



FIRST SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

## **Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan**

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# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 37

**Thursday, May 13, 2021**

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: Young (Regina University), Francis, Bowes, Jenson, Conway, and Nippi-Albright.

### **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 call on the federal government to engage with the United States to ensure the continued operation and expansion of the pipeline network.

(Sessional paper no. 147)

To introduce pay equity legislation.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 98)

To protect the boreal forest and reject the proposed Lambert Peat Moss development.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 125)

To cancel the \$150 tax on electric vehicles and invest in charging stations.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 141)

To suspend planning for the Saskatoon freeway and update legislation in order to protect swales.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 142)

To call on the federal government to stop or amend Bill C-10.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 144)

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Summary of resolutions adopted:

### **GENERAL REVENUE FUND**

### **MAIN ESTIMATES 2021-22**

### **EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2022 the following sums:

### **BUDGETARY EXPENSES**

|     |   |               |
|-----|---|---------------|
| 1.  | For Advanced Education .....                      | \$734,952,000 |
| 2.  | For Agriculture .....                             | 384,625,000   |
| 3.  | For Corrections, Policing and Public Safety ..... | 530,718,000   |
| 4.  | For Education .....                               | 2,261,239,000 |
| 5.  | For Energy and Resources .....                    | 285,726,000   |
| 6.  | For Environment .....                             | 112,335,000   |
| 7.  | For Executive Council .....                       | 12,503,000    |
| 8.  | For Finance .....                                 | 241,731,000   |
| 9.  | For Government Relations .....                    | 613,228,000   |
| 10. | For Health .....                                  | 6,125,013,000 |
| 11. | For Highways .....                                | 829,806,000   |

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|-----|---|---------------|
| 12. | For Immigration and Career Training .....       | 200,243,000   |
| 13. | For Innovation Saskatchewan .....               | 28,727,000    |
| 14. | For Integrated Justice Services.....            | 192,225,000   |
| 15. | For Justice and Attorney General .....          | 142,522,000   |
| 16. | For Labour Relations and Workplace Safety ..... | 21,210,000    |
| 17. | For Parks, Culture and Sport .....              | 80,608,000    |
| 18. | For Public Service Commission .....             | 33,720,000    |
| 19. | For Saskatchewan Research Council .....         | 35,809,000    |
| 20. | For SaskBuilds and Procurement .....            | 99,911,000    |
| 21. | For SaskBuilds Corporation .....                | 50,000,000    |
| 22. | For Social Services.....                        | 1,337,243,000 |
| 23. | For Tourism Saskatchewan .....                  | 14,673,000    |
| 24. | For Trade and Export Development.....           | 206,914,000   |
| 25. | For Water Security Agency .....                 | 67,503,000    |

#### **LENDING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

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| 26. | For Advanced Education..... | \$80,000,000 |
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#### **LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND THE OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

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| 27. | For Advocate for Children and Youth.....                       | \$2,690,000 |
| 28. | For Conflict of Interest Commissioner.....                     | 576,000     |
| 29. | For Information and Privacy Commissioner .....                 | 2,058,000   |
| 30. | For Legislative Assembly .....                                 | 10,255,000  |
| 31. | For Ombudsman and Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner..... | 4,115,000   |
| 32. | For Provincial Auditor .....                                   | 8,912,000   |

**GENERAL REVENUE FUND****SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (NO. 2) 2020-21****EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2021 the following sums:

**BUDGETARY EXPENSES**

|    |   |             |
|----|---|-------------|
| 1. | For Advanced Education .....                      | \$1,800,000 |
| 2. | For Agriculture.....                              | 4,371,000   |
| 3. | For Corrections, Policing and Public Safety ..... | 35,400,000  |
| 4. | For Finance .....                                 | 20,000,000  |
| 5. | For Health .....                                  | 179,548,000 |
| 6. | For Highways.....                                 | 96,600,000  |
| 7. | For Innovation Saskatchewan .....                 | 12,000,000  |
| 8. | For Justice and Attorney General.....             | 5,100,000   |

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021, the sum of three hundred fifty-four million, eight hundred and nineteen thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022, the sum of fourteen billion, seven hundred and fifty-one million, seven hundred and ninety thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

The said resolutions were reported, read twice and agreed to, and the committee given leave to sit again.

**The Appropriation Act, 2021 (No. 1)**

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 37 — The Appropriation Act, 2021 (No. 1) be introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

Pursuant to rule 33, the said bill was then read a second and third time and passed, on division.

**ROYAL ASSENT/ SANCTION ROYALE**

2:25 p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.

Son Honneur le Lieutenant-gouverneur fait son entrée dans la Chambre et prend place au Trône.

The Speaker addressed His Honour:

Le Président s'adresse à Son Honneur:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

QU'IL PLAISE À VOTRE HONNEUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present session has passed several bills which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to your Honour and to which bills I respectfully request your Honour's assent.

Cette Assemblée législative, au cours de la présente session, a adopté des projets de loi que je présente à votre Honneur, au nom de l'Assemblée, et que je demande respectueusement à votre Honneur de sanctionner.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the bills that had been passed severally as follows:

Le Greffier de l'Assemblée a donné lecture des titres du projets de loi adoptés comme suit:

Bill No. 30 — The Saskatchewan Technology Start-up Incentive Amendment Act, 2021

Bill No. 31 — The Innovation Saskatchewan Amendment Act, 2021

Bill No. 5 — The Business Corporations Act, 2020

Bill No. 6 — The Business Corporations Consequential Amendments Act, 2020

Projet de loi n° 6 — Loi de 2020 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Business Corporations Act, 2020

Bill No. 7 — The Marriage Act, 2020

Projet de loi n° 7 — Loi de 2020 sur le mariage

Bill No. 8 — The Marriage Consequential Amendment Act, 2020

Bill No. 9 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Appeal Provisions) Amendment Act, 2020

Bill No. 10 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Appeal Provisions) Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2)

Projet de loi n° 10 — Loi corrective (dispositions d'appel) de 2020 (n° 2)

Bill No. 11 — The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2)

- Bill No. 14 — The Protection From Human Trafficking Act
- Bill No. 15 — The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 16 — The Pawns Property (Recording) Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 22 — The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 23 — The Emergency Planning Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 26 — The Police (Serious Incident Response Team) Amendment Act, 2021
- Bill No. 27 — The Summary Offences Procedure Amendment Act, 2021
- Bill No. 17 — The Traffic Safety (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 18 — The All Terrain Vehicles Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 24 — The Vehicles for Hire Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 21 — The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 4 — The Construction Codes Act
- Bill No