



No. 62

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION — TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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Monday, May 13, 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: Vermette, Dennis, Beck, Sproule, Belanger, 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 overhaul Saskatchewan campaign finance laws.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 14)

To pass legislation for critical supports for survivors of domestic violence.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 15)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 16)

To enact a plan and allocate appropriate funding to fight climate change.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 116)

To immediately release a full, unredacted copy of records detailing all deficiencies in the Regina bypass project to date.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 122)

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 by leave of the Assembly and pursuant to rule 75(1), ordered to be read a second time immediately:

Bill No. 172 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Interpersonal Violence and Sexual Violence Leave) Amendment Act, 2019

(Hon. Mr. Morgan)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Morgan: Bill No. 172 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Interpersonal Violence and Sexual Violence Leave) Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was accordingly, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole on Bills immediately.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON BILLS

The Assembly, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Bills.

The following bill was reported without amendment, by leave of the Assembly and pursuant to rule 75(1), read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 172 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Interpersonal Violence and Sexual Violence Leave) Amendment Act, 2019

The committee was given leave to sit again.

### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER (Same Question — Bill Nos. 172 and 614)

I would like to draw to the attention of members that this Assembly had under consideration two bills with provisions of substantially the same purpose: Bill No. 172 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Interpersonal Violence and Sexual Violence Leave) Amendment Act, 2019 in the name of the Minister of Justice and Attorney General (Hon. Mr. Morgan) and Bill No. 614 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Support for Survivors of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2018 in the name of the Member for Regina Douglas Park (Ms. Sarauer). Both bills propose to support employees experiencing domestic and interpersonal violence by providing paid leave.

This Legislative Assembly has numerous precedents on the subject of the "same question rule" with respect to bills. Speakers have consistently ruled that if the Assembly has agreed to one bill that contains similar provisions in another bill, the Speaker must then prevent any further consideration of the second bill.

Today the Assembly passed all stages of Bill No. 172 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Interpersonal Violence and Sexual Violence Leave) Amendment Act, 2019. Given the decision by the Assembly to pass this bill, it is my duty to ensure that the Assembly does not come to two different decisions on the same question. For this reason it is necessary that I order that item 3 under Private Members' Public Bills and Orders, Second Readings, Bill No. 614 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Support for Survivors of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act, 2018 be removed from the Order Paper.

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

Summary of resolutions adopted:

#### GENERAL REVENUE FUND

#### MAIN ESTIMATES 2019–20

#### EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT

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

#### BUDGETARY EXPENSES

1.	For Advanced Education .....	\$727,568,000
2.	For Agriculture .....	389,692,000
3.	For Central Services .....	50,322,000
4.	For Corrections and Policing .....	409,228,000
5.	For Education .....	2,090,409,000
6.	For Energy and Resources .....	79,497,000
7.	For Environment .....	175,948,000
8.	For Executive Council .....	12,323,000
9.	For Finance .....	222,815,000
10.	For Government Relations .....	616,080,000
11.	For Health .....	5,553,992,000
12.	For Highways and Infrastructure .....	706,030,000
13.	For Immigration and Career Training .....	170,245,000
14.	For Innovation Saskatchewan .....	24,398,000

15.	For Integrated Justice Services .....	105,110,000
16.	For Justice and Attorney General .....	129,397,000
17.	For Labour Relations and Workplace Safety.....	19,530,000
18.	For Parks, Culture and Sport .....	69,901,000
19.	For Public Service Commission .....	34,043,000
20.	For Saskatchewan Research Council.....	19,968,000
21.	For SaskBuilds Corporation .....	9,214,000
22.	For Social Services .....	1,236,929,000
23.	For Tourism Saskatchewan .....	15,491,000
24.	For Trade and Export Development .....	20,630,000
25.	For Water Security Agency .....	52,875,000

**LENDING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

26.	For Advanced Education.....	\$75,000,000
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**LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT**

27.	For Advocate for Children and Youth.....	\$2,568,000
28.	For Conflict of Interest Commissioner.....	557,000
29.	For Information and Privacy Commissioner.....	1,699,000
30.	For Legislative Assembly .....	9,869,000
31.	For Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner.....	3,921,000
32.	For Provincial Auditor .....	8,456,000

**GENERAL REVENUE FUND**

**SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2018–19**

**EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT**

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

**BUDGETARY EXPENSES**

1. For Advanced Education .....	\$12,000,000
2. For Agriculture .....	37,655,000
3. For Environment.....	3,300,000
4. For Government Relations .....	95,100,000
5. For Health .....	45,000,000
6. For Justice and Attorney General.....	1,000,000

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019, the sum of one hundred ninety-four million, fifty-five thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020, the sum of thirteen billion, forty-three million, seven hundred and five thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

The said resolutions were reported, read twice and agreed to, and the committee given leave to sit again.

**The Appropriation Act, 2019 (No. 1)**

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 173 — The Appropriation Act, 2019 (No. 1) be introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly and pursuant to rule 32(1)(e), the said bill was then read a second and third time and passed under its title.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Brkich:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:56 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

*Hon. Mark Docherty  
Speaker*

## 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)?