

No. 5

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, November 1, 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: Weekes, Chartier, Belanger, Rancourt, and Mowat.

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 immediately stop unfair tax hikes.

(Sessional paper no. 24)

To eliminate the wage gap between men and women.

(Sessional paper no. 25)

To restore funding to post-secondary institutions.

(Sessional paper no. 26)

To provide main street access to highway 1 in Balgonie.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 16)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 17)

To reopen the Buffalo Narrows correctional center.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 19)

To reverse cuts to education.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 20)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 76—The Parks Amendment Act, 2017

(Hon. Mr. Makowsky)

Bill No. 77—The Miscellaneous Statutes (Superannuation Plans) Amendment Act, 2017

(Hon. Ms. Harpauer)

Bill No. 78—The Municipal Employees' Pension Amendment Act, 2017

(Hon. Ms. Harpauer)

Bill No. 79—The Public Employees Pension Plan Amendment Act, 2017

(Hon. Ms. Harpauer)

Bill No. 80—The Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2017

(Hon. Ms. Harpauer)

MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Carr, seconded by Mr. Nerlien, moved:

That an Humble Address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE VAUGHN SOLOMON SCHOFIELD Lieutenant Governor of the province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the province of Saskatchewan, in session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session,

and the proposed amendment moved by Ms. Sproule, seconded by Ms. Mowat:

That the motion be amended by adding the following:

And, That this Assembly does not support the Sask Party's unambitious agenda that ignores the realities faced by Saskatchewan families and focuses on backtracking, bravado and revisionist history, instead of creating jobs, strengthening the North and rural Saskatchewan, making life

more affordable, or investing in our kids classrooms, health care and supports for seniors and our most vulnerable.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, pursuant to rule 6(7), the Speaker adjourned the Assembly.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Corey Tochor Speaker

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Monday:

Hon. Ms. Harpauer to move first reading of Bill No. 84—The Income Tax (Business Income) Amendment Act, 2017

Hon. Mr. Bonk to move first reading of Bill No. 85—The Reclaimed Industrial Sites Amendment Act, 2017

Hon. Mr. Merriman to move first reading of Bill No. 86—The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2017

Ms. Sarauer to move first reading of Bill No. 605—The Saskatchewan Employment (Support for Survivors of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2017

Mr. Forbes to move first reading of Bill No. 606—The Election (Fairness and Accountability) Amendment Act, 2017

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 2 and are to be answered by day no. 7:

Question no. 1 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, for each year since 2007, how many reservists have been able to qualify under *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave?

Question no. 2 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, for each year since 2007, how many inquiries has the ministry received regarding *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave?

Question no. 3 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission, how many reservists have been able to qualify under *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave since 2007?

Question no. 4 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission, how many inquiries has the Commission received regarding *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave since 2007?

Question no. 5 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Finance, how many reservists have been able to qualify under *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave since 2007?

Question no. 6 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Finance, how many inquiries has the Commission received regarding *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave since 2007?

Question no. 7 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Education, how many reservists have been able to qualify under *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave since 2007?

Question no. 8 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Education, how many inquiries has the Commission received regarding *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*, sub division 11, section 2–5, reserve force service leave since 2007?

Question no. 9 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, how many Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) claims of psychological injury have been reported to date in 2017?

Question no. 10 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, how many WCB claims of psychological injury have been accepted to date in 2017?

Question no. 11 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, what has been the time loss due to WCB claim of psychological injury to date in 2017?

Question no. 12 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, what has been the average duration in days due to WCB claims of psychological injury to date in 2017?

Question no. 13 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, how many WCB claims of psychological injury have been accepted that had no time loss to date in 2017?

Question no. 14 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, how many WCB claims of psychological injury have been disallowed to date in 2017?

Question no. 15 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Economy, what incentives have been offered or provided to Yancoal Canada for the Yancoal Southey project?

Question no. 16 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education, for each school division, what is the student enrolment for 2017–18?

Question no. 17 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education, for each school division, what was the average class size in 2012–13, 2013–14, 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, and 2017–18?

Question no. 18 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education, for each school division, what was the maximum class size in 2012–13, 2013–14, 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, and 2017–18?

The following question was given notice on day no. 4 and is to be answered by day no. 9

Question no. 19 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education, for each school division, what was the average student-to-teacher ratio for 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, and 2016/17?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 5 and are to be answered by day no. 10

Question no. 20 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Environment, how many charges were laid under *The Environmental Management and Protection Act* in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 (to date)?

Question no. 21 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Environment, how many charges laid under *The Environmental Management and Protection Act* were due to agricultural drainage in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 (to date)?

Question no. 22 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Environment, what kinds of activities require an aquatic habitat protection permit?

Question no. 23 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Environment, how many charges have been laid under *The Wildfire Habitat Protection Act* in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 (to date)?

Question no. 24 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Environment, how many charges laid under *The Wildfire Habitat Protection Act* were due to agricultural drainage in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 (to date)?

Question no. 25 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, how many permits have been issued for new drainage works in the Quill Lakes basin?

Question no. 26 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, to date, how many drainage works have been closed or consolidated under the recently announced plan to manage agricultural drainage?

Question no. 27 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, what efforts have been made to restore the storage in the Quill Lakes watershed that was highlighted in KGS Group Consulting Engineers' report on the Quill Lakes flood?

Question no. 28 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, how many of each have been installed in the Quill Lakes basin in 2017: (a) ditch blocks, (b) consolidation, and (c) flow controls?

Question no. 29 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, what percentage of a reduction in inflows into the Quill Lakes does Water Security Agency anticipate as a result of responsible drainage measure being implemented in 2017?

Question no. 30 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, what measures under *The Water Security Agency Amendment Act*, 2016 have been utilized to address illegal drainage still occurring in the Quill Lakes watershed?

Question no. 31 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, why has the Water Security Agency not established a drainage moratorium in the Quill Lakes watershed?

Question no. 32 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, (a) how many complaints have been lodged with the Water Security basin from the Quill Lake basin, and (b) of these, how many have been resolved?

Question no. 33 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, how many complaints of illegal drainage were received in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017?

Question no. 34 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, *The Water Security Agency Amendment Act* regulations indicate drainage impacts may need to be mitigated—under what circumstance is mitigation required?

Question no. 35 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, how many penalties and/or charges have been laid due to illegal drainage in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017?

Question no. 36 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, what was Water Security Agency's rationale for not applying mitigation guidelines for wetland loss developed by the Ministry of Environment to the agricultural sector?

Question no. 37 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, what measures has Water Security Agency undertaken to mitigate phosphorus entering waterways?

Question no. 38 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, how were the drainage pilot areas chosen for the agricultural water management strategy?

Question no. 39 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, what was the process for dealing with complaints that existed before the formation of the agricultural water management strategy drainage pilots?

Question no. 40 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, what was the process for dealing with complaints that existed before the formation of the agricultural water management strategy drainage pilots?

Question no. 41 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, how is liability determined in the case of a project failure caused by the work of a qualified person that results in the downstream damages, water contamination, or infrastructure loss?