



No. 12

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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Wednesday, November 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: Doke, Vermette, Wotherspoon, Forbes, Sproule, and Mowat.

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 support the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations' suicide prevention strategy.
(Sessional paper no. 39)

To address climate change by reinstating and expanding SaskPower's net metering program.
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 3)

To reinstate PST exemption on construction.
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 4)

To stop the federal government from imposing a carbon tax on the province.
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 5)

To call by-elections in the constituencies of Regina Walsh Acres and Saskatoon Eastview.
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 7)

To immediately fix the crisis in our classrooms.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 25)

To fund and execute a plan to reduce and end emergency wait times.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 30)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 189 — The Coroners Amendment Act, 2019

(Hon. Mr. Morgan)

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

Bill No. 190 — The Expropriation Procedure Amendment Act, 2019

(Hon. Mr. Morgan)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question no. 7, it was answered and pursuant to rule 21(7), converted to return no. 1.

(Sessional paper no. 40)

The order of the day being called for question nos. 8 to 11, they were answered. (see appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

Bill No. 179 — The Apiaries Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Marit: That Bill No. 179 — The Apiaries Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 180 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Government Relations – Transfer of Gas, Electrical and Plumbing Functions) Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Carr: That Bill No. 180 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Government Relations – Transfer of Gas, Electrical and Plumbing Functions) Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 181 — The Mineral Taxation (Modernization) Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 181 — The Mineral Taxation (Modernization) Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 174 — The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Amendment Act, 2019
Projet de loi n° 174 — Loi modificative de 2019 sur l'exécution des ordonnances alimentaires

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 174 — The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Amendment Act, 2019 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° 174 — Loi modificative de 2019 sur l'exécution des ordonnances alimentaires soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

Bill No. 175 — The Marriage Amendment Act, 2019
Projet de loi n° 175 — Loi modificative de 2019 sur le mariage

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 175 — The Marriage Amendment Act, 2019 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° 175 — Loi modificative de 2019 sur le mariage 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. 176 — The Fiduciaries Access to Digital Information Act
Projet de loi n° 176 — Loi sur l'accès des fiduciaires à l'information numérique

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 176 — The Fiduciaries Access to Digital Information Act 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° 176 — Loi sur l'accès des fiduciaires à l'information numérique soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

Bill No. 177 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Electronic Register) Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 177 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Electronic Register) Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 178 — The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 178 — The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 183 — The Fisheries (Saskatchewan) Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Duncan: That Bill No. 183 — The Fisheries (Saskatchewan) Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 184 — The Fisheries (Saskatchewan) Consequential Amendments Act, 2019
Projet de loi n° 184 — Loi de 2019 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Fisheries (Saskatchewan) Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Duncan: That Bill No. 184 — The Fisheries (Saskatchewan) Consequential Amendments Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Duncan: Que le projet de loi n° 184 — Loi de 2019 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Fisheries (Saskatchewan) Act, 2019 soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

Bill No. 187 — The Administration of Estates Amendment Act, 2019
Projet de loi n° 187 — Loi modificative de 2019 sur l'administration des successions

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 187 — The Administration of Estates Amendment Act, 2019 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° 187 — Loi modificative de 2019 sur l'administration des successions soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

Bill No. 188 — The Public Guardian and Trustee Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 188 — The Public Guardian and Trustee Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 3:43 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Mark Docherty
Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following responses to written questions were tabled by the government:

Question no. 8 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for all Saskatchewan Health Authority funded detox sites (both brief and social), how many naloxone kits were given out each month since the program began?

Answer:

The Saskatchewan Health Authority was unable to provide a month-by-month breakdown of the naloxone kit distribution from detox centres. Since January 2019, Saskatchewan Health Authority funded detox sites (both brief and social) have distributed 62 naloxone kits.

Question no. 9 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister Responsible for SaskBuilds and Priority Saskatchewan, in terms of the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford, (a) have any lawsuits been brought against SaskBuilds related to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford, and (b) for each lawsuit, what is the style of cause and court file number for each matter?

Answer:

- (a) SaskBuilds has not been served or been made aware of any such lawsuits related to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford.
- (b) N/A

Question no. 10 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford, (a) have any lawsuits been brought against the Saskatchewan Health Authority related to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford, and (b) for each lawsuit, what is the style of cause and court file number for each matter?

Answer:

- (a) The Saskatchewan Health Authority has not been served or been made aware of any such lawsuits related to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford.
- (b) N/A

Question no. 11 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Government, in terms of the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford, (a) have any lawsuits been brought against the Government of Saskatchewan related to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford, and (b) for each lawsuit, what is the style of cause and court file number for each matter?

Answer:

- (a) Neither the Ministry of Justice, nor the Ministry of Central Services, have been served or been made aware of any such lawsuits related to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford.
- (b) N/A

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Monday:

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 191 — The Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2019

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 192 — The Legal Profession (Law Foundation) Amendment Act, 2019

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 193 — The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2019 (No. 2)

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 9 and are to be answered by day no. 14:

Question no. 12 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, how many marriage licences were issued to persons under the age of 18 in Saskatchewan in each year since 2009?

