



No. 16

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PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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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: Chartier, Wilson, Vermette, Wotherspoon, Forbes, Beck, and Mowat.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to order and pursuant to rule 16(7), a petition from residents of the province of Saskatchewan, requesting the following action, was read and received:

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 5)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question nos. 19 to 30, pursuant to rule 21(6), the questions were converted and orders for return were issued. (see appendix)

SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 194 — The Miscellaneous Municipal Statutes Amendment Act, 2019

The Hon. Ms. Carr, 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. 194 — The Miscellaneous Municipal Statutes Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

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. Wotherspoon, 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. Chartier, 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. Vermette, 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.

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

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.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. McCall, 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. Pedersen, adjourned.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Pedersen, 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 Mr. Pedersen, adjourned.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Pedersen, 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 Ms. Rancourt, 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 Ms. Sproule, 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 Ms. Chartier, 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 Ms. Chartier, adjourned.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Chartier, 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 Ms. Beck, adjourned.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Beck, 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 Ms. Rancourt, adjourned.

Bill No. 189 — The Coroners Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 189 — The Coroners Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 190 — The Expropriation Procedure Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 191 — The Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 191 — The Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 192 — The Legal Profession (Law Foundation) Amendment Act, 2019

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 192 — The Legal Profession (Law Foundation) Amendment Act, 2019 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 193 — The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2019 (No. 2)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 193 — The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2019 (No. 2) be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Merriman:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:25 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Mark Docherty
Speaker

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

The following written questions were converted and orders for return were issued:

Return no. 7 (Ms. Mowat):

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

Return no. 8 (Ms. Chartier):

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

Return no. 9 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, the number of patients that were discharged from SHNB rehabilitative beds in 2019 in April, May, June, July, August, September, and October.

Return no. 10 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, the number of patients that were admitted to SHNB rehabilitative beds in 2019 in April, May, June, July, August, September, and October.

Return no. 11 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, the number of patients that 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.

Return no. 12 (Ms. Chartier):

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

Return no. 13 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Corrections and Policing, the number of patients that were admitted to the SHNB correctional beds for offenders in the 2018–19 year.

Return no. 14 (Ms. Chartier):

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

Return no. 15 (Ms. Chartier):

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

Return no. 16 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, the number of patients that 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.

Return no. 17 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, the number of patients that 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.

Return no. 18 (Ms. Mowat):

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

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Monday:

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 195 — The Lobbyists Amendment Act, 2019

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move first reading of Bill No. 196 — The Members' Conflict of Interest Amendment Act, 2019

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. 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?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 13 and are to be answered by day no. 18:

Question no. 44 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for all Saskatchewan Health Authority funded detox sites (both brief and social combined), how many naloxone kits had to be thrown out because they reached their ‘best before’ expiration date since the program began?

Question no. 45 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many discreet clients have Saskatchewan Health Authority-funded brief detox sites seen in 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, 2017–18, 2018–19, and 2019–20 (to date)?

Question no. 46 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many discreet clients have Saskatchewan Health Authority-funded social detox sites seen in 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, 2017–18, 2018–19, and 2019–20 (to date)?

Question no. 47 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many total clients have Saskatchewan Health Authority-funded brief detox sites seen in 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, 2017–18, 2018–19, and 2019–20 (to date)?

Question no. 48 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many total clients have Saskatchewan Health Authority-funded social detox sites seen in 2014–15, 2015–16, 2016–17, 2017–18, 2018–19, and 2019–20 (to date)?

Question no. 49 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what was the average wait time for each publicly-funded addictions treatment facility for both inpatient and detox services for the 2018–19 year?

Question no. 50 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, (a) what was the licensed physician to capita ratio in the province, and (b) for each fiscal year since 2013–14, what was the registered nurse to capita ratio in the province?

Question no. 51 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, how many general practitioners were practicing in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, North Battleford, Yorkton, Regina, and Saskatoon?

Question no. 52 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of the midwifery program in Saskatchewan, (a) what are the ministry's plans and timelines to increase the number of midwives in the province, and (b) what plans exist to create Saskatchewan-based training for midwives?

Question no. 53 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each month since May 2019, for each unit at the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford that was closed for one or more days, (a) what unit was it, (b) what was the reason for its closure or for it to have remained closed, (c) how long did the closure last, and (d) how many patients were displaced as a result of the closure?

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

Question no. 54 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, (a) how many people under the age of 16 filed a Workers Compensation Board claim in 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, and 2009, and (b) in which rate code description did these occur?

