



No. 19

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION — TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, November 27, 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: Lambert, Wotherspoon, Sproule, 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 reinstate PST exemption on construction.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 12)

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 immediately call for a judicial inquiry and forensic audit into the GTH (Global Transportation Hub) land deal.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 25)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 26)

To immediately support the establishment of universal pharmacare.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 44)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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

Les projets de loi suivants sont reçus, lus une première fois, et la deuxième lecture en est fixée à la prochaine séance:

Bill No. 159 — The Securities Amendment Act, 2018

(Hon. Mr. Morgan)

Bill No. 160 — The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2018

(Hon. Mr. Morgan)

Bill No. 161 — The Trespass to Property Consequential Amendments Act, 2018

Projet de loi n° 161 — Loi de 2018 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2018

(Hon. Mr. / L'hon. M. Morgan)

Bill No. 613 — The Saskatchewan Strategy for Suicide Prevention Act, 2018

(Mr. Vermette)

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. 132 — The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Amendment Act, 2018

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

Mr. Steinley, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the second report of the said committee, which is as follows:

Your committee has considered the following bills and has agreed to report the same without amendment:

Bill No. 901 — The Luther College, Regina Act, 2018

Bill No. 902 — The St. Andrew's College Amendment Act, 2018

And further, that the fees respecting Bill No. 901 and Bill No. 902 be waived.

(Sessional paper no. 62)

On motion of Mr. Steinley:

Ordered, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be now concurred in.

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

Bill No. 901 — The Luther College, Regina Act, 2018

Bill No. 902 — The St. Andrew's College Amendment Act, 2018

MOTION TO GRANT LEAVE OF ABSENCE

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Brkich, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to the member for Regina Rochdale for Monday, November 26, 2018 to Thursday, November 29, 2018 to attend the Women Leaders Global Forum in Reykjavik, Iceland on behalf of this Assembly.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question nos. 12 and 13, 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. 14, it was answered. (see appendix)

SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

Bill No. 158 — The Youth Justice Administration Act, 2018

The Hon. Mr. Morgan, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 158 — The Youth Justice Administration Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Belanger, adjourned.

Bill No. 157 — The Education Amendment Act, 2018 Projet de loi n° 157 — Loi modificative de 2018 sur l'éducation

The Hon. Mr. Harrison, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 157 — The Education Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Belanger, adjourned.

L'hon. M. Harrison, membre du Conseil exécutif, fait savoir à l'Assemblée que Son Honneur le Lieutenant gouverneur, ayant été informé de l'objet du projet de loi, le recommande à la considération de l'Assemblée et propose: Que le projet de loi n° 157 — Loi modificative de 2018 sur l'éducation soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de M. Belanger, le débat est ajourné.

ADJOURNED DEBATES**Bill No. 153 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Leaves) Amendment Act, 2018**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 153 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Leaves) 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. 153 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Leaves) Amendment Act, 2018 was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

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. Pedersen, 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 Mr. Forbes, 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 Mr. McCall, 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. Beck, 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 Mr. Pedersen, 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 Mr. Forbes, adjourned.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 152 — The Builders' Lien (Prompt Payment) Amendment Act, 2018 be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Brkich:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 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. 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*?

Answer:

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QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

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

Return no. 7 (Ms. Sproule):

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

Return no. 8 (Ms. Sproule):

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

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Thursday:

Hon. Mr. Marit to move first reading of Bill No. 162 — The Irrigation Act, 2018

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Olauson to move the following motion:

That this Assembly recognizes the government's investment in education infrastructure to reverse the damage done by the previous NDP government after years of neglect.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Opposition)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

On the proposed **motion no. 2** moved by Ms. Sproule:

That this Assembly calls upon the Sask Party government to immediately launch a judicial inquiry into the land deals associated with the assemblage of land for the Global Transportation Hub.

(Ms. Sarauer)

Adjourned once

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. 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?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 18 and are to be answered by day no. 23:

Question no. 31 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister Responsible for eHealth, in terms of eHealth’s payment of \$6,240,750 for goods and services paid to DeLage Landen Financial Services Canada in the 2017–18 year, (a) what was the good or service provided in the/each contract, (b) what were the deliverables, (c) what is the term of the contract(s), and (d) what tendering process was undertaken?

Question no. 32 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister Responsible for eHealth, in terms of the external investigations undertaken by legal firms into employee conduct at eHealth, (a) which firms were involved with each, (b) what was the cost of each, (c) what was the scope of each of the investigations, (d) what organization's employees were interviewed as part of the investigations, (e) how many contracts were reviewed as part of the investigations, (f) how many years' worth of contracts were reviewed, (g) what date were the investigations presented to eHealth's board of directors, and (h) what were the recommendations, conclusions, and/or findings of the board of directors following the review of the investigations?