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1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

(Question out of order)

I have a statement concerning a question asked on May 3, 2018, during Question Period by the Member for Saskatoon Nutana (Ms. Sproule).

At page 4190 of *Hansard*, the Member for Saskatoon Nutana asked the Minister of Finance (Hon. Ms. Harpauer) these questions:

"Doesn't she think women can do math as well as men can? Will the Finance minister apologize for these comments?"

Pursuant to rule 20(2) of *The Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly*, a question must be connected to the government. Upon review, I find the question is about the personal viewpoint of the minister and not connected to the government. My concern does not end there.

At page 624 of the *House of Commons Procedure and Practice*, 3rd edition 2017, it states that the Speaker takes into consideration the intention of the member speaking and the person to whom the words at issue were directed. I have to ask, what was the intention of this question?

Members know all too well, given many, many rulings from the Chair, some as recently as a few weeks ago, that remarks which question a member's integrity, honesty, or character are out of order. The dictionary defines "character" as the moral qualities distinctive to an individual. Previously, I asked members to heed their own code of ethical conduct—to respect differences, and treat each other with fairness in political dealings.

In this instance the question is out of order because it was not related to the government. It was also meant to reflect personally on the minister, which is also out of order and troubling.

I ask the Member for Saskatoon Nutana to withdraw and apologize to the Assembly.

Thereupon, the Member for Saskatoon Nutana apologized and withdrew her remarks.

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Hindley, Vermette, Wotherspoon, Beck, and Forbes.

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 restore the rental housing supplement.

(Sessional paper no. 181)

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 make Orkambi available through the Saskatchewan drug plan for Cystic Fibrosis. (Addendum to sessional paper no. 74)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question nos. 250 to 252, pursuant to rule 21(6), the questions were converted and orders for return were issued. (see appendix)

INTERIM SUPPLY

The Assembly, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider resolutions for interim supply.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding two hundred fifty-six million dollars be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31, 2019.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019, the sum of two hundred fifty-six million dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

The said resolutions were reported, read twice and agreed to, and the committee given leave to sit again.

The Appropriation Act, 2018 (No. 1)

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 130—The Appropriation Act, 2018 (No. 1) be introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly and pursuant to rule 32(1)(e), the said bill was then read a second and third time and passed under its title.

ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

Bill No. 76—The Parks Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Makowsky: That Bill No. 76—The Parks 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, That Bill No. 76—The Parks Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 82—The SaskEnergy Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hargrave: That Bill No. 82—The SaskEnergy 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. 82—The SaskEnergy Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

Bill No. 86—The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Merriman: That Bill No. 86—The Child and Family Services 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. 86—The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

Bill No. 89—The School Choice Protection Act Projet de loi nº 89—Loi sur la protection du choix d'école

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 89—The School Choice Protection Act be now read a second time.	L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. Mme Eyre: Que le projet de loi n° 89—Loi sur la protection du choix d'école 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. 89—The School Choice Protection Act was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.	Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Brkich, conformément au règlement 85, le projet de loi n° 89—Loi sur la protection du choix d'école est renvoyé au Comité permanent des services à la personne.

Bill No. 90—The Heritage Property Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Makowsky: That Bill No. 90—The Heritage Property 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. 90—The Heritage Property Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 103—The Land Contracts (Actions) Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 103—The Land Contracts (Actions) 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. 103—The Land Contracts (Actions) Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 111—The Municipal Tax Sharing (Potash) Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Doke: That Bill No. 111—The Municipal Tax Sharing (Potash) 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. 111—The Municipal Tax Sharing (Potash) Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 113—The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Doke: That Bill No. 113—The Planning and Development 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. 113—The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 115—The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act, 2017

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 115—The Residential Tenancies 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. 115—The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act, 2017 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

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 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. 125—The Saskatchewan Value-added Agriculture Incentive Act 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 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. 126—The Energy Export Act was committed to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Brkich:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:04 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Mark Docherty Speaker

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

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

Return no. 96 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Government, the location the funding for saskjobs.ca can be found in the Government of Saskatchewan 2018-19 budget estimates.

Return no. 97 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Government, the amount that was spent on saskjobs.ca for each fiscal year since 2013-14.

Return no. 98 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Government, (a) in terms of utilization of the saskjobs.ca website for each fiscal year since 2012-13 the number of employers that utilized the site, and (b) the number of job-seekers that utilized the site.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 51 and are to be answered by day no. 56:

Question no. 253 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Social Services, (a) for each housing authority, how many accessible units are there, (b) how many people are currently waiting for accessible units, and (c) what is the last recorded wait time?

Question no. 254 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Social Services, (a) for each housing authority, how many units for individuals are there, (b) how many people are currently waiting for individual units, and (c) what is the last recorded wait time for individual units?

Question no. 255 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Social Services, (a) for each housing authority, how many units for families are there, (b) how many people are currently waiting for family units, and (c) what is the last recorded wait time for family units?

Question no. 256 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Social Services, (a) in terms of the Government of Saskatchewan's portfolio renewal initiative, who was consulted on the development of this initiative, (b) with who were meetings held in the development of this initiative, (c) were there any external contracts in the development of this initiative, (d) if there were any external contracts in the development of this initiative, who were they with, (e) if there were any external contracts in the development of this initiative, what was the value of each, (f) what is the objective of this initiative, (g) how long is the initiative planned to last, (h) is the initiative planned to be revenue neutral, and (i) if the initiative is not planned to be revenue neutral, what are the anticipated impacts on revenue?

Question no. 257 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Social Services, (a) for each fiscal year since 2011-12, what was the government expenditure on the rental construction incentive, (b) the affordable home ownership program, (c) the corporate income tax rebate, and (d) Headstart on a Home program?