not. I get worse news from them every time I talk to them."

To the minister: will she commit today to make this right and to finally treat Rosmarie and her family with fairness and decency?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Crown Investments.

Hon. Ms. Harpauer: — Mr. Speaker, again I'm not familiar with the specific case, but I am more than happy to take a look at it. I am also not sure that it is discretionary. A lot of the policy or the parameters in which SGI pays their insurance is in legislation. It's not just a discretionary decision. So again I would have to see the specific case to know whether or not it's discretionary.

I know the other case that I had come before me was not, and that's why SGI is undergoing a review. There's been a press release on that review. We're looking forward to the input from the public, from stakeholders, and from people, you know, around the province because there are situations in SGI that I think we could do better.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Ministry of Highways and the Lean Initiative

Mr. McCall: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We've heard a lot about how multi-million dollar lean consultants have been tearing through Saskatchewan's hospitals and classrooms to implement the lean experiment.

But now we're hearing from front-line Highways workers too, who tell us that the team of managers and consultants as large as 20 people have shown up at Highways' shops to lean them in.

To the Minister of Lean: how much has this government spent in total to have consultants and managers implement and promote the lean experiment throughout the Highways ministry?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure.

Hon. Mr. McMorris: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, on an annual basis, I think in every ministry, we look to find efficiencies, programs that may not be as effective as they once were. Mr. Speaker, we look at shops and the delivery of the services that we provide within the Ministry of Highways.

I do know that we've looked at the service delivery, for example in those shops, and reduced some of the waste that was in those shops. Those dollars that were put into waste in previous years, for example under the NDP, now are being put into the pavement, Mr. Speaker. That's why we're seeing records amount of work being done in this province, far outstripping what was ever done under the former government.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Mr. McCall: — Mr. Speaker, front-line workers describe these lean consultants as not knowing and not caring which tools and

supplies were valuable or useful. It seemed like their goal was to lean the shop by throwing stuff out. For example, one Highways workplace with several workers maintaining multiple vehicles was left with one set of standard wrenches and one set of metric wrenches. All other wrenches went in the trash, along with valuable supplies like hydraulic cylinders.

To the Minister of Lean: is restricting multiple workers to one set of tools while filling up garbage bins with tools and valuable equipment this government's idea of Saskatchewan common sense?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Central Services.

Hon. Ms. Heppner: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The member asking the question, his colleague was at committee last night and asked a similar question about the management of supplies and tools that are needed in a specific workplace. Mr. Speaker, part of the lean initiative is to make sure that the right things are in the right place for people to do their job. And to the Ministry of Highways, I have a quote from one of their mechanics. He's a fleet services employee. And he says, and I quote:

We used to run around like chickens with our heads cut off. Our tools resembled the kitchen drawer. You know the one where the ice picks and egg flippers and tongs are all jammed together and you can't find anything. Well now our diagnostic carts are outlined on the floor and every pin, screw, and gadget has a place. All the stuff you need to do the job is right where you need it. You don't have to keep walking back and forth to find things. I think lean can help to improve all kinds of government processes.

Mr. Speaker, and that's exactly what lean is about, is to allow our front-line workers to do the absolute best job and to deliver those programs and services that the people of this province deserve.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Mr. McCall: — Mr. Speaker, one worker told us that he really didn't mind the red tape the lean team put all over the floor of his workplace outlining where they thought everything should go. What he minds is how much this must have cost. Talk about your costly red tape, Mr. Speaker. He figures it's a pretty big price tag to have 20 managers and consultants spend five days throwing out tools and putting tape on the floor.

Front-line workers think they could have organized their own workplace if they were given the time to do it, and they could have saved a lot of tools and taxpayer dollars by doing it themselves. To the Minister of Lean: are taxpayers actually paying for managers and consultants to put red tape on the floor and toss tools into the trash against the advice of front-line workers?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Central Services.

Hon. Ms. Heppner: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The money that this government has invested in lean has paid for itself and then some, Mr. Speaker. Not only do we have cost savings, we have cost avoidance. We have better customer service to the people of this province, whether it's in schools or hospitals or in

government itself, Mr. Speaker. In the Ministry of Energy and Resources, there's some great examples as well.

