



No. 9

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Monday, March 10, 2008

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Higgins, Wotherspoon, Iwanchuk and Reiter.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably examined the same pursuant to Rule 16(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to give prostate cancer patients timely access to high intensity focused ultrasound treatment.

(Sessional Paper No. 70)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to commit to reopening negotiations with Domtar.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 27)

COMMONWEALTH DAY MESSAGE

The Speaker, before Orders of the Day, read the Commonwealth Day Message of Her Majesty the Queen.

TABLING OF SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

The Hon. Mr. Gantfoer delivered a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which was read by the Speaker as follows:

March 10, 2008

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Supplementary Estimates – March of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

GORDON L. BARNHART

Lieutenant Governor

(Sessional Paper No. 90)

SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

Bill No. 1 – The Growth and Financial Security Act

The Hon. Mr. Gantfoer, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 1 – The Growth and Financial Security Act – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Ms. Atkinson, adjourned.

Bill No. 4 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council (Fixed Election Dates) Amendment Act, 2007

Projet de loi n° 4 – Loi de 2007 modifiant la Loi de 2007 sur l'Assemblée législative et le Conseil exécutif (élections à date fixe)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 4 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council (Fixed Election Dates) Amendment Act, 2007 – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Morgan propose: Que le projet de loi n° 4 – Loi de 2007 modifiant la Loi de 2007 sur l'Assemblée législative et le Conseil exécutif (élections à date fixe) – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McCall, adjourned.

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de M. McCall, le débat est ajourné.

CONDOLENCE MOTIONS

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly unite in paying tribute to the memory of the Honourable **John Edward Neil Wiebe**, eighteenth Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, who passed away on April 16, 2007.

John Wiebe was born on May 31, 1936 in Herbert. He attended the Herbert Elementary and High Schools before continuing his studies at Luther College in Regina and the University of Saskatchewan. Mr. Wiebe married Ann Lewis on October 7, 1961. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and eight grandchildren.

In his private life, Mr. Wiebe carried on the family tradition of farming. He was the owner and president of L & W Feeders Ltd. from 1970 until 1985 and continued to operate the family farm until 1994. Mr. Wiebe's rural and agricultural background was reflected in many of the organizations he chose to support. The Main Center Wheat Pool Committee, the Herbert Credit Union, the Herbert Co-op and his local 4-H Club were among the organizations that benefited from his involvement. He was a member of the Herbert Lions Club and guided young hockey players as a coach and as a referee. Mr. Wiebe also served as a director of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation and VIA Rail Canada Inc.

Mr. Wiebe's dedication to his fellow citizens was evident in his distinguished record of public service as an elected representative, a senator and as a member of international trade commissions. Mr. Wiebe became involved with politics at an early age within the Liberal Party. After serving in various roles as a strategist and fundraiser, he sought election to this Assembly in a by-election in 1971. He continued to represent the constituency of Morse following the 1975 general election and remained a Member until 1979. Mr. Wiebe was appointed to the Senate of Canada in 2000 and served until his retirement in 2004.

Mr. Wiebe was installed as the eighteenth Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan on May 31, 1994. Throughout his term, he sought to raise public awareness of the role of the Crown in Saskatchewan and Canada. His legacy was reflected in the creation of the J.E.N. Wiebe Interpretative Centre at Government House. Mr. Wiebe retained an abiding interest in the welfare of rural communities and was instrumental in the establishment of the Lieutenant Governor's Award for outstanding service to rural Saskatchewan. His commitment to the military community led to his appointment as the Honourary Colonel of the 38 Artillery Tactical Group – 10th Field. He later served as the Saskatchewan chair of the Canadian Forces Liaison Council. Mr. Wiebe's style, enthusiasm and vitality in fulfilling his duties as the Queen's representative endeared him to people across all of Saskatchewan.

The breadth of Mr. Wiebe's contribution to Province of Saskatchewan was recognized by numerous awards. He was inducted into the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in 1994 and held the grade of Knight. Mr. Wiebe was also awarded the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal and the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

David Boldt, who passed away on December 31, 2007, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1960 until 1975. He represented the constituency of Rosthern for the Liberal Party.

Mr. Boldt was born on January 21, 1918 in Osler. He attended public school in Osler before completing studies in agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan. He then pursued further training at the Edmonton Welding School. On October 14, 1945, Mr. Boldt married Anne Enns. He is survived by his wife and their three children, four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Mr. Boldt retained an interest in farming throughout his life. He began by assisting on the family farm before starting his own grain operation nearby with his wife. Even after his retirement into the city, he continued to assist with the spring seeding and harvesting. Mr. Boldt was very involved with his church and the Gideons and served both organizations in a number of capacities.

