

No. 15

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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Tuesday, November 20, 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: Forbes, Beaudry-Mellor, Belanger, Mowat, Sarauer, and Wotherspoon.

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 overhaul Saskatchewan campaign finance laws.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 14)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 16)

To maintain quality public security services at Saskatchewan health care facilities.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 23)

To restore the governance structure of the Wascana Centre Authority and end the commercialization of Wascana Park.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 26)

To provide public funding to set up a satellite unit in northwest Saskatchewan to provide hemodialysis treatment.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 45)

To fully restore cuts to education.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 53)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 152 — The Builders' Lien (Prompt Payment) Amendment Act, 2018

(Hon. Mr. Morgan)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question nos. 7 and 9, 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 no. 8, it was answered. (see appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

Bill No. 133 — The Legislative Assembly (Election Dates) Amendment Act, 2018 Projet de loi nº 133 — Loi modificative de 2018 sur l'Assemblée législative (dates d'élection)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 133 — The Legislative Assembly (Election Dates) Amendment 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° 133 — Loi modificative de 2018 sur l'Assemblée législative (dates d'élection) soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Vermette, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 134 — The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 134 — The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 135 — The Local Government Election Consequential Amendments Act, 2018 Projet de loi nº 135 — Loi de 2018 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 135 — The Local Government Election Consequential Amendments Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Kaeding: Que le projet de loi n° 135 — Loi de 2018 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2018 soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Bill No. 136 — The Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison: That Bill No. 136 — The Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 137 — The SaskEnergy (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 137 — The SaskEnergy (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 138 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Government Relations – Enforcement Measures) Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 138 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Government Relations – Enforcement Measures) Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 139 — The Foreign Worker Recruitment and Immigration Services Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 139 — The Foreign Worker Recruitment and Immigration Services Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 140 — The Animal Health Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Marit: That Bill No. 140 — The Animal Health Act be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 142 — The Proceedings Against the Crown Act, 2018 Projet de loi nº 142 — Loi de 2018 sur les poursuites contre la Couronne

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 142 — The Proceedings Against the Crown Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Morgan: Que le projet de loi n° 142 — Loi de 2018 sur les poursuites contre la Couronne soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Bill No. 143 — The Proceedings Against the Crown Consequential Amendments Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 143 — The Proceedings Against the Crown Consequential Amendments Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 144 — The Real Estate Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 144 — The Real Estate Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 145 — The Residential Services Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Merriman: That Bill No. 145 — The Residential Services Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 147 — The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 147 — The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 148 — The Pipelines Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 148 — The Pipelines Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 149 — The Police (Regional Policing) Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 149 — The Police (Regional Policing) Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 150 — The Seizure of Criminal Property Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 150 — The Seizure of Criminal Property Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 151 — The Personal Property Security Amendment Act, 2018

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 151 — The Personal Property Security Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 141 — The Interpersonal Violence Disclosure Protocol (Clare's Law) Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 141 — The Interpersonal Violence Disclosure Protocol (Clare's Law) Act be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Brkich:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:50 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Mark Docherty Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following response to a written question was tabled by the government:

Question no. 8 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Government, for each region for which it is recorded, how many people were living with disabilities in 2013–14, 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, 2017–18, and 2018–19 (to date)?

Answer:

The Ministry of Social Services does not track how many people in the province are living with disabilities.

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

The following written questions were converted and order for returns were issued:

Return no. 4 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Government, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, for each community-based organization provided funding to provide services for residents with disabilities, (a) the name of the organization, (b) the ministry that provided funding, (c) the amount of funding that was provided, (d) the number of clients that received services, and (e) the nature of the services.

