



FIRST SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 2

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES

By leave of the Assembly, Ms. Mowat, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services, presented the first report of the said committee.

(Sessional paper no. 30)

On motion of Ms. Mowat:

Ordered, That the first report of the Standing Committee on House Services be now concurred in.

SESSIONAL ORDER

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake):

Ordered, That the recommendation of the first report of the Standing Committee on House Services be adopted as a sessional order for the period Tuesday, December 1, 2020 to Monday, March 1, 2021 of the first session of the twenty-ninth legislature.

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Keisig, Mowat, and Vermette.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES

Ms. Mowat, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services, presented the second report of the said committee.

(Sessional paper no. 31)

On motion of Ms. Mowat:

Ordered, That the second report of the Standing Committee on House Services be now concurred in.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

Pursuant to the provisions of rule 44, the Assembly proceeded to the election of a Deputy Speaker.

The Clerk informed the Assembly that only one candidate had declared her intention to stand as a candidate for election to the position of Deputy Speaker.

Ms. Nadine Wilson, member for the constituency of Saskatchewan Rivers

(Sessional paper no. 29)

Pursuant to rule 43(3), Ms. Wilson, member for the constituency of Saskatchewan Rivers, was declared elected as Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committees of the Whole Assembly.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR OF COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake), by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Mr. Muhammad Fiaz, member for the constituency of Regina Pasqua, be appointed to preside as Deputy Chair of Committees of the Whole Assembly.

SITTING ADJOURNMENT MOTION

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake), by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That when this Assembly adjourns at the end of the day on Thursday, December 10, 2020, it shall stand adjourned until recalled by Mr. Speaker upon the request of the government and, when recalled, Mr. Speaker shall give each member, if practicable, clear notice of such date and time; and further

That when the Assembly reconvenes, the rules of the parliamentary calendar shall apply and the completion day of the session will be set in accordance with the rules.

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 His 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):

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 continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The debate being resumed on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Nerlien adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake):

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:21 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

*Hon. Randy Weekes
Speaker*

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Thursday:

Hon. Ms. Harpauer to move first reading of Bill No. 1 – The Income Tax (Strong Recovery Home Renovation Tax Credit) Amendment Act, 2020

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, and (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, and (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?