Mr. Boldt's involvement in politics began at the local level and broadened to include the provincial scene. Mr. Boldt was first elected to this Assembly in 1960 and retained his seat in the following three elections. He was appointed to cabinet in 1964 and remained in the executive until 1971. Mr. Boldt first served as Minister of Social Welfare and Rehabilitation, and then in the Welfare portfolio. He led the Department of Highways and Transportation for several years and was also responsible for the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Corporation.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

George Reginald Anderson Bowerman, who passed away on December 20, 2007, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1967 until 1982. He represented the constituency of Shellbrook for the New Democratic Party.

Mr. Bowerman was born on November 3, 1930 in Shellbrook. He received his early schooling at the one-room Rayside School. He furthered his education by taking correspondence courses and vocational training in agriculture and resource management. Mr. Bowerman married Dagmar Christiansen on February 14, 1959 and they had three sons. He was predeceased by his wife and one son.

Mr. Bowerman's dedication to his fellow citizens was evident in his lengthy and diverse public service. In addition to owning and operating a family farm from an early age, he was employed by the Department of Natural Resources for eighteen years. He joined the Saskatchewan Smoke Jumpers in 1949 and became part of Canada's first aerial fire fighting and search and rescue team. Mr.

Bowerman subsequently trained as a Field Officer and Game Warden and was stationed around the province developing the commercial fishing industry. In his private life, Mr. Bowerman volunteered his time and knowledge to benefit organizations and groups within his local community.

Mr. Bowerman was first elected to this Assembly in 1967 and retained his seat in the following three elections. He entered cabinet in 1971 and remained in the executive until his retirement from elected office. Several of the portfolios Mr. Bowerman held reflected his personal interests and background. He first served as Minister of Mineral Resources and later Natural Resources. He then led the Departments of Northern Saskatchewan and the Environment for several years. Mr. Bowerman also held the Saskatchewan Indian and Métis portfolio for a brief period.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Michael Feschuk, who passed away on November 12, 2007, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1971 until 1982. He represented the constituencies of Prince Albert East and Prince Albert for the New Democratic Party.

Mr. Feschuk was born on January 6, 1932 at Meath Park. He spent his formative years on the family farm and attended local schools in Meath Park. Mr. Feschuk married Helen Mychaluk on January 25, 1953 and they had one daughter. He is survived by his wife, his daughter, four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Mr. Feschuk's professional career encompassed many fields. He initially continued the family tradition of farming and later assumed responsibility for his parents' farming operations. In the 1980s, Mr. Feschuk was employed as a real estate agent before joining Statistics Canada.

In his personal life, Mr. Feschuk sought to alleviate the hardships faced by others in his community. He volunteered his time to mentor new Ukrainian immigrants, to assist farmers with the annual harvest and to support those looking for employment. Several community organizations benefited from Mr. Feschuk's contributions and he was awarded the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal in recognition of his efforts.

Mr. Feschuk's involvement with politics began with the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation and continued with the New Democratic Party. He sought election to this Assembly in 1971 and successfully retained his seat in the 1975 and 1978 general elections.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Calvin Henry Glauser, who passed away on February 5, 2007, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1982 until 1986. He represented the constituency of Saskatoon Mayfair for the Progressive Conservative Party.

Mr. Glauser was born on April 2, 1923 in Delisle. He spent his childhood on the family farm and received his education in local schools. In 1941, Mr. Glauser moved with his family to Saskatoon, where he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force. In early 1943, he travelled overseas as a member of the ground crew. Later that year, he was attached to the Quebec Les Allouette 425 Squadron and deployed with them to North Africa for nine months. He served the remainder of the war in England. Upon receiving his discharge from the Air Force in 1945, Mr. Glauser returned to Canada.

Mr. Glauser married Marjorie Schauss on July 12, 1947. He is survived by his wife and their four children, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Mr. Glauser's career with the Royal Bank extended over twenty-eight years. He served at branches in both Saskatoon and Regina before retiring in 1982 as the North Region Marketing Manager. Shortly thereafter, Mr. Glauser was elected to this Assembly.

He served as Vice chairman of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and as a member of the Estimates Committee. Mr. Glauser served as the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Health. He also held appointments on the caucus legislative review and industrial review committees.