Mr. Speaker, I have quote after quote from employees within the Government of Saskatchewan who are excited about the lean initiative. And if the member opposite is concerned about tape on floor — for some reason they're hung up on that, Mr. Speaker — I would encourage them to go visit Brandt Industries, which is an incredible company in this province and go through their workspace, Mr. Speaker. There's tape on the floor showing where stuff is supposed to be so that people can do their jobs in the most efficient manner possible, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Mr. McCall: — Mr. Speaker, it's sounding like how many consultants does it take to tape the floor over there.

But the deputy minister of lean admitted in committee last night that lean consultants recommend getting rid of items that are not frequently used, generally within the last six months. Fair enough, but front-line workers in health care or in schools or in highway shops are the experts on what tools and items are needed and how many they need. They don't need high-priced lean consultants coming in and telling them what to do, where to put things, and what to throw out.

To the Minister of Lean: will she commit today to investigate how many government workplaces have been instructed by lean consultants to throw away tools and equipment against the advice of front-line workers?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Central Services.

Hon. Ms. Heppner: — Well, Mr. Speaker, I'm happy that the critic in charge of this file managed to read *Hansard* from committee last night. If he would go over that and read it in some more detail, what the deputy minister responsible for lean had indicated as one of the examples of things that got thrown away were I believe at the Moose Jaw Hospital. Using up valuable storage space were 60 decorated Christmas trees. I don't know what any hospital needs with 60 decorated Christmas trees, Mr. Speaker, and they certainly don't need to be taking up valuable storage space.

Mr. Speaker, there are many avenues within government, within our third parties where efficiencies can be found. And one of those, Mr. Speaker, is storage space so that we don't have to build new buildings to store more stuff that's just going to collect dust, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

Funding for Education

Mr. Wotherspoon: — Mr. Speaker, despite hearing a lot of concern about the surprise lean initiative clawback that'll rip back millions of dollars from school boards across Saskatchewan, it's clear that this government is just plowing ahead with its plan. In fact yesterday, the Education minister said there's no plan not to impose that lean clawback on our schools, in our classrooms.

To the minister: how can he possibly say that when our educators, when locally elected school board trustees are raising serious concerns about this lean initiative clawback and the lack of support for education under that government?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, we provide large amounts of funding, \$1.88 million per year. We will not make any apologies in the House or elsewhere for wanting to have efficiencies of the work, to develop efficiencies within the school division. I met with officials from the School Boards Association yesterday. We will have ongoing discussions with them. They understand the need to meet efficiency targets. They will continue to work with us on that, and we will continue to find ways to try and make every effort to ensure that the dollars are spent in the classroom where they belong.

Mr. Speaker, I can advise the members opposite, and I've done it regularly, that they have had an increase each and every year to the overall operating grant for school divisions, over 26 per cent since 2007, as opposed to the members opposite who closed 176 hospitals.

Mr. Speaker, that is not the direction we're going. We provide total funding for pre-K to 12 [pre-kindergarten to grade 12] education, \$1.8 billion.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

Mr. Wotherspoon: — Mr. Speaker, it's evident that this government, that minister, that Premier are unwilling to listen to school board leaders across this province, to teachers, to parents that are sharing significant concerns. And you know, for the minister to brush off and boast about a record that's a poor one once again here today, instead of standing up and bringing forward actions to address the problems, is really weak.

It's evident that that government's not listening when it comes to education and that they're just plowing ahead with their lean pet project. The government though can take some very important steps here today. They could take two steps here today. They could scrap the lean initiative clawback. And they could take the \$5 million that that minister, that government earmarked for standardized testing, and they could redeploy those to the front lines of education to enable student success. To the minister: will he take those steps here today?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, the school divisions in our province have worked together, all 28 school divisions, and developed a sector plan. The members opposite are stubbornly dismissive. They discredit that. This is a plan that was developed by the school divisions in consultation with the teachers to try and make sure that we deliver the best possible services to our students, that we move our students forward. We've asked our school divisions to look at efficiency targets, one half of one per cent, Mr. Speaker, that we felt was an appropriate type of goal for them to meet. We will work with them to try to see that.

