



No. 43

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Thursday, April 20, 2006

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: Elhard, Hermanson, Harpauer, Weekes, Cheveldayoff, Brkich and Morgan.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Deputy Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 14(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take the necessary action to give cancer patients timely access to medical treatment.

(Sessional Paper No. 668)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take the steps to resurface and maintain Highway 3 from Fairholme to Turtleford.

(Sessional Paper No. 669)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take all necessary action to upgrade and widen Highway 5 from Humboldt to Saskatoon.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 7)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take immediate action and make necessary repairs to Highway 32 in order to address safety and economic concerns.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 64)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to act upon the recommendations made by the group “Saskatchewan Families for Effective Autism Treatment”.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 638)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take the necessary action to build a provincial Children’s Hospital in Saskatoon.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 644)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

Ms. Junor, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presents the Sixth Report of the said committee which is as follows:

Your Committee has considered the following Bills and has agreed to report the same without amendment:

Bill No. 301 – The Faith Alive Ministries World Outreach Centre Inc. Act

Bill No. 302 – The Orange Benevolent Society Amendment Act

Bill No. 303 – The Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Repeal Act

And further, that the fees less the cost of printing be remitted to the petitioners for Bill Nos. 301 and 302.

(Sessional Paper No. 675)

On motion of Ms. Junor, seconded by Mr. Hart:

Ordered, That the Sixth Report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be now concurred in and that the said Bills be accordingly referred to the Committee of the Whole.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 893 to 902, they were answered. (See Appendix)

SECOND READINGS/ DEUXIÈME LECTURE**Bill No. 54 – The Cancer Agency Act**

The Hon. Mr. Taylor, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 54 – The Cancer Agency Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 51 - The Regional Health Services Amendment Act, 2006

The Hon. Mr. Taylor, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 51 - The Regional Health Services Amendment Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 49 - The Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Day Act

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Yates: That Bill No. 49 - The Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Day Act – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, and the question being put, the said Bill was accordingly read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Yates:

Ordered, That Bill No. 49 - The Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Day Act – be now referred to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

**Bill No. 59 – The Education Amendment Act, 2006
Projet de loi n° 59 - Loi de 2006 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation**

The Hon. Ms. Higgins, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 59 – The Education Amendment Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

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

L'hon. Mme Higgins, membre du Conseil exécutif, fait savoir à l'Assemblée que Son Honneur la Lieutenant-gouverneure, ayant été informé de l'objet du projet de loi, le recommande à la considération de l'Assemblée et propose: Que le projet de loi n° 59 - Loi de 2006 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de M. Weekes, le débat est ajourné.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:56 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

*Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky
Speaker*

RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Annual Report and Financial Statements for Saskatchewan Auto Fund for the year ended December 31, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 676)

Annual Report and Financial Statements for Saskatchewan Government Insurance Superannuation Plan for the year ended December 31, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 677)

Financial Statements for Coachman Insurance Company for the year ended December 31, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 678)

Financial Statements for SGI Canada Insurance Services Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 679)

Financial Statements for Insurance Company of Prince Edward Island for the year ended December 31, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 680)

Annual Report and Financial Statements for SGI Canada for the year ended December 31, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 681)

The following Returns which were Ordered by the Assembly on November 10, 2005, were laid upon the Table by Mr. Iwanchuk:

Return No. 2 by Mr. Huyghebaert

(Sessional Paper No. 682)

Return No. 3 by Mr. Huyghebaert

(Sessional Paper No. 683)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Morgan asked the Government the following Question No. 893, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Did the Minister of Justice, his office, or Executive Council at any time make a recommendation to the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission with regard to the employment of John D. Hillson at the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission? (2) If so, what was the recommendation?

Answer:

- (1) No
- (2) N/A

Mr. Morgan asked the Government the following Question No. 894, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Justice: How much money was the Legal Aid Commission billed from private legal firms for services related to the claim of John D. Hillson?

Answer:

Payments to private law firms from January 2004 to March 31, 2006 were \$33,851.39.

Mr. Morgan asked the Government the following Question No. 895, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Did officials in the office of the Minister of Justice undertake any written correspondence with the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission regarding the reinstatement of John D. Hillson at the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission? (2) If so, will the Minister table this correspondence in the Legislature?

Answer:

- (1) No
- (2) N/A

Mr. Ganterfoer asked the Government the following Question No. 896, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Higgins:

To the Minister of Learning: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Learning in the 2005-2006 provincial budget? (2) What programs was it allocated to, and how much was allocated to each program?