Return no. 5 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Government, for each ministry, Crown corporation, and agency, the number of people with disabilities that were employed in (a) 2017–18, and (b) currently.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS AVIS DE MOTIONS PORTANT PREMIÈRE LECTURE DE PROJETS DE LOI

On Thursday / jeudi:

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 155 — The Legislation Act L'hon. M. Morgan proposera la première lecture du projet de loi nº 155 — Loi sur la législation

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 156 — The Legislation Act Consequential Amendments Act, 2018

Mr. Forbes to move first reading of Bill No. 612 — The Legislative Assembly (By-Election Dates) Amendment Act, 2018

M. Forbes proposera la première lecture du projet de loi nº 612 — Loi modificative de 2018 sur l'Assemblée legislative (dates d'élection partielle)

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Ms. Chartier to move the following motion:

That this Assembly calls on the government to develop and implement a strategy for the prevention of suicide in Saskatchewan.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Government)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

On the proposed **motion no. 1** moved by Mr. Hindley:

That this Assembly calls upon the federal government to halt and repeal Bill C-69, legislation which will create even more regulatory uncertainty and politicization in the Canadian energy sector and hurt Canadian workers.

(Mr. Lawrence) *Adjourned once*

No. 2 (Opposition)

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

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 12 and are to be answered by day no. 17:

Question no. 10 (Ms. Beck):

To the Minister of Education, in terms of the library review being undertaken by the ministry, (a) who has been consulted, (b) where and with who have meetings been held, (c) what remuneration has Jeff Barber been awarded since being seconded, (d) have any government employees been seconded, (e) if there have been any external contracts, who are they with, and (f) what is the value of the external contracts?

Question no. 11 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for each month since January 2018, (a) how many days was the Irene & Leslie Dubé Centre for Mental Health over census, (b) what was the maximum number of people who required admission but had no available bed to the Irene & Leslie Dubé Centre for Mental Health, (c) what spaces were used to accommodate patients who were admitted but had no bed in the Irene & Leslie Dubé Centre for Mental Health, (d) how many days was the 'pod' in the electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) suite utilized to accommodate over census, (e) how many days were patients double bunked in rooms designed for only one patient, (f) how many patients requiring mental health inpatient admission had to wait longer than 5 hours, and (g) how many patients seeking mental health treatment left the emergency department without being seen by a physician?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 14 and are to be answered by day no. 19:

Question no. 12 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure, what major deficiencies have been identified with the construction of the Regina bypass?

Question no. 13 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure, what minor deficiencies have been identified with the construction of the Regina bypass?

Ouestion no. 14 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Energy and Resources, how much money did the Government of Saskatchewan contribute to the commercial content feature on the potash industry in the November 15th edition of the *Regina Leader-Post*?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 15 and are to be answered by day no. 20:

Question no. 15 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation, in terms of the net metering program, (a) how many applications for net metering and preliminary interconnection study were received, (b) what was the total value of study fees received to date, (c) how many approval letters and net metering interconnection agreements were received for your signature, (d) how much did SaskPower spend on rebates through this program to date, (e) are there plans to extend and/or renew the program after the November 30 application deadline, and (f) if the program is extended and/or renewed, is the rebate framework expected to remain the same?

Question no. 16 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each vendor-sponsored trip taken by eHealth or Saskatchewan Health Authority (or former health region) employees since 2008, (a) which vendor paid for the trip, (b) what was the destination, (c) what was paid for (i.e. flights, accommodations, meals, per diems, registration fees, seminars, event tickets, etc.), (d) what was the date and length of the trip, (e) how many employees participated, (f) were there any additional costs incurred to the ministry, eHealth, or the provincial health authority (or former health regions), and (g) what, if any contracts were awarded to the vendor after the date of travel by eHealth, the ministry, or the provincial health authority (or former health regions)?

Question no. 17 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Government, for each vendor-sponsored trip taken by government employees since 2008, (a) which vendor paid for the trip, (b) what was the destination, (c) what was paid for (i.e. flights, accommodations, meals, per diems, registration fees, seminars, event tickets, etc.), (d) what was the date and length of the trip, (e) how many employees participated, (f) were there any additional costs incurred to the government, and (g) what, if any contracts were awarded to the vendor after the date of travel by any government ministries?

Question no. 18 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Government, for each vendor-sponsored trip taken by Crown corporation employees since 2008, (a) which vendor paid for the trip, (b) what was the destination, (c) what was paid for (i.e. flights, accommodations, meals, per diems, registration fees, seminars, event tickets, etc.), (d) what was the date and length of the trip, (e) how many employees participated, (f) were there any additional costs incurred to the Crown, and (g) what, if any contracts were awarded to the vendor after the date of travel by any Crowns?

