



No. 60

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION — TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

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, Vermette, Wotherspoon, Sproule, Mowat, and Pedersen.

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 funding to post-secondary institutions.

(Sessional paper no. 162)

To reinstate PST exemption on construction.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 12)

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 advocate on behalf of farmers with the federal government on seed regulations.
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 124)

To support a new long-term care facility in La Ronge.
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 157)

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. 617 — The Voluntary Blood Donation Act
(Ms. Mowat)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

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. 140 — The Animal Health Act

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. 162 — The Irrigation Act, 2018

Bill No. 170 — The Mineral Taxation Amendment Act, 2019

Ms. Young, Chair of the Standing Committee on the Economy, presented the committee's seventh report, which is as follows:

The committee considered the estimates for the following ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

2019–2020 Estimates

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2020, the following sums:

Executive Branch of Government

For Agriculture	\$389,692,000
For Energy and Resources	\$79,497,000

For Environment	\$175,948,000
For Highways and Infrastructure	\$706,030,000
For Immigration and Career Training.....	\$170,245,000
For Innovation Saskatchewan.....	\$24,398,000
For Saskatchewan Research Council.....	\$19,968,000
For SaskBuilds Corporation.....	\$9,214,000
For Trade and Export Development.....	\$20,630,000
For Water Security Agency	\$52,875,000

The committee considered the supplementary estimates for the following ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolution:

2018–2019 Supplementary Estimates No. 2

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

Executive Branch of Government

For Agriculture.....	\$37,655,000
For Environment	\$3,300,000

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. 163)

On motion of Ms. Young:

Ordered, That the Seventh Report of the Standing Committee on the Economy be now concurred in.

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE
RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES AFFAIRES INTERGOUVERNEMENTALES ET DE LA JUSTICE**

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 moved by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

That Bill No. 160 — The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2018 be now read the third time and passed under its title.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was agreed to on division:

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:

Le projet de loi suivant est rapporté sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier sur les projets de loi, est lu une troisième fois et adopté:

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

Projet de loi no 161 — Loi de 2018 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2018

Mr. Bradshaw, Chair of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice, presented the committee's seventh report, which is as follows:

The committee considered the estimates for the following ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

2019–2020 Estimates

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2020, the following sums:

Executive Branch of Government

For Corrections and Policing	\$409,228,000
For Government Relations.....	\$616,080,000
For Integrated Justice Services	\$105,110,000
For Justice and Attorney General	\$129,397,000
For Parks, Culture and Sport	\$69,901,000
For Tourism Saskatchewan.....	\$15,491,000

The committee considered the following estimates for which no funds were requested:

Lending and Investing Activities

For Integrated Justice Services

2018–2019 Supplementary Estimates No. 2

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

Executive Branch of Government

For Government Relations.....	\$95,100,000
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For Justice and Attorney General \$1,000,000

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. 164)

On motion of Mr. Bradshaw:

Ordered, That the Seventh Report of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice be now concurred in.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES

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. 171 — The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2019

Mr. Cox, Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies, presented the committee’s seventh report, which is as follows:

The committee considered the estimates for the following ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

2019–2020 Estimates:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2020, the following sums:

Executive Branch of Government

For Central Services.....	\$50,322,000
For Finance	\$222,815,000
For Public Service Commission.....	\$34,043,000

The committee considered the following estimates for which no votes were required:

Executive Branch of Government

For Finance — Debt Servicing (Statutory)

Advances to Revolving Funds

For Advances to Revolving Funds (Statutory)

Debt Redemption, Sinking Fund and Interest Payments

For Debt Redemption (Statutory)

For Interest on Gross Debt — Crown Enterprise Share (Statutory)

For Sinking Fund Payments — Government Share (Statutory)

Lending and Investing Activities

For Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan (Statutory)

For Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation (Statutory)

For Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation (Statutory)

For Saskatchewan Power Corporation (Statutory)

For Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation (Statutory)

For Saskatchewan Water Corporation (Statutory)

For SaskEnergy Incorporated (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. 165)

On motion of Mr. Cox:

Ordered, That the Seventh Report of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies be now concurred in.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES

Ms. Sarauer, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services, presented the committee's eleventh 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:

2019–2020 Estimates

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2020, the following sums:

Legislative Assembly and the Officers of the Legislative Assembly

For Advocate for Children and Youth. \$2,568,000

For Conflict of Interest Commissioner	\$557,000
For Information and Privacy Commissioner.....	\$1,699,000
For Legislative Assembly	\$9,869,000
For Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner	\$3,921,000
For Provincial Auditor	\$8,456,000

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. 166)

On motion of Ms. Sarauer:

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

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider estimates for Executive Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2020, the sum of \$12,323,000 for Executive Council.

Progress was reported and the committee given leave to sit again.

Pursuant to rule 6(7), the Speaker adjourned the Assembly.

The Assembly adjourned at 6:20 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Mark Docherty
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

Bylaws, rules, and regulations of the following professional associations and amendments thereto under provisions of the respective Acts:

- College of Physicians and Surgeons of the province of Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
- Saskatchewan Professional Teachers Regulatory Board
- Saskatchewan Society of Medical Laboratory Technologists

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 52)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Monday:

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 172 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Interpersonal Violence and Sexual Violence Leave) Amendment Act, 2019

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 58 and are to be answered by day no. 63:

Question no. 91 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) what ministry programs had a reduction in funding in the 2019–20 budget, (b) for each program that had funding reduced, what was the original allocation, and (c) for each program that had funding reduced, what was the value of the reduction?

Question no. 92 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) what ministry programs had a reduction in funding in the 2019–20 budget, (b) for each program that had funding reduced, what was the original allocation, and (c) for each program that had funding reduced, what was the value of the reduction?

Question no. 93 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) have any community-based organizations (CBOs) had a funding reduction in the last year, (b) of those CBOs that had their funding reduced in the last year, what was the original funding allocation, and (c) of those CBOs that had their funding reduced in the last year, what was the value of the reduction?

Question no. 94 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) have any CBOs had a funding reduction in the last year, (b) of those CBOs that had their funding reduced in the last year, what was the original funding allocation, and (c) of those CBOs that had their funding reduced in the last year, what was the value of the reduction?

Question no. 95 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, (a) how many Gladue reports were requested and written in the last year, and (b) for each, who wrote the report?

Question no. 96 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, what is the cost of implementing the provincial response team to the Saskatchewan Police College?

Question no. 97 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, what are the hours of operation for each crime reduction team in each location?

Question no. 98 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, how many commercial vehicle inspectors did not pass the additional training for the provincial response team?

Question no. 99 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) how many files have gone through each one of the remand initiatives, and (b) what has the impact been on remand counts and wait times?

Question no. 100 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, what upgrades and renovations are planned for correctional centres in the 2019–2020 fiscal year?

Question no. 101 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) does the provincial government receive any commission through its contracts with Telmate, (b) if so, what is the commission structure, and (c) how much has the provincial government received since the contract was signed?

Question no. 102 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, (a) does the provincial government receive any commission through its contracts with Compass Group Canada, (b) if so, what is the commission structure, and (c) how much has the provincial government received since the contract was signed?

Question no. 103 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, for each Saskatchewan correctional facility, what is the wait time to see each type of medical specialist in the past fiscal year?

Question no. 104 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, what is the status of the justice access centre which planned for the Weyburn court house, and the Saskatoon provincial court house?

Question no. 105 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, in terms of files handled by the office of the children's lawyer in the last fiscal year, (a) how many were there, (b) how many lawyers were utilized in those files, (c) in what locations in the province, and (d) what were the resolutions of those files?

Question no. 106 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, how many people utilized the child support recalculation project in the last budget year?

Question no. 107 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Justice, is there any further work being done within the Ministry of Justice on the legalization of cannabis?

Question no. 108 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Government, to date, what work has been done to consider the creation of an independent police oversight body?

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

Question no. 109 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many assisted lifts were performed by the Saskatoon fire department in the former Saskatoon Health Region in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018?

Question no. 110 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for each community-based organization that received funding from the ministry in the last 5 fiscal years, (a) how much was received, (b) how much was operations funding, (c) how much was capital, (d) how much was provincial funding, and (e) how much was federal funding?

Question no. 111 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, according to the most recent data, (a) how many addictions counsellors are there in the provincial opioid agonist therapy (OAT) program, and (b) how many patients across the province are receiving methadone or suboxone for addictions in the OAT program?

Question no. 112 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of the OAT program, (a) what is the number of addictions counsellors working in the OAT program in each of Saskatoon, Regina, Prince Albert, North Battleford, Moose Jaw, Weyburn, and La Ronge, and (b) how many patients are supported in each location?

Question no. 113 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what programs, services and organizations had funding from the ministry reduced in the 2019–20 budget?

Question no. 114 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation, (a) what is SaskPower's current battery/electrical storage capacity, (b) how much battery/storage capacity is being planned to be added in the next 10 years, (c) what is SaskPower's current electricity generation capacity from natural gas, and (d) what is the anticipated expansion of electricity generation from natural gas in the next 10 years?

Question no. 115 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Environment, in terms of *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act* infractions investigated in each of the past five years, (a) how many alleged or suspected infractions were investigated, (b) how many resulted in charges, (c) what category of charges did each fall into, and (d) what was the nature of the alleged offense?

Question no. 116 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Finance, for each of the last 15 fiscal years, (a) how many individuals reported income which would have been subject to the highest marginal income tax rate (before assessing any applicable credits), and (b) what was the aggregate amount of income tax calculated on those individuals' tax returns (before assessment of any applicable credits)?

Question no. 117 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Finance, for each of the last 15 fiscal years, (a) how many individuals reported income which would have been subject to the middle marginal income tax rate, but not the highest (before assessing any applicable credits), and (b) what was the aggregate amount of income tax calculated on those individuals' tax returns (before assessment of any applicable credits)?

Question no. 118 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Finance, for each of the last 15 fiscal years, (a) how many individuals reported income which would have been subject to the lowest marginal income tax rate, but not the middle (before assessing any applicable credits), and (b) what was the aggregate amount of income tax calculated on those individuals' tax returns (before assessment of any applicable credits)?