Answer:

- (1) \$21.7M of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Community Resources and Employment in the 2005-2006 provincial budget. Of this \$21.7M, \$17.4M was restated to the Department of Learning to reflect the government reorganization of February 3, 2006.
- (2) When the 2005-06 budget was released, the province's complete program response to the federal funding had not been finalized. Initial allocations from the \$21.7M were made to the following:
 - Child Care Facilities grants to provide a 3% wage lift for centre staff, effective April 1, 2005: \$0.56M
 - Child Care Facilities grants for the development of 250 new licensed child care spaces: \$0.78M
 - Child Care Facilities grants to address the wait list for children with special needs through the provision of funding for one-on-one supports required by children with significant disabilities: \$0.4M
 - Average \$20 per child per month subsidy increase for qualifying families: \$0.94M

During 2005-06, additional allocations were approved for:

- Child Care Facilities grants to provide an additional 6% wage lift for centre staff, effective November 1, 2005: \$0.75M
- Saskatchewan Literacy Commission start-up and operating resources: \$0.50M
- Early Learning and Childcare Branch: \$0.37M

With the exception of child care subsidies, these programs are all now the responsibility of the Department of Learning.

Mr. Gantefoer asked the Government the following Question No. 897, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Higgins:

To the Minister of Learning: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Learning in the 2006-2007 provincial budget? (2) What programs has it been allocated to, and how much has been allocated to each program?

Answer:

- (1) \$6.96M of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Learning in the 2006-2007 provincial budget.
- (2) This \$6.96M is allocated to the following programs:
 - Child Care Facilities grants to sustain the 250 spaces licensed in 2005-06: \$0.85M
 - Child Care Facilities grants to sustain the wage lifts announced in 2005 (3% April 1; 6% November 1) and provide an additional 9% on April 1, 2006: \$5.21M
 - Child Care Facilities grants to provide funding for one-on-one supports required by children with significant disabilities: \$0.55M
 - Early Learning and Child Care Branch: \$0.35M

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 898, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Finance: How much money will the government spend in total promoting the provincial budget by advertising in newspapers, radio, television and in any other sources?

Answer:

Total advertising campaign cost is estimated at \$444,505.00.

Ms. Harpauer asked the Government the following Question No. 899, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Taylor:

To the Minister of Health: What is the total cost commitment by the government and the community respectively for the Melville hospital?

Answer:

The total cost commitment by the government and the community for the Melville hospital was 65% and 35% respectively.

Mr. Brkich asked the Government the following Question No. 900, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Regional Economic and Co-operative Development: In the fiscal year 2005-2006, what was the total amount of money, in the form of grants, loans or other funding arrangements, given to businesses or co-operatives in Saskatchewan?

Answer:

\$4.91 Million.

Mr. Merriman asked the Government the following Question No. 901, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Community Resources in the 2006-2007 provincial budget? (2) What programs has it been allocated to, and how much has been allocated to each program?

Answer:

- (1) \$4.6M of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Community Resources in the 2006-2007 provincial budget.
- (2) This \$4.6M is allocated to the Child Care Subsidy Program as follows:
 - Child Care Subsidies to sustain the average \$20 per child per month rate increase effective June 1, 2005: \$1.00M
 - Child Care Subsidies for increases and enhancements to child care subsidies effective September 1, 2006: \$3.6M

Mr. Merriman asked the Government the following Question No. 902, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Community Resources in the 2005-2006 provincial budget? (2) What programs was it allocated to, and how much was allocated to each program?

Answer:

- (1) \$21.7M of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Community Resources and Employment in the 2005-2006 provincial budget. Of this \$21.7M, \$4.339M was restated to the Department of Community Resources to reflect the government reorganization of February 3, 2006.
- (2) When the 2005-06 budget was released, the Province's complete program response to the federal funding had not been finalized. Initial allocations from the \$21.7M were made to the following:
 - Child Care Facilities grants to provide a 3% wage lift for centre staff, effective April 1, 2005: \$0.56M
 - Child Care Facilities grants for the development of 250 new licensed child care spaces: \$0.78M
 - Child Care Facilities grants to address the wait list for children with special needs through the provision of funding for one-on-one supports required by children with significant disabilities: \$0.4M
 - Average \$20 per child per month subsidy increase for qualifying families: \$0.94M

Note: Of these four initiatives, the first three are now the responsibility of the Department of Learning. Child care subsidies continue to be the responsibility of Community Resources.

During 2005-06, additional allocations were approved for:

- Child Care Facilities grants to provide an additional 6% wage lift for centre staff, effective November 1, 2005: \$0.75M
- Saskatchewan Literacy Commission start-up and operating resources: \$0.50M
- Early Learning and Childcare Branch: \$0.37M

With the exception of child care subsidies, these programs are all now the responsibility of the Department of Learning.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 40 and are to be answered by day no. 45:

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 908:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) How much money is SaskWater spending to renovate and buy new office equipment for its offices in Moose Jaw? (2) Did SaskWater tender the contracts for the office renovation and new office equipment? (3) If so, how much was the amount of the successful bid?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 909:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Has the government of Saskatchewan and the Department of Agriculture taken a position with respect to the UN moratorium on the use of the terminator gene? (2) Has there been any correspondence between the department and the federal government in respect to the use of terminator genetics? (3) If so, could the Minister table the correspondence?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 910:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) At any time, was an investigation done into contractors contracted by SaskPower doing work at employees' homes and billing the cost of the work to SaskPower? (2) If so, what was the outcome of the investigation?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 911:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: (1) At any time, was an investigation done into contractors contracted by SaskPower doing work at employees' homes and billing the cost of the work to SaskPower? (2) If so, what was the outcome of the investigation?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 912:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) At any time, was an investigation done into contractors contracted by SaskEnergy doing work at employees' homes and billing the cost of the work to SaskEnergy? (2) If so, what was the outcome of the investigation?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 913:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: (1) At any time, was an investigation done into contractors contracted by SaskEnergy doing work at employees' homes and billing the cost of the work to SaskEnergy? (2) If so, what was the outcome of the investigation?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 914:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 915:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 916:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 917:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 918:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 919:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 920:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 921:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 922:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies during the year 2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 923:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies during the year 2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 41 and are to be answered by day no. 46:

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 924:

To the Minister of Justice: Has the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission negotiated a start date for John (Jack) Hillson?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 925:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) In the fiscal year 2005-2006, did your department provide any money to North West Communities Wood Products? (2) If so, how much?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 926:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) In the fiscal year 2005-2006, did your department provide any money to North West Communities Wood Products? (2) If so, how much?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 927:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) In the fiscal year 2005-2006, did your department provide any money to North West Communities Wood Products? (2) If so, how much?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 928:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan Incorporated: (1) In the fiscal year 2005-2006, did Investment Saskatchewan provide any money to North West Communities Wood Products? (2) If so, how much?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 929:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investment Corporation: (1) In the fiscal year 2005-2006, did CIC provide any money to North West Communities Wood Products? (2) If so, how much?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 930:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 931:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 932:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 933:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 934:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 935:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 936:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 937:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 938:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 939:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 940:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 941:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 942:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 943:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 944:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 945:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 946:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 947:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 948:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 949:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2000-2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 950:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001-2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 951:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002-2003? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 952:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2000-2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 953:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001-2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 954:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002-2003, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 955:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 956:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 957:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 958:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 959:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 960:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 961:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2000-2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 962:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001-2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 963:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002-2003? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 964:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 965:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 966:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 967:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2000-2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 968:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001-2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Bjornerud, to ask the Government the following Question No. 969:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002-2003, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 970:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 971:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 972:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 973:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 974:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 975:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 976:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2000-2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 977:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001-2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 978:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002-2003? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 979:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 980:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 981:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 982:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2000-2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 983:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001-2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Stewart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 984:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002-2003, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 985:

To the Minister of Labour: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 986:

To the Minister of Labour: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 987:

To the Minister of Labour: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 988:

To the Minister of Labour: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 989:

To the Minister of Labour: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 990:

To the Minister of Labour: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 991:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2000-2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 992:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001-2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 993:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002-2003? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 994:

To the Minister of Labour: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 995:

To the Minister of Labour: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 996:

To the Minister of Labour: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 997:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2000-2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 998:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001-2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 999:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002-2003, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1000:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Did management of the authority have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1001:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Did management of the authority have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1002:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Did management of the authority have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1003:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: How did management of the authority monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1004:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: How did management of the authority monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1005:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: How did management of the authority monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1006:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) Does management of the authority have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the authority during the year 2000-2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1007:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) Does management of the authority have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the authority during the year 2001-2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1008:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) Does management of the authority have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the authority during the year 2002-2003? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1009:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What did management of the authority find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1010:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What did management of the authority find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1011:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What did management of the authority find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1012:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) Is management of the authority aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the authority or its agencies in the year 2000-2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1013:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) Is management of the authority aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the authority or its agencies in the year 2001-2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1014:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) Is management of the authority aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the authority or its agencies in the year 2002-2003, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 42 and are to be answered by day no. 47:

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1015:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) With whom did the Minister and his officials meet with concerning Bill 28 – The Veterinarians Amendment Act, 2005? (2) At what dates and times did these meetings take place?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1016:

To the Minister of Property Management: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1017:

To the Minister of Property Management: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1018:

To the Minister of Property Management: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1019:

To the Minister of Property Management: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1020:

To the Minister of Property Management: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1021:

To the Minister of Property Management: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1022:

To the Minister of Property Management: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1023:

To the Minister of Property Management: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1024:

To the Minister of Property Management: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1025:

To the Minister of Property Management: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1026:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1027:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1028:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1029:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1030:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1031:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1032:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1033:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1034:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. Kerpan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1035:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 43 and are to be answered by day no. 48:

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1036:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) To date, has the provincial government made any payments to any First Nations with regard to the water level dispute on Echo and Pasqua Lakes? (2) If so, for how much and when?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1037:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) To date, has the provincial government made any specific payments to the Standing Buffalo First Nation with regard to the water level dispute in the Qu'Appelle Valley? (2) If so, for how much and when?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1038:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1039:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1040:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1041:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1042:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1043:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1044:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1045:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1046:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1047:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?