In his private life, Mr. Glauser was an active volunteer in a number of community organizations. His involvement with the Cosmopolitan Club extended over twenty-three years. Mr. Glauser took particular pleasure in researching and publishing a history of his family dating back to its Swiss origins in the 1650s.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Norman Lusney, who passed away on December 10, 2007, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1977 until 1986. He represented the constituency of Pelly for the New Democratic Party.

Mr. Lusney was born on February 10, 1937 in Kamsack. He spent his childhood contributing to the operation of the family farm and attending the McGillvray School. Mr. Lusney married Loretta

Horkoff on October 10, 1958 and they had two daughters. He is survived by his wife, their daughters and five grandchildren.

Mr. Lusney followed many career paths during his life. He first sought employment in the mining field in British Columbia and in Alice Arm. Later he worked on the railroad in Ontario, in the dairy industry in Moose Jaw and for Canada Post in Roblin, Manitoba. Mr. Lusney was also a businessman, operating a service station and the family farm for many years.

Mr. Lusney was an active participant in the affairs of the communities in which he lived. At the local level, he served on the boards of several organizations. At the provincial level, Mr. Lusney's public service was reflected in his membership in this Assembly. He was first entered this Assembly after a by-election in 1977 and was re-elected in the following two elections.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution she made to her community, her constituency and to the province.

Maria Margharita Sally Merchant, who passed away on April 1, 2007, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1964 until 1967. She represented the constituency of Saskatoon City for the Liberal Party.

Mrs. Merchant was born on October 1, 1919 in Yorkton. She began her schooling at the Victoria Public School in Yorkton, and then at the Loretta Convent in Sedley. She completed her secondary education at the Convent of Sacred Heart in Halifax and Montreal. Mrs. Merchant graduated from Dalhousie University in 1940 with a Bachelor of Arts degree and later received a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Saskatchewan in 1955.

Mrs. Merchant married Evatt Merchant in 1941 and is survived by their two children and nine grandchildren.

Mrs. Merchant pursued many careers over her lifetime. As a broadcasting pioneer, she hosted a series of interview programmes on the local CFQC television station. She later served as a member of the Canadian Radio and Television Commission. As a public servant, Mrs. Merchant joined the federal Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs in 1969. Over the following fourteen years, she left an indelible mark on the development of the new department and on the policies, initiatives and protocols in the consumer protection field. Mrs. Merchant was also an academic and passed on her knowledge and experience to students at the Universities of Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. She later served as the Assistant Director of Development at her alma mater in Saskatoon.

Mrs. Merchant was an active participant in the affairs of the communities in which she lived.

Mrs. Merchant's professional interests were reflected in the organizations she chose to support. She was a member of the Canadian Media Club, the Consumers' Association of Canada, the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, and the Liberal Party of Canada.

Mrs. Merchant's personal interests and concern for the welfare of others were also reflected in her memberships. She was a life member of the Saskatoon Council of Women and an honorary member of the Soroptimists International. Other organizations dedicated to assisting those in need also benefited from her involvement.

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A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Robert Edward William Myers, who passed away on January 28, 2008, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1982 until 1986. He represented the constituency of Saskatoon South for the Progressive Conservative Party.

Mr. Myers was born on January 14, 1947 in Saskatoon. He spent his formative years in Saskatoon and attended local schools. Mr. Myers married Jo Anne McFadyen on November 12, 1971 and they had one son. He is survived by his wife, his son, and two grandsons.

Mr. Myers was a trained mine designer. He was employed in the engineering departments with INCO in Thompson, Manitoba and with AMOK in Cluff Lake, Saskatchewan. Later he joined the provincial civil service and worked as an inspector of mines. Mr. Myers had a passionate interest in political affairs. He first sought to represent his community at the municipal level and served on the Thompson city council. Later in 1982, he was elected to this Assembly for one term. Mr. Myers was appointed the Legislative Secretary for Energy and Mines and served as the chairman of the Natural Resources Committee. He also served as caucus whip.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Edward Charles Whelan, who passed away on December 11, 2007, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1960 until 1979. He represented the constituencies of Regina City and Regina North for the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation and the constituency of Regina North West for the New Democratic Party.

Mr. Whelan was born on August 6, 1919 in Amherstburg, Ontario. He attended local schools in Anderdon before completing further studies at the General Amherst High School and the Toronto

Technical School. His education was curtailed when his father died and Mr. Whelan assumed a greater role on the family farm and supporting his mother and younger siblings. Mr. Whelan married Pemrose Henry on November 27, 1948. He is survived by wife, three children, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Whelan first trained as a machinist in the Windsor auto plants. He became a member of the United Automobile Workers' Union and later represented the UAW within the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation organization. In 1943, Mr. Whelan moved to Saskatchewan to return to farming. He continued his life-long involvement with the labour and co-operatives movements by assuming positions with a number of organizations. These included acting as the educational director of the Co-operative Union of Canada, as the secretary of the Regina Labour Council, and on the executives of the Sherwood Co-op and the Sherwood Savings and Credit Union. Mr. Whelan also served as chairman of the Provincial Mediation Board.

Mr. Whelan was an active participant in the administration of first the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation and later the New Democratic Party after its formation. His interest extended to authoring with his wife, a publication entitled "Touched by Tommy" on the life of T.C. Douglas. Mr. Whelan held numerous positions within the parties prior to being elected to this Assembly in 1960. He retained his seat in the following five elections. Mr. Whelan entered cabinet in 1975 as Minister of Mineral Resources. The following year, he was appointed to the Consumer Affairs portfolio where he remained until his retirement from public life.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Resolutions just passed, together with a transcript of oral tributes to the memory of the deceased, be communicated to the bereaved families on behalf of this Assembly by Mr. Speaker.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:02 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Don Toth
Speaker

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Wednesday:

Hon. Ms. Heppner to move First Reading of Bill No. 8 – The Natural Resources Amendment Act, 2008

Hon. Mr. Gantfoer to move First Reading of Bill No. 9 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2008

Hon. Mr. Gantfoer to move First Reading of Bill No. 10 – The Miscellaneous Pensions Statutes (Commencement of Pension) Amendment Act, 2008

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 9 and are to be answered by day no. 14:

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 219:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 220:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 221:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 222:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 223:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) Was the recent February trip to Ontario by the Legislative Secretary for Corrections paid for by the government? (2) If so, what was the total cost (including plane tickets, hotel accommodations, vehicle rentals, taxi services, food, event registration fees and any other expenses) of the trip?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 224:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What government vehicles have been purchased for the CVA fleet? (2) What are the government's criteria for fuel-efficient vehicles? (3) What is the make and model of the Premier's government vehicle?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 225:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 226:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 197:

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 227:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 228:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 229:

To the Premier: (1) Was the Premier's trip to Ottawa, in order to present to the Canada Networking Conference and Exhibition 2008, paid for by the government? (2) If so, what government tasks were performed by the Premier?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 230:

To the Premier: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 231:

To the Premier: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 232:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 233:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 234:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) What was the total cost (including plane tickets, hotel accommodations, vehicle rentals, taxi services, food, event registration fees and any other expenses) of the Minister's recent trip to Australia in February of 2008? (2) What was the departure day? (3) What was the return day? (4) What was the minister's full itinerary for those days? (5) Who went on this trip (including name and job title)? (6) How were these people determined?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 235:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be

converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 236:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) Who is your ministry’s Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 237:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from “department” to “ministry”? (2) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 238:

To the Minister of Enterprise and Innovation: (1) Who is your ministry’s Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 239:

To the Minister of Enterprise and Innovation: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from “department” to “ministry”? (2) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from “department” to “ministry”, how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost??

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 240:

To the Minister of Health: In regard to the recent trip that MLA Laura Ross and officials from five health regions and the provincial health recruitment agency took to southeast Asia: (1) Please provide a list of everyone who went on the trip, their full name and job title, including any non-government employees that went on the trip if they were in any way compensated for the trip using government money. (2) When did each of these people leave? (3) When did they return? (4) How much did the trip cost, including travel, food, accommodations and any other expenses that were provided by the government?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 241:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 242:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 243:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 244:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 245:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 246:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 247:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students who graduated in 2006 have applied for the Saskatchewan Graduate Tax Exemption?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 248:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many students who graduated in 2006 and applied for the Saskatchewan Graduate Tax Exemption received a certificate? (2) A diploma? (3) A degree? (4) Certification to journey person?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 249:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students who graduated in 2006 and applied for the Graduate Tax Exemption were eligible?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 250:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many students who graduated in 2006 and applied for the Graduate Tax Exemption completed their training in-province? (2) How many completed their training out-of-province?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 251:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students who graduated in 2006, completed their training out-of-province, and applied for the Saskatchewan Graduate Tax Exemption had received: (1) A certificate? (2) A diploma? (3) A degree? (4) Certification to journey person?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 252:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many out-of-province students who graduated in 2006 and applied for the Graduate Tax Exemption were eligible?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 253:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the total tax relief provided for students who graduated in 2006?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 254:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the total tax relief provided for students who graduated in 2006 and received their training outside of the province?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 255:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students who graduated in 2007 have applied for the Saskatchewan Graduate Tax Exemption?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 256:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students who graduated in 2007 and applied for the Saskatchewan Graduate Tax Exemption had received: (1) A certificate? (2) A diploma? (3) A degree? (4) Certification to journeyman?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 257:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students who graduated in 2007 and applied for the Graduate Tax Exemption were eligible?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 258:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many students who graduated in 2007 and applied for the Graduate Tax Exemption completed their training in-province? (2) How many completed their training out-of-province?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 259:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students who graduated in 2007, completed their training out-of-province, and applied for the Graduate Tax Exemption had received: (1) A certificate? (2) A diploma? (3) A degree? (4) Certification to journeyman?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 260:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many out-of-province students who graduated in 2007 and applied for the Graduate Tax Exemption were eligible?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 261:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What is the projected total tax relief provided to students who graduated in 2007?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 262:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the total tax relief provided for students who graduated in 2007 and received their training outside of the province?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 263:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) Will students who graduate in 2008 be eligible for the Saskatchewan Graduate Tax Exemption? (2) If yes, will students who received the Graduate Tax Exemption also be eligible for the tuition rebate program?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 264:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How will those who have qualified for the Graduate Tax Exemption be informed of program changes?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 265:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What will the cost be for informing people of changes to the Graduate Tax Exemption program?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 266:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What administrative costs are associated with ending the Graduate Tax Exemption?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 267:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What amount of funding has been contributed to the First Nations Access Roads projects in 2006/07?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 268:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What amount of funding has been contributed to the First Nations Access Roads projects in 2007/08?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 269:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 270:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 271:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many hours were spent by government lawyers in drafting Bill No. 5? (2) How many hours were spent by government lawyers in drafting Bill No. 6? (3) How many hours were spent by government lawyers in reviewing Bill No. 5? (4) How many hours were spent by government lawyers in reviewing Bill No. 6? (5) What, if any, tasks were contracted out to the private sector in preparing Bill No. 5? (6) By who? (7) What, if any, tasks were contracted out to the private sector in preparing Bill No. 6? (8) By who?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 272:

To the Minister of Justice: Did the government seek a legal ruling from Justice as to the legality of transferring funds (specifically the moneys in the Green Future Fund) from the Crown Investment portfolio to the General Revenue Fund?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 273:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Did the Ministry of Justice draft Bill No. 5 – The Public Service Essential Services Act, or was it drafted by an outside agency? (2) If it was drafted by an outside agency, who drafted it? (3) How much were they paid to draft it? (4) When was it drafted?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 274:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 275:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 276:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the vehicle theft rate in North Battleford in 2006/07? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 277:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many Marriage Commissioners held appointments in Saskatchewan in 2005/06? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 278:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many Marriage Commissioners held appointments in Saskatchewan in 2006/07? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 279:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many Marriage Commissioners held appointments in Saskatchewan as of December 1, 2007? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 280:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many religious officials were authorized to perform marriages in Saskatchewan in 2005/06? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 281:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many religious officials were authorized to perform marriages in Saskatchewan in 2006/07? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 282:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many religious officials were authorized to perform marriages in Saskatchewan as of December 1, 2007? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 283:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the overall crime rate in Saskatchewan in 2005/06? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 284:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the overall crime rate in Saskatchewan in 2006/07? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 285:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the overall crime rate in Saskatchewan as of December 1, 2007? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 286:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the violent crime rate in Saskatchewan in 2005/06? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 287:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the violent crime rate in Saskatchewan in 2006/07? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 288:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the violent crime rate in Saskatchewan as of December 1, 2007? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 289:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the homicide rate in Saskatchewan in 2005/06? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 290:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the homicide rate in Saskatchewan in 2006/07? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 291:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the homicide rate in Saskatchewan as of December 1, 2007? (2) What is the authority or source for the numbers you are providing?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 292:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) Who is your ministry's Freedom of Information officer? (2) What is their contact information? (3) What are the names and job titles of every person who works in your ministerial office (including administrative support)? (4) What are their salaries?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 293:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport (1) What physical signs (building signs, highway signs, etc.) have been replaced in your department with the change from "department" to "ministry"? (2) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many legal agreements, including employee contracts, must be converted to the new name? (3) At what cost? (4) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many vendors must be contacted to convert billing information? (5) Who will do this work? (6) Due to the change from "department" to "ministry", how many support documents, including brochures, newsletters and reports, are in circulation? (7) How many will be reprinted because of the change? (8) At what cost?