Question no. 19 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, how many incident reports of soiled or dangerous linen were reported each year since 2012?

Question no. 20 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Government, for ministries, health regions, or Crowns that have received funding from drug or pharmaceutical companies for education purposes, (a) what was the funding source, (b) when was it provided, (c) how much was received, and (d) what was the purpose of the funding?

Question no. 21 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for each month since January 2016, how many unplanned system outages has eHealth experienced?

Question no. 22 (Mr. Vermette):

To the Government, (a) does the Pelican Narrows airport currently meet the standards required for year-round fixed wing air ambulance service, and (b) what reports, studies, or analysis support the government's conclusion?

Question no. 23 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation, in terms of the reference on page 18 of the 2017–2018 Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation annual report where it lists \$1,592,089,000 in assets as "due from the Government of Saskatchewan General Revenue Fund", (a) as this is listed as an asset for the SCIC, is there a corresponding liability accounted for in general revenue fund accounting, (b) if there is a corresponding liability, where it is listed or recorded, and (c) if there is no corresponding liability, why not?

Question no. 24 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Finance, in terms of the reference on page 18 of the 2017–2018 Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation annual report where it lists \$1,592,089,000 in assets as "due from the Government of Saskatchewan General Revenue Fund", (a) as this is listed as an asset for the SCIC, is there a corresponding liability accounted for in general revenue fund accounting, (b) if there is a corresponding liability, where it is listed or recorded, and (c) if there is no corresponding liability, why not?

Question no. 25 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, in terms of projections in the 2018–19 budget, (a) what was the estimated revenue from the PST rate increase from 5% to 6%, (b) what was the estimated revenue from applying the PST to purchases of children's clothing, (c) what was the estimated revenue from applying PST to snack foods and restaurant meals, (d) what was the estimated revenue from applying PST to construction material and labour components of the service charges for the real property (e) what was the estimated revenue from the eliminated commission allowance of tax collections, and (f) what was the estimated revenue from applying PST to insurance premiums?

Question no. 26 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, in the first two quarters of the 2018–19 year (or last recorded), (a) what was the actual revenue from the PST rate increase from 5% to 6%, (b) what was the actual revenue from applying the PST to purchases of children's clothing, (c) what was the actual revenue from applying PST to snack foods and restaurant meals, (d) what was the actual revenue from applying PST to construction material and labour components of the service charges for the real property (e) what was the actual revenue from the eliminated commission allowance of tax collections, and (f) what was the actual revenue from applying PST to insurance premiums?

Question no. 27 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, in terms of projections in the 2017–18 budget, (a) what was the estimated revenue from the PST rate increase from 5% to 6%, (b) what was the estimated revenue from applying the PST to purchases of children's clothing, (c) what was the estimated revenue from applying PST to snack foods and restaurant meals, (d) what was the estimated revenue from applying PST to construction material and labour components of the service charges for the real property (e) what was the estimated revenue from the eliminated commission allowance of tax collections, and (f) what was the estimated revenue from applying PST to insurance premiums?

Question no. 28 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, in the 2017–18 year, (a) what was the actual revenue from the PST rate increase from 5% to 6%, (b) what was the actual revenue from applying the PST to purchases of children's clothing, (c) what was the actual revenue from applying PST to snack foods and restaurant meals, (d) what was the actual revenue from applying PST to construction material and labour components of the service charges for the real property (e) what was the actual revenue from the eliminated commission allowance of tax collections, and (f) what was the actual revenue from applying PST to insurance premiums?

Question no. 29 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, what economic impact analysis was conducted into the 2017–18 PST changes on, (a) the construction industry, (b) retail sales of children's clothes, (c) food and beverage industry, and (d) insurance industry?

Question no. 30 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, what were the findings of economic impact analysis conducted into the 2017–18 PST changes on, (a) the construction industry, (b) retail sales of children's clothes, (c) food and beverage industry, and (d) insurance industry?