Question no. 13 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, how many marriage licences were issued to same sex couples in Saskatchewan in each year since 2009?

Question no. 14 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each year since 2013–14, how many days of the year was one or more ward or department in each of Saskatchewan’s tertiary hospitals over capacity?

Question no. 15 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, what was the emergency department wait time (in median and 90th percentile) for time waiting for an inpatient bed in Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Lloyd/North Battleford, Moose Jaw, Swift Current, and Yorkton?

Question no. 16 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, what was the emergency department wait time (in median and 90th percentile) for emergency department length of stay in Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Lloyd/North Battleford, Moose Jaw, Swift Current, and Yorkton?

Question no. 17 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, what was the emergency department wait time (in median and 90th percentile) for emergency department length of stay for non-admitted patients in Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Lloyd/North Battleford, Moose Jaw, Swift Current, and Yorkton?

Question no. 18 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, what was the emergency department wait time (in median and 90th percentile) for emergency department length of stay for physician initial assessment in Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Lloyd/North Battleford, Moose Jaw, Swift Current, and Yorkton?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 11 and are to be answered by day no. 16:

Question no. 19 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each year since 2015–16, how many surgeries were rescheduled after the patient had been admitted and/or registered with hospital admissions?

Question no. 20 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients have been admitted to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford (SHNB) rehabilitative beds in the 2019/2020 year to date?

Question no. 21 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients were discharged from SHNB rehabilitative beds in 2019 in April, May, June, July, August, September, and October?

Question no. 22 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients were admitted to SHNB rehabilitative beds in 2019 in April, May, June, July, August, September, and October?

Question no. 23 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients had referrals to the SHNB rehabilitative beds in 2019 on April 30, May 31, June 30, July 31, August 31, September 30, and October 31?

Question no. 24 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, how many patients have been admitted to the SHNB correctional beds for offenders in the 2019–20 year to date?

Question no. 25 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, how many patients were admitted to the SHNB correctional beds for offenders in the 2018–19 year?

Question no. 26 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients have had three or more acute in-patient hospitalizations in a designated mental health bed in a Saskatchewan hospital in 2018–19?

Question no. 27 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients have had three or more acute in-patient hospitalizations in a designated mental health bed in a Saskatchewan hospital in 2019–20 to date?

Question no. 28 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients have had three or more acute in-patient hospitalizations in a designated mental health bed in a Saskatchewan hospital of 60 days or longer in 2018–19?

Question no. 29 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many patients have had acute in-patient hospitalizations in a designated mental health bed in a Saskatchewan hospital of 60 days or longer in 2019–20 to date?

Question no. 30 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, what is the average wait time for an appointment with a medical geneticist in 2015–16, 2016–17, 2017–18, and 2018–19?

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

Question no. 31 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for each year since 2016, of the clients who have qualified for long-term care, how many required long-term care services as the result of an overdose?

Question no. 32 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of long-term care services in Grenfell, (a) what is the current status of the request for proposal (RFP) for long-term care services issued on May 2, 2019, (b) how many respondents were there to the RFP for long-term care services issued on May 2, 2019, (c) what is the current plan to deliver long-term care services in the community, and (d) what organizations have been consulted since the RFP for long-term care services was issued on May 2, 2019?

Question no. 33 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of Regina Pioneer Village long-term care facility, (a) what is the current status of the RFPs for long-term care services in Regina to address closures of Pioneer Village, (b) what is the current plan to address the loss of beds at Pioneer Village, (c) how many beds are currently occupied, and (d) what is the long-term plan for the facility?

Question no. 34 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many assisted lifts were performed in personal care homes by the Saskatoon fire department in the former Saskatoon health region in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 (to date)?

Question no. 35 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each former health region, (a) what is the current value of deferred infrastructure maintenance, and (b) what is the average facility condition index?

Question no. 36 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of the Jim Pattison Children's Hospital, (a) for LPN, RN, RPN, and all physician positions, what is a fully staffed complement and how many current vacancies are there, (b) since opening, how many days were any units/departments overcapacity, and (c) what units/departments have been overcapacity for one or more day?

Question no. 37 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for organ donations received in each centre each year since 2014-15, (a) how many donations were received, and (b) how many of each type of donations were completed at each centre?

Question no. 38 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, how many "zero alerts" (no ambulances available) in Saskatoon in 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20 (to date)?

Question no. 39 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each former health region, how many days were there no ambulances available to respond to calls in 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20?

Question no. 40 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, (a) how much ministry funding has been allocated for physiotherapy each fiscal year since 2015-16, and (b) how much did the Saskatchewan Health Authority (or former health regions) spend on physiotherapy each year since 2015-16?

Question no. 41 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, (a) for each year since 2015–16, how many positron emission tomography (PET) scans were performed, and (b) for how each year since 2015–16, how many PET scans that had been scheduled were cancelled?

Question no. 42 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, how many transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI) procedures were performed in 2018–19, and 2019–20 (to date)?

Question no. 43 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of Lyme disease, (a) what is the prevalence of Lyme disease in our province, (b) how many individuals have been diagnosed each year since 2015–16, and (c) how many doctors are able to diagnose Lyme disease?