

No. 60

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

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PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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Wednesday, May 16, 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: Beck, Nerlien, 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 fully restore cuts to education.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 140)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES

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. 91—The Snowmobile Amendment Act, 2017

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

Bill No. 88—The Automobile Accident Insurance Amendment Act, 2017

The following bill was reported with amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was considered as amended and read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 81—The Traffic Safety (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2017

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

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 read the third time and passed:

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

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

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 read the third time and passed:

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Brkich:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:28 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Mark Docherty Speaker

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, and (e) what is the longest 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, and (e) what is the longest 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*, 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?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 60 and are to be answered by day no. 65:

Question no. 294 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance, (a) for the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (to date), what was the federal transfer for Growing Forward 2, (b) labour market development agreement, (c) the gas tax transfer, (d) wildfire assistance, and (e) provincial disaster assistance program?

Question no. 295 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance, (a) for the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (to date), what was the revenue generated through total property tax, (b) education property tax, (c) property tax from the GTH, (d) northern municipal trust account, (e) gross provincial sales tax, (f) liquor consumption tax, (g) the cigarette component of the tobacco tax, (h) the cigar component of the tobacco tax, (i) the financial institutions component of the corporation capital tax, (j) the Crown corporation component of the corporation capital tax, (l) motor vehicle insurance premiums tax, and (m) mineral rights tax?

Question no. 296 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance, what was the total income tax revenue in 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (to date)?

Question no. 297 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance, what was the value of the following incentives in 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (to date), (a) graduate retention program, (b) laboursponsored venture capital tax credit, (c) foreign tax credit, (d) political contributions tax credit, (e) mineral exploration tax credit, (f) employees' tools tax credit?

Question no. 298 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance, (a) in terms of the resource surcharge, what was the revenue generated in fiscal years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 (to date), (b) what was the revenue generated through oil and natural gas, (c) potash, and (d) other resource industries?

Question no. 299 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance, (a) for the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (to date), what was the value of the low-income tax credit, (b) the commissions paid for the collection of the provincial sales tax, (c) the commissions paid for the collection of the liquor consumption tax, and (d) First Nations rebates for the tobacco tax?

Question no. 300 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance, (a) for the fiscal years 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (to date), what was the revenue through motor vehicle registration fees, (b) driver's licence fees, (c) other service fees with respect to motor vehicles, and (d) environmental container handling charges?