But, Mr. Speaker, I can tell you that we have raised incredible

amounts of funding. As opposed to the 176 schools, we've raised, built and announced 40 new schools. We have a \$700 million record capital investment. We have reduced property taxes in this province by \$165 million. We have spent three years listening to and working with our sector partners to help them develop a new formula partner. We're continuing to listen to them, and we'll make changes to that as are appropriate.

[14:15]

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

Mr. Wotherspoon: — Mr. Speaker, he doesn't highlight that he surprised school boards with a lean initiative clawback that's ripping back millions of dollars from the school boards of this province. He conveniently doesn't mention that point.

Here's what the Minister of Education had to say two weeks ago about the \$5 million set aside in this year's budget for standardized testing when we were pressing him and that government to redeploy those dollars to a place that matters: "The money is in a capital line budget, so we may have to go back to treasury board, whether it would fall into capital or supports for learning." He went on to say that he hadn't yet had conversations with officials. Well that was two weeks ago. He's had some time to figure this out, to talk to his officials and correct the budget.

To the minister: why hasn't he done so? Why won't he redeploy the earmarked dollars for standardized testing to where it matters? Why won't he work with the locally elected school boards to improve education across Saskatchewan?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, the members opposite just simply don't get it. They lost an election because their leader, Dwain Lingenfelter, went out and foolishly promised \$5 billion in new expenditure. Mr. Speaker, we're going to take a careful, reasoned, and measured approach. We're not going to be like them and make foolish, wild promises.

Nor are we going to go back to what they did. In 1993 and '94, the NDP actually reduced the operating grant from the province. In 1995 they gave school divisions zero per cent at a time when there were 20,000 more students in our education system than there are today. We're not taking lessons from them, Mr. Speaker. We're not taking advice from them. We are going to do everything we can to ensure that we provide the best possible funding and the best possible education. And quickie fixes from the member opposite, not on — stubbornly dismissive of the things that the school divisions are doing on their own with the plan that they have developed, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker: — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

Mr. Wotherspoon: — Mr. Speaker, the announcement of the lean initiative clawback was a complete surprise to boards. It shouldn't have been. The government pretended it was giving one budget number at budget day, and then they were taking with another hand at another time. And they left it for boards to see the devil in the details and realize that the government was actually clawing back all sorts of dollars. As partners in

education and as locally elected leaders across our province, school boards deserve better. They deserve the facts and they deserve to be consulted. They should not be surprised and they shouldn't be dictated to by a stubborn government that thinks it knows best and forces forward with the lean initiative clawback.

When will this government, when will that minister, when will that Premier start treating locally elected school boards with the respect they deserve? And why won't they redeploy the dollars for standardized testing to where they count in classrooms across Saskatchewan?

The Speaker: — I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, we inherited a \$1.2 billion deficit in capital in our province in education, schools across the province. We've invested more in our first seven years than the opposition did in 16 years. We've had a 268 per cent increase in school infrastructure spending. The NDP chose to close 176 schools. We've announced and built 40. Some of the very first money we allocated went to completing projects that were announced back in 2003.

Mr. Speaker, over 70 per cent of our schools are 40 years old, and we're still making up for years of neglect. We're going to continue doing that. We're not going to be shipping students to Alberta like the members opposite. We're going to go forward with growth in our province, Mr. Speaker.

I can give you some examples. In Saskatoon, public school enrolment is up 59.9 per cent, operating up 33.2 per cent; Saskatoon Catholic enrolment up 12.2 per cent, operating up 32.7 per cent; Regina public enrolment up 5 per cent, operating up 30.8 per cent; Regina Catholic enrolment up 7.5, operating up 26.8 per cent. Mr. Speaker, we're going forward, not backwards.

PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Speaker: — I recognize the chairman of the Crown and Central Agencies Committee.

Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies

Mr. Brkich: — Mr. Speaker, I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies to report Bill No. 125, *The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2013 (No. 2)* with amendment.

The Speaker: — When shall this bill be consider in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Crown Investments.

Hon. Ms. Harpauer: — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that this bill and its amendments be now read the third time.

The Speaker: — The minister has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bill No. 125, *The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2013* with amendments and that the bill and its amendments be now read the third time. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — When shall the amendments be read a first time? I recognize the minister.

FIRST AND SECOND READINGS OF AMENDMENTS

Bill No. 125 — *The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2013 (No. 2)*

Hon. Ms. Harpauer: — Mr. Speaker, I move that the amendments be now read a first and second time.

The Speaker: — It has been moved by the minister that the amendments be now read a first and second time. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — Carried.

Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: — First and second reading of the amendments.

The Speaker: — I recognize the minister.

THIRD READINGS

Bill No. 125 — *The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2013 (No. 2)*

Hon. Ms. Harpauer: — I move that this bill be now read the third time and passed under its title.

The Speaker: — It has been moved by the minister that Bill No. 125, *The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2013 (No. 2)* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Speaker: — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — Carried.

Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: — Third reading of this bill.

PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Speaker: — I recognize the chairman of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

Mr. Michelson: — Thank you. Mr. Speaker, I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report Bill No. 132, *The Public Guardian and Trustee*

Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2) without amendment.

The Speaker: — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

Hon. Mr. Wyant: — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that the bill now be read a third time.

The Speaker: — The Minister of Justice has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 132, *The Public Guardian and Trustee Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2)* and that the bill be now read the third time. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

THIRD READINGS

Bill No. 132 — *The Public Guardian and Trustee Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2)*

Hon. Mr. Wyant: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move this bill now be read a third time and passed under its title.

The Speaker: — It has been moved by the minister that Bill No. 132, *The Public Guardian and Trustee Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2)* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Speaker: — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — Carried.

Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: — Third reading of this bill.

PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Speaker: — I recognize the chairman of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

Mr. Michelson: — Thank you. Mr. Speaker, I am further instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report Bill No. 133, *The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2014*. This is a bilingual bill without amendment.

The Speaker: — When shall the bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice

and Attorney General.

Hon. Mr. Wyant: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that the bill now be read a third time.

The Speaker: — The Minister of Justice has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 133, *The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2014* and that the bill now be read the third time. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

THIRD READINGS

Bill No. 133 — *The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2014/Loi de 2014 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine*

Hon. Mr. Wyant: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move this bill now be read a third time and passed under its title.

The Speaker: — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice that Bill No. 133, *The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2014* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Speaker: — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — Carried.

Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: — Third reading of this bill.

PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Speaker: — I recognize the Chair of the Human Services Committee.

Standing Committee on Human Services

Mr. Kirsch: — Mr. Speaker, I am instructed by the Standing Committee on Human Services to report Bill No. 98, the child care amendment Act. This is a bilingual bill without amendment.

The Speaker: — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration of Committee of the Whole on this bill and the bill be now read the third time.

The Speaker: — The minister has requested leave to waive consideration of Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 98, *The Child Care Act, 2013* and that it now be read the third time. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — The minister may proceed.

THIRD READINGS

Bill No. 98 — *The Child Care Act, 2013/Loi de 2013 sur les garderies d'enfants*

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be now read the third time and passed under its title.

The Speaker: — It has been moved by the minister that Bill No. 98, *The Child Care Act, 2013* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Speaker: — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — Carried.

Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: — Third reading of this bill.

PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Speaker: — I recognize the Chair of the Human Services Committee.

Standing Committee on Human Services

Mr. Kirsch: — Mr. Speaker, I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Human Services to report Bill No. 128, *The Saskatchewan Employment Amendment Act, 2013* without amendment.

The Speaker: — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that the bill be now read the third time.

The Speaker: — The minister has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 128, *The Saskatchewan Employment Amendment Act, 2013* and that the bill be now read the third time. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — The minister may proceed with third reading.

THIRD READINGS

**Bill No. 128 — *The Saskatchewan Employment
Amendment Act, 2013***

Hon. Mr. Morgan: — Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be now read the third time and passed under its title.

The Speaker: — It has been moved by the minister that Bill No. 128, *The Saskatchewan Employment Amendment Act, 2013* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Speaker: — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — Carried.

Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: — Third reading of this bill.

The Speaker: — I recognize the Government House Leader.

Hon. Mr. Harrison: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In order to facilitate the work of committee this afternoon and this evening, I move that this House be now adjourned.

The Speaker: — The Government House Leader has moved the House be now adjourned. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Speaker: — Carried. This House now stands adjourned to 1:30 p.m. tomorrow.

[The Assembly adjourned at 14:27.]

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