Question no. 55 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, (a) how many modified work arrangements (*The Saskatchewan Employment Act* sections 2–19) were applied for in 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, and 2009, (b) how many were granted, and (c) in which employment sectors did these come from?

Question no. 56 (Mr. Forbes):

To the Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, (a) what percentage of Saskatchewan workers belonged to a union in 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, and 2009, and (b) what percentage were in the public sector?

Question no. 57 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, for each tax measure introduced or announced in the 2017–18 budget, what was the fiscal impact of each in each fiscal year since implementation (2019–20 to date)?

Question no. 58 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, for each tax measure introduced or announced in the 2018–19 budget, what was the fiscal impact of each in each fiscal year since implementation (2019–20 to date)?

Question no. 59 (Mr. Wotherspoon):

To the Minister of Finance, for each tax measure introduced or announced in the 2019–20 budget, what was the fiscal impact of each to date?

Question no. 60 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, in terms of probate fees, (a) where are the funds paid for probate of estates reflected in the budget and public accounts, and (b) for the last five fiscal years, how much revenue was generated from probate fees?

Question no. 61 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Government, how many marriage licences were issued to persons under the age of 18 in Saskatchewan in each year since 2009?

Question no. 62 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Government, how many marriage licences were issued to same sex couples in Saskatchewan in each year since 2009?

Question no. 63 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Government, for each of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's final report recommendations that apply to provincial jurisdiction, what has progress on implementation been to date?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 16 and are to be answered by day no. 21:

Question no. 64 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, (a) what is the average wait time from emergency department decision to admit to admission to Dubé Centre in Saskatoon, and the inpatient mental health beds at the Regina General Hospital, for adults and youth in 2018/2019, and (b) 2019/2020 year-to-date?

Question no. 65 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what is the wait time for publicly funded addictions treatment facilities as of Oct. 31, 2019 for (a) inpatient adult and youth, and (b) detox for adult and youth?

Question no. 66 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, (a) what is the current function as of Oct. 31, 2019 of the former mental health assessment unit at the Royal University hospital, and (b) what other uses has it provided the health region in the last 3 months?

Question no. 67 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what is the percentage of admissions in to addictions inpatient treatment where the individual identified crystal meth as the issue that brought them to addictions treatment centres in 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 to date?

Question no. 68 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what is the percentage of admissions in to addictions inpatient treatment where the individual identified opioids as the issue that brought them to addictions treatment centres in 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019, and 2019/2020 to date?

Question no. 69 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what is the percentage of patients seen by physicians in emergency departments where the individual identified opioids as the issue that brought them there in 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019, and 2019/2020 to date?

Question no. 70 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, what is the percentage of patients seen by physicians in emergency departments where the individual identified crystal meth as the issue that brought them there in 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019, and 2019/2020 to date?

Question no. 71 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, for each month since January 2019, (a) how many days was the Dubé Centre at Royal University hospital over census, (b) what was the maximum number of people who required admission but had no available bed to the Dubé Centre, and (c) what spaces were used to accommodate patients who were admitted but had no bed in the Dubé Centre?

Question no. 72 (Ms. Chartier):

To the Minister of Health, how many children and youth, in the mild and moderate categories, are waiting for an initial outpatient mental health appointment as of October 31, 2019 in the former health regions of Sun Country, Five Hills, Cypress, Regina Qu'Appelle, Sunrise, Saskatoon, Prince Albert Parkland, and Prairie North?

Question no. 73 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, how many midwives are currently practicing in each centre?

Question no. 74 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, for each fiscal year since 2013–14, how much did the province spend on midwifery?

Question no. 75 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of the community health centre at market mall in Saskatoon, (a) what is the current referral process to obtain an appointment, (b) what information related to a patient's medical history is shared with the health centre (i.e. physician visits, emergency room visits), (c) will there be a MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) in the health centre, and if so, who will be operating it, and (d) for each month since it opened, how many visits did the health centre receive?

Question no. 76 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Finance, what sources of revenue are included in the “miscellaneous” category of other own-source revenue in the 2019–20 schedule of revenue?

Question no. 77 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Finance, what sources of revenue are included in the “fees” category of other own-source revenue in the 2019–20 schedule of revenue?

Question no. 78 (Mr. Pedersen):

To the Minister of Finance, what are the sources of revenue included in the “other” category of taxation in the 2019–20 schedule of revenue?