



No. 48

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

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PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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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: Cox, Beck, Forbes, and Sarauer.

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 fully restore cuts to education.

(Sessional paper no. 140)

To immediately support the establishment of universal pharmacare.

(Sessional paper no. 141)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 17)

To overhaul Saskatchewan campaign finance laws.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 18)

To pass legislation for critical supports for victims of domestic violence.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 50)

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE
RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES AFFAIRES INTERGOUVERNEMENTALES ET DE LA JUSTICE**

The following bills were reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, they were read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 95—The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal and Amendment Act, 2017

Bill No. 97—The Arbitration (Family Dispute Resolution) Amendment Act, 2017

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. Morgan:

That Bill No. 98—The Miscellaneous Statutes (Family Dispute Resolution) Amendment Act, 2017 be now read the third time and passed under its title.

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

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

The following bills were reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, they were read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 104—The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code, 2017
Projet de loi n° 104—Code des droits de la personne de la Saskatchewan de 2017

Bill No. 105—The Saskatchewan Human Rights Consequential Amendment Act, 2017

Le projet de loi suivant est rapporté sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier sur les projets de loi, l'hon. M. Morgan propose:

Que le projet de loi n° 98—Loi modificative diverse (résolution des conflits familiaux) de 2017 soit maintenant lu une troisième fois et adopté, portant le titre indiqué.

Il s'élève un débat et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée.

Ledit projet de loi est lu une troisième fois et adopté.

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STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

(Withdrawal of privilege case on early release of a bill)

Yesterday, the Opposition House Leader (Ms. Sarauer) raised a question of privilege concerning the release of details related to Bill No.126—The Energy Export Act before its introduction in the Assembly.

At the beginning of Routine Proceedings, the Minister of Energy and Resources (Hon. Ms. Eyre) apologized and provided an explanation to the Assembly about how a news release on the bill was released to the media in error. She assured the Assembly that steps will be taken to ensure such an error will not happen again.

Subsequently, the Opposition House Leader wrote the Speaker to indicate she would not put forward her question of privilege as a consequence of the minister's apology. This obviates the need for a Speaker's ruling. For reason of the minister's apology, and the formal withdrawal of the case, I consider the matter closed.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question nos. 231 to 232, and 234 to 235, pursuant to rule 21(6), the questions were converted and orders for return were issued. (see appendix)

The order of the day being called for question nos. 233, and 236 to 239, they were answered. (see appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

Bill No. 123—The Snowmobile (Fees) Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hargrave: That Bill No. 123—The Snowmobile (Fees) Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Brkich, in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 123—The Snowmobile (Fees) Amendment Act, 2018 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

Bill No. 91—The Snowmobile Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hargrave: That Bill No. 91—The Snowmobile Amendment Act, 2017 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Brkich, in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 91—The Snowmobile Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

Bill No. 110—The Animal Protection Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Stewart: That Bill No. 110—The Animal Protection Act, 2017 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Brkich, in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 110—The Animal Protection Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

Bill No. 126—The Energy Export Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 126—The Energy Export Act be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Sarauer, adjourned.

Bill No. 73—The Insurance Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 73—The Insurance Amendment Act, 2017 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Brkich, in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 73—The Insurance Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

**Bill No. 99—The Interpretation Amendment Act, 2017 (No. 2)
Projet de loi n° 99—Loi modificative n° 2 de 2017 sur l'interprétation**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 99—The Interpretation Amendment Act, 2017 (No. 2) be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Morgan: Que le projet de loi n° 99—Loi modificative n° 2 de 2017 sur l'interprétation soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Brkich, in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 99—The Interpretation Amendment Act, 2017 (No. 2) was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Brkich, conformément au règlement 85, le projet de loi n° 99—Loi modificative n° 2 de 2017 sur l'interprétation est renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires intergouvernementales et de la justice.

Bill No. 106—The Missing Persons and Presumption of Death Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 106—The Missing Persons and Presumption of Death Amendment Act, 2017 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Brkich, in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 106—The Missing Persons and Presumption of Death Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 121—The Cannabis Control (Saskatchewan) Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 121—The Cannabis Control (Saskatchewan) Act be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Sarauer, adjourned.

Bill No. 122—The Cannabis Control (Saskatchewan) Consequential Amendments Act, 2018
Projet de loi n° 122—Loi de 2018 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Cannabis Control
(Saskatchewan) Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 122—The Cannabis Control (Saskatchewan) Consequential Amendments Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Morgan: Que le projet de loi n° 122—Loi de 2018 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Cannabis Control (Saskatchewan) Act soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Sarauer, adjourned.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Sarauer, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 127—The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 127—The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. McCall, adjourned.

Bill No. 128—The Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 128—The Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. McCall, adjourned.

Bill No. 124—The Environmental Management and Protection (Environmental Handling Charges) Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Duncan: That Bill No. 124—The Environmental Management and Protection (Environmental Handling Charges) Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. McCall, adjourned.

