



No. 81

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

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: Carr, Chartier, Belanger, Sproule, Forbes, Rancourt, McCall, Sarauer, Meili, and Vermette.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to order and pursuant to rule 16(7), petitions from residents of the province of Saskatchewan, requesting the following action, were read and received:

To add passing lanes along Highway 7.

(Sessional paper no. 403)

To stop the federal government from imposing a carbon tax on the province.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 225)

To construct a second bridge for Prince Albert.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 226)

To increase funding to Prince Albert mobile crisis.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 314)

- To eliminate the wage gap between women and men. (Addendum to sessional paper no. 315)
- To ensure job security for victims of domestic violence. (Addendum to sessional paper no. 320)
- To restore funding to post-secondary institutions. (Addendum to sessional paper no. 335)
- To stop the cuts to spiritual care programs in health region facilities. (Addendum to sessional paper no. 340)
- To repeal Bill No. 63 – The Education Amendment Act, 2017. (Addendum to sessional paper no. 370)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE

The following bill was reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:

That Bill No. 52 – The Meewasin Valley Authority Amendment Act, 2017 be now read the third time and passed under its title.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

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Moe	Wyant	Reiter	Morgan	Harpauer
Doherty	Beaudry-Mellor	Hargrave	D'Autremont	Heppner
Boyd	Cheveldayoff	Marit	Tell	Eyre
Merriman	Harrison	Ottenbreit	Weekes	Hart
Kirsch	Bradshaw	Steinley	Makowsky	Phillips
Lawrence	Wilson	Campeau	Docherty	Michelson
Doke	Cox	Olauson	Steele	Young
Fiaz	Dennis	McMorris	Bonk	Carr
Nerlien	Lambert	Buckingham	Kaeding	

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Wotherspoon	Vermette	Chartier	Belanger	Sproule
Forbes	Rancourt	McCall	Sarauer	Meili

The said bill was, accordingly, read the third time and passed.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question no. 360, the answer was tabled and, by reason of its length, converted by the Clerk to return no. 93 pursuant to rule 21(7).

(Sessional paper no. 406)

The order of the day being called for question nos. 361 to 362, and 365 to 370, they were answered. (see appendix)

The order of the day being called for question nos. 363 and 364, pursuant to rule 21(6), the question was converted and an order for return was issued. (see appendix)

SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 70 – The Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2017

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Doherty: That Bill No. 70 – The Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2017 be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Merriman:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:56 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Corey Tochor
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED

The following returns which were ordered by the Assembly on November 3, 2016, were laid upon the Table:

Return nos. 48 and 49 asked by Ms. Sproule

(Sessional paper nos. 404-405)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following responses to written questions were tabled by the government:

Question no. 361 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety: How many violent deaths occurred in Saskatchewan workplaces where the victim knew the assailant?

Answer:

Over the past 10 years, 2007 through 2016, the WCB accepted two claims resulting from violent deaths, which had occurred in Saskatchewan workplaces, where the victim knew the assailant.

Question no. 362 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety: What parts or sections of *The Saskatchewan Employment Act* are teachers who work in Saskatchewan schools (K-12) exempt from?

Answer:

The Saskatchewan Employment Act applies to teachers except for:
 Sections 2-15 and 2-16 of the Act
 Subdivisions 2, 3, 6, and 7 of division 2 of part II of the Act
 Part VI – Labour Relations

Question no. 365 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education: As of the 2016 re-licensing date, how many childcare centres in Saskatchewan were staffed entirely by early childhood educators at level 3?

Answer:

In 2016-17, three childcare centres in the province were staffed entirely by ECE IIIs.

Question no. 366 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education: As of the 2016 re-licensing date, how many childcare centres in Saskatchewan met the minimum staffing requirements for ECE levels 1, 2, and 3 staff members without any of those staff working under “exemption”?

Answer:

In 2016-17, 75 childcare centres met minimum staffing requirements without staff working under an exemption.

Question no. 367 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many ECE’s in Saskatchewan were working in a childcare centre while under exemption in 2009? (2) 2010? (3) 2011? (4) 2012? (5) 2013? (6) 2014? (7) 2015? (8) 2016?

Answer:

Fiscal year*	Childcare worker exemptions			Childcare centre director exemptions (ECC Level III)	Total number of exemptions issued
	ECE level I exemption	ECE level II exemption	ECE level III exemption		
2011/12	354	149	43	76	622
2012/13	359	145	33	71	608
2013/14	384	162	53	96	695
2014/15	418	151	50	105	724
2015/16	421	176	60	113	770
2016/17	396	152	70	115	733

Note: Historical exemption information is not available for years prior to 2011/12. This data represents the number of exemptions issued in a fiscal year, not the number of individuals on exemptions (i.e. an employee may have more than one exemption in a given year) .

Question no. 368 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education: In 2016, how many people employed in licensed, non-profit childcare centres received early childhood educator training while working in a centre?

Answer:

The Ministry of Education does not track the number of people employed in licensed, non-profit, childcare centres who received early childhood educator training while working in a centre.

Question no. 369 (Ms. Beck)

To the Minister of Education: (1) Of those people obtaining or upgrading their early childcare qualification while employed in a childcare centre, what levels of training were obtained – specifically, how many people went from no ECE level to ECE level 1? (2) How many people went from ECE level 1 to ECE level 2? (3) How many people went from ECE level 2 to ECE level 3?

Answer:

Provincially, the certification level of individuals employed in licensed childcare centres is not tracked by level for each fiscal year; transition of childcare centre employees to various levels is also not tracked.

Question no. 370 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education: In 2016, how much did the ministry reimburse for the tuition and materials for people working on ECE qualifications while working in childcare centres?

Answer:

In 2016-17, the Ministry of Education provided \$627,122.40 to licensed childcare facilities (centres and childcare homes) in tuition reimbursement grant funding. Data is not disaggregated for centres and homes.

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

The following written questions were converted and order for returns were issued:

Return no. 94 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Advanced Education: (1) The number of early childhood educators (ECE) graduated in 2016 from Saskatchewan's post-secondary institutions as ECE levels 1. (2) Levels 2. (3) Levels 3.

Return no. 95 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Advanced Education: Based on the most recent data available, the percentage of the students who enrolled in full-time early childhood educator programs in Saskatchewan that completed those programs.

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Makowsky to move the following motion:

That this Assembly supports the government's commitment to take the necessary steps to ensure non-Catholic students can continue to attend Catholic schools and to ensure other faith-based schools outside the separate school system continue to receive provincial funding.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Opposition)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

On the proposed motion of Mr. Wotherspoon:

That *Bill No. 602 – The Election (Fairness and Accountability) Amendment Act* be now read a second time.

(Mr. Forbes)
Adjourned twice

No. 2 (Government)

Not submitted – Item of business determined pursuant to rule 24(4).