



FIRST SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 3

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

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: Wotherspoon, Cockrill, and Conway.

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 stop the federal government from imposing a carbon tax on the province. (Sessional paper no. 32)

To fund and execute a plan to reduce and end emergency wait times. (Sessional paper no. 33)

To develop and implement a suicide prevention strategy. (Sessional paper no. 34)

MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Order of the Day having been called for consideration of the Speech of His Honour at the opening of the Session, Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Friesen, moved:

That an Humble Address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE RUSS MIRASTY
Lieutenant Governor of the province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

A debate arising, it was moved by Ms. Sarauer, seconded by Ms. Young (Regina University), in amendment thereto:

That the motion be amended by adding:

And, that the Assembly does not support the agenda outlined in the Speech from the Throne because it fails to provide the investments needed to support Saskatchewan people, their jobs, and the healthcare system they rely on in the face of COVID-19.

The debate being resumed on the motion and the amendment, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to rule 6(7).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:

Water Appeal Board:

Payee listing for the period April 1, 2019 to March 16, 2020

(Sessional paper no. 37)

Impacted Sites Fund:

Payee listing for the year ended March 31, 2020

(Sessional paper no. 38)

Saskatchewan Technology Fund:

Payee listing for the year ended March 31, 2020

(Sessional paper no. 39)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Monday:

Hon. Ms. Harpauer to move First Reading of Bill No. 2 – The Income Tax (Strong Recovery Small Business Tax Reduction) Amendment Act, 2020

Hon. Mr. Merriman to move First Reading of Bill No. 3 – The Massage Therapy Act

Hon. Mr. McMorris to move First Reading of Bill No. 4 – The Construction Codes Act

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 2 and are to be answered by day no. 7:

Question no. 1 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, how many Income Assistance Clients have been identified as having received benefits through the federal Canada Emergency Response Benefit?

Question no. 2 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, how many Income Assistance Clients have been identified as having received benefits through the federal Canada Emergency Student Benefit?

Question no. 3 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, how many Income Assistance clients has a benefit reduction related specifically to their receipt of the Canada Emergency Response Benefit?

Question no. 4 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, how many Income Assistance clients has a benefit reduction related specifically to their receipt of the Canada Emergency Student Benefit?

Question no. 5 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, what is the value of the benefit reductions for Income Assistance clients who received either Canada Emergency Response Benefit or Canada Emergency Student Benefit?

Question no. 6 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Social Services, for each community, how many social housing units are currently operated by the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation?

Question no. 7 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Social Services, for each community, how many social housing units operated by the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation are presently vacant?

Question no. 8 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Social Services, for each community, how many housing units does the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation presently lease from third party operators/landlords?

Question no. 9 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, how many dollars allocated to the province under each of the following streams of the Safe Restart Agreement have been allocated, and for each allocation, what supports were funded: a) Testing, Contact Tracing, and Data Management, b) Health Care System Capacity, c) Vulnerable Populations, d) Municipalities, e) Transit, f) Personal Protective Equipment, and g) Child Care for Returning Workers?

Question no. 10 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Health, in terms of the COVID-19 positive tests reported on Sunday, November 29th, 2020, what day(s) were those tests administered?

Question no. 11 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Health, for each day since November 16th 2020, how many tests have been processed at each laboratory location?

Question no. 12 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Health, for each day since November 16th, 2020, how many tests were left unprocessed by provincial laboratories at the end of the day?

Question no. 13 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Justice, how many orders of possession/writs of possession have been issued under *The Residential Tenancies Act* since the 2020 eviction moratorium was lifted?

Question no. 14 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Social Services, for both Regina and Saskatoon Housing Authorities, how many notices of eviction have been issued since the 2020 eviction moratorium was lifted?

Question no. 15 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, a) on what day were crown employees first given a work from home directive from the provincial government or Crown Investments Corporation as a measure to protect employees from COVID-19? b) on what day were provincial employees first given a work from home directive as a measure to protect employees from COVID-19?

Question no. 16 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Health, for each location, how many Intensive Care Unit beds are currently operational? Of those, how many are currently filled?

Question no. 17 (Ms. Conway):

To the Government, a) how many SAID clients had their files put on hold and were directed to apply for either the Canadian Emergency Response Benefit or the Canadian Emergency Student Benefit? b) how many Income Assistance clients had their files put on hold and were directed to apply for either Canadian Emergency Response Benefit or the Canadian Emergency Student Benefit?