Bill No. 125—The Saskatchewan Value-added Agriculture Incentive Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison: That Bill No. 125—The Saskatchewan Value-added Agriculture Incentive Act be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. McCall, adjourned.

Pursuant to rule 6(7), the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly.

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

Hon. Mark Docherty
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED

The following returns which were ordered by the Assembly on March 26, 2018, were laid upon the Table:

Return nos. 79–82 asked by Ms. Sproule

(Sessional paper nos. 142–145)

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:

Saskatchewan Municipal Board: 2017 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 146)

Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency: 2017 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 147)

By the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Public Employees Disability Income Fund: 2017 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 148)

Public Employees Group Life Insurance Fund: 2017 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 149)

Public Employees Deferred Salary Leave Fund: 2017 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 150)

Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan: 2017 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 151)

By the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

Bylaws, rules, and regulations of the following professional associations and amendments thereto under provisions of the respective Acts:

College of Physicians and Surgeons of the province of Saskatchewan

Funeral and Cremation Services Council

Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals

(Addendums to sessional paper no. 76)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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

Question no. 233 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what was the average wait for a patient for admission to Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18?

Answer:

This information is not available. Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford is unlike the other mental health centres in the province. Admissions come from a number of sources that do not occur in psychiatric units of other hospitals. These include forensic assessments, long term detention orders, and patients under a Saskatchewan review board disposition.

Question no. 236 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, (a) how many CLSD (community living service division) clients (adults) are currently in the Dubé Centre, (b) what is the longest stay, and (c) what is the average length of stay for CLSD adults?

Answer:

In order to protect the privacy and confidentiality of individuals, this information has been suppressed. A breach of confidentiality could occur if information is disclosed or released in a way that allows an individual to be identified and reveals confidential information about that person. This is pursuant to *The Health Information Protection Act*.

Question no. 237 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, (a) how many CLSD clients (children and youth) are currently in the Dubé Centre, (b) what is the longest stay, and (c) what is the average length of stay for CLSD children and youth?

Answer:

- (a) There are no CLSD child and youth clients in the Dubé Centre.
- (b) N/A
- (c) N/A

Question no. 238 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Government, (a) in terms of the *Prairie Resilience: A Made-in-Saskatchewan Climate Change Strategy*, what organizations were consulted in its development in 2017, (b) what organizations were consulted in its development in 2018 (to date), (c) was there any external contract work informing its development, (d) if there were external contracts, who was contracted, and (e) if there were external contracts, what was the value of the contract?

Answer:

- (a) Alliance Pipeline, AREVA, ATCO Power, Baytex Energy Corp., BHP, Blackpearl Resources, Cameco, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, Canadian Natural Resources Limited, Canadian Power Holdings, Cargill, City of Regina, City of Saskatoon, Cona Resources, Crescent Point Energy, Ducks Unlimited, Evraz, Federated Co-operative Limited, Husky Energy, International Emissions Trading Association (IETA), International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), K+S Potash Canada, Meadow Lake Mechanical Pulp (Paper Excellence), Meridian Limited Partnership, Mosaic, NAL Resources, Nature Conservancy of Canada, Northland Power, Nutrien, Pembina Institute, Plains Midstream Canada, PotashCorp (Nutrien), Raging River Exploration, Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association, Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, Saskatchewan Construction Association, Saskatchewan Environmental Society, Saskatchewan Heavy Construction Association, Saskatchewan Mining Association, Saskatchewan Pulse Growers Association, Saskatchewan Wheat Development Commission,

Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation, SaskCanola, SaskEnergy, SaskPower, Serafina, Spartan Energy Corp., Steel Reef Infrastructure Corp., Surge Energy, Teine Energy, Terra Grain Fuels, TransCanada, TransGas, Treasury Board Crowns, University of Saskatchewan, Westmoreland Coal Company, Whitecap Resources, and Yara Belle Plaine.

- (b) Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan (APAS), Ag-West Bio, Akzo Nobel Chemicals Ltd., Alliance Pipeline, AREVA, Association of Consulting Engineering Companies (ACEC), ATCO Electricity, AtricCan Energy Services Inc., BHP, BluEarth Renewables, Bluesource Canada, Brett Dolter, Bunge, Cameco Corporation, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses (CFIB), Canadian Fuels Association, Canadian Natural Resources Limited, Canadian Oilseed Processors Association, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Canadian Solar Industries Association, Canadian Wind Energy Association (CanWEA), Cargill, Chicken Farmers of Saskatchewan, City of Regina, City of Saskatoon, Cona Resources, Co-op Refinery Complex's, Crescent Point Energy, Ducks Unlimited Canada, E.Six Consultants, EDF EN Canada, Evraz, Federated Co-operative Limited, Fertilizer Canada, Global Institute for Water Security, University of Saskatchewan, Golder Associates, Green Diesel, GreenWave Innovation, Henry Dayday (Private Investor), Husky Energy, Integrated Modelling Program for Canada (IMPC), K + S Potash Canada, Louis Dreyfus Company, MCE Consulting, Meadow Lake Mechanical Pulp Inc. (Paper Excellence), Mosaic Potash, NAL Resources Ltd., Nature Conservancy of Canada, Nature Saskatchewan, North Saskatoon Business Association, Northland Power, Nutrien, Orano, Potentia Renewables, Prairie Water, Premier Tech Horticulture, Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM), Saskatchewan Canola Growers Association (SaskCanola), Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association (SCA), Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, Saskatchewan Construction Association, Saskatchewan Environmental Industry Manager Association, Saskatchewan Environmental Society, Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists (SIA), Saskatchewan Mining Association, Saskatchewan Pulse Growers Association, Saskatchewan Research Council 36, Saskatchewan Soil Conservation Association, Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association (SSGA), Saskatchewan Wheat Development Commission, Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation, SaskEnergy Incorporated, , Serafina Energy Ltd., Sexton Grazing and Consulting, Shore Gold Inc., Steel Reef Infrastructure Corp., Stephen Hall Creative, Teine Energy, Terra Grain Fuels, Titan Clean Energy, TransCanada, TransGas Limited, University of Regina, University of Saskatchewan, Westmoreland Coal Company, Weyerhaeuser, Whitecap Resources, and Yara Belle Plain.
- (c) Yes, contracted work was used.
- (d) Contractors and values of the contracts include: DeMarco Allan LLP (\$315,072), Mr. Hal Sanders (\$35,500), MNP LLP (\$104,400), The University of Regina—Institute for Energy, Environment and Sustainable Communities (\$117,975).
- (e) Contractors and values of the contracts include: DeMarco Allan LLP (\$315,072), Mr. Hal Sanders (\$35,500), MNP LLP (\$104,400), The University of Regina—Institute for Energy, Environment and Sustainable Communities (\$117,975).

Question no. 239 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Government, (a) in terms of the federal government's Canada Social Transfer under the *Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act*, how were these funds allocated each fiscal year since 2006-07, and (b) how is the amount provided to each dedicated program determined?

Answer:

The Canada Social Transfer (CST) is a unconditional federal block transfer to provinces and territories in support of post-secondary education, children's programs, and social programs. The CST funding provided to provinces and territories is calculated on an equal per capita cash basis. As CST funding is unconditional, there is no explicit dedication or allocation of the funding to specific programming. CST revenues are received into the General Revenue Fund and allocated through the budget process to priority areas.

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

The following written questions were converted and orders for return were issued:

Return no. 87 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, the operating patient census at the Dubé Centre in 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18.

Return no. 88 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, the longest recorded wait time from triage at an emergency department to receiving a bed in the Dubé Centre once it is determined a patient should be admitted in 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18.

Return no. 89 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, (a) in terms of youth with mild to moderate psychiatric concerns, the current target to provide services, and (b) the number of children and youth that are currently waiting for these services.

Return no. 90 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, (a) in terms of youth classified with urgent psychiatric concerns, the target to provide services, and (b) the number of children and youth that are currently waiting for these services.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Monday:

Hon. Ms. Beaudry-Mellor to move first reading of Bill No. 129—The Saskatchewan Technology Start-up Incentive Act

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

On Monday:

Hon. Mr. Duncan, to move the following motion:

That this Assembly supports the provincial government's decision to launch a reference case challenging the federal government's constitutional authority to impose a carbon tax on Saskatchewan.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 47 and are to be answered by day no. 52:

Question no. 240 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Government, for each ministry, Crown corporation, and agency, how many people with disabilities were employed in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18?

Question no. 241 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Government, for each post-secondary institution, how many people with disabilities were students in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 48 and are to be answered by day no. 53:

Question no. 242 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Immigration and Career Training, how many applicants were accepted to the Saskatchewan immigrant nominee program (SINP) for each year since 2014-15?

Question no. 243 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Immigration and Career Training, (a) how many possible SINP policy or foreign worker protection act violations have been investigated each year since 2014-15, and (b) how many investigated cases were completed each year since 2014-15?

Question no. 244 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Immigration and Career Training, (a) how many audits of employers under the foreign worker protection act have been completed each year since 2014-15, (b) how many charges have been laid, and (c) what is the value of any fines or charges?

Question no. 245 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Agriculture, (a) what is the current value of the Pastures Revolving Fund (b) what is the plan for the funds in the Pastures Revolving Fund and the community pasture program, and (c) how many employees have been impacted by the wind down of the community pasture program?

Question no. 246 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Environment, for each fiscal year since 2013-14, how much was collected in environmental handling charges for beverage containers?

Question no. 247 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Environment, for each fiscal year since 2013-14, how much was collected in deposits for beverage containers?

Question no. 248 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Environment, for each fiscal year since 2013-14, how much funding was provided to SARCAN?

Question no. 249, (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Environment, (a) in terms of the funding provided to SARCAN how is this funding level determined (formula, proportion of sales, etc.), (b) have there been any changes to the particulars in determining funding in the last five fiscal years, and if so, how, and (c) are there any planned changes to the particulars of funding in the next five years, if so, what are they?