

No. 59

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

SECOND SESSION—TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

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: McMorris, 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 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)

To make Orkambi available through the Saskatchewan drug plan for Cystic Fibrosis.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 74)

To invest in mental health and addictions services in northern Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 133)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

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. 85—The Reclaimed Industrial Sites Amendment Act, 2017

Bill No. 129—The Saskatchewan Technology Start-up Incentive Act

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND 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. 107—The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2017

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

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES

Ms. Sarauer, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services, presented the committee's tenth report, which is as follows:

The committee considered the following estimates for the Legislative Assembly and the officers of the Legislative Assembly and adopted the following resolutions:

2018-2019 Estimates

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2019, the following sums:

Legislative Assembly and the Officers of the Legislative Assembly

For Advocate for Children and Youth.	\$2,456,000
For Conflict of Interest Commissioner	\$544,000
For Information and Privacy Commissioner	\$1,601,000
For Legislative Assembly	\$9,677,000
For Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner	\$3,753,000
For Provincial Auditor.	\$8,457,000

The committee reviewed the following estimates for which no funds were requested or required to be voted:

For Chief Electoral Officer (Statutory)

The committee recommends that upon concurrence of its report by the Assembly, the sums as reported and approved shall be included in the appropriation bill for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

(Sessional paper no. 204)

On motion of Ms. Sarauer:

Ordered, That the Tenth Report of the Standing Committee on House Services be now concurred in.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Brkich:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

Hon. Mark Docherty Speaker

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Weekes to move the following motion:

That this Assembly supports the Government of Saskatchewan's commitment to innovative solutions to recruiting and retaining physicians and nurses in Saskatchewan, which has led to nearly 900 more physicians and 3,700 more nurses since 2007.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Opposition)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

1. On the proposed motion of Mr. Forbes:
That Bill No. 606—The Election (Fairness and Accountability) Amendment Act, 2017 be now read a second time.

(Mr. Wotherspoon) *To be voted*

No. 2 (Government)

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

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 56 and are to be answered by day no. 61:

Question no. 258 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) how many cases have been resolved through the Government of Saskatchewan's remand strategy program, (b) for each case resolved, what was the resolution, and (c) how many cases were resolved by the remand strategy program in each jurisdiction?

Question no. 259 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, how many provincial court trial dates have been cancelled in Weyburn since January 1, 2017?

Question no. 260 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) how much has been spent on renovations at the Estevan Queen's Bench court house since January 1, 2017, and (b) what is the budgeted cost of planned renovations at the Estevan Queen's Bench court house in 2018-19?

Question no. 261 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) how much has been spent on travel and accommodations for staff, including judiciary, to Weyburn since January 1, 2017 for court matters, and (b) how much has it cost for travel and accommodations for staff, including judiciary, to Estevan since January 1, 2017 for court matters?

Question no. 262 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) how many additional full-time equivalents (FTEs) have been added to the Estevan Queen's Bench court house since January 1, 2017, (b) how many Queen's Bench trials have been held at the Days Inn in Estevan since January 1, 2017, (c) what is the current wait time for a Queen's Bench trial in Estevan, (d) what is the average length of the chambers list in Estevan Queen's Bench, by number of cases since January 1, 2017, and (e) what is the longest length of the chambers list in Estevan Queen's Bench, by number of cases since January 1, 2017?

Question no. 263 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) what is the status of the occupational health and safety complaint regarding the reduction of deputy sheriffs in court houses, and (b) are deputy sheriffs or commissioners being used to transport inmates from court locations to jails?

Question no. 264 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) in terms of legal aid Saskatchewan, how many FTE positions are currently unfilled, and (b) what is the location of the unfilled positions?

Question no. 265 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, for each legal aid location, what is the average current wait time for a meeting in each area of law?

Question no. 266 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, for each additional training course/requirement for the members of the provincial response team, how many hours are required?

Question no. 267 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) how much has been paid in severance each fiscal year since 2006-07, and (b) how many people have been laid off in each fiscal year since 2006-07?

Question no. 268 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) in terms of the Family Matters program, how many inquiries were made to Family Matters each year since 2016, (b) how many individuals received mediation each year since 2016, (c) how many individuals received legal advice each year since 2016, (d) what were other possible outcomes of calls received, and (e) for each service offered, what is the average wait time for someone to access services through Family Matters each year since 2016?

Question no. 269 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, what is the status of the fine option program redesign request for proposal?

Question no. 270 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) in terms of the Office of Residential Tenancies, how many files were opened in 2017-18, (b) how many FTEs were actively working at the end of the 2017-18 fiscal year, (c) how many FTEs were actively working at the end of the 2016-17 fiscal year, (d) how many FTEs are budgeted to be employed in 2018-19, (e) how many certificate applications have been made per s. 12.4 of *The Residential Tenancies Act*, 2006, as per the changes found in *The Victims of Interpersonal Violence Amendment Act*, and (f) how many certificate applications have been made per s. 12.4 of *The Residential Tenancies Act*, 2006, as per the changes found in *The Victims of Interpersonal Violence Amendment Act* have been approved?

Question no. 271 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, what is the funding allocation for Community Legal Assistance Services for Saskatoon Inner City Inc. (CLASSIC) in the 2018-19 budget?

Question no. 272 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) what is the current status of the Pelican Narrows court house construction, and (b) has the construction at the Pelican Narrows court house been deferred or will it take place in the 2018-19 fiscal year?

Question no. 273 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, for each correctional centre with a canteen, what is the current cost of each item?

Question no. 274 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) for each city and town receiving provincial government funding for municipal policing, what was the funding in 2016-17, (b) what was the funding in 2017-18, and (c) what is the budgeted allocation for 2018-19?

Question no. 275 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) how much has been paid in severance each fiscal year since 2006-07, and (b) how many people have been laid off in each fiscal year since 2006-07?

Question no. 276 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, for each corrections facility, how many program coordinators FTEs are currently on staff?

Question no. 277 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, how many inmates have purchased the monthly call package as per the Synergy contract to provide telmate services to Saskatchewan correctional facilities?

Question no. 278 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, what are the point in time custodial percentage capacity rates for May 1, 2018?

Question no. 279 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) what is the percentage of inmates who have a diagnosed mental illness, and (b) of those inmates diagnosed with a mental illness, how many suffer from an addiction?

Question no. 280 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) in terms of the Battlefords community correctional centre, when is it scheduled to be closed, (b) where will the inmates be placed once it is closed, and (c) what are the primary residences of the current Battleford closed correctional facility inmates?

Question no. 281 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) in terms of the North Battleford Youth Centre, when is it scheduled to be closed, (b) where will the inmates be placed once it is closed, and (c) what are the primary residences of the current Battleford closed correctional facility inmates?

Question no. 282 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many qualified palliative care physician FTEs were working in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18?

Question no. 283 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for each location that exists, how many acute palliative care beds were there in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18?

Question no. 284 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for each location that exists, how many hospice beds were there in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18?

Question no. 285 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how much funding went specifically to palliative care in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18?

The following question was given notice on day no. 57 and is to be answered by day no. 62:

Question no. 286 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Social Services, (a) for each ministry program that pays for any form of client transportation, how many client trips were paid for each month since May 2016, (b) how much did each trip cost, and (c) what was the method of transportation for each trip?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 59 and are to be answered by day no. 64:

Question no. 287 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Government, (a) in terms of ministries that have contracts with the Canadian Public Safety Operations Organization (CanOps), what was the value of the contract, (b) what are the deliverables of the contract, and (c) what is the term of the contract?

Question no. 288 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, how many injuries concerning workplace harassment were made to the occupational health and safety branch in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 (to date)?

Question no. 289 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, how many injuries concerning workplace harassment were investigated by the occupational health and safety branch in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 (to date)?

Question no. 290 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, of those injuries concerning workplace harassment that were investigated by the occupational health and safety branch, how many led to sanctions in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 (to date)?

Question no. 291 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, of those injuries concerning workplace harassment that were investigated by the occupational health and safety branch, how many are ongoing?

Question no. 292 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, of those injuries concerning workplace harassment that were investigated by the occupational health and safety branch, how many were closed without sanctions or penalties?

Question no. 293 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Health, (a) for each ministry program that pays for any form of client transportation and/or medication/supply shipment (including but not limited to Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, northern transportation program, Saskatchewan Disease Control Laboratory, hemodialysis support, etc.), how many trips/shipments were paid for each month since May 2016, (b) how much did each trip/shipment cost, and (c) what was the method of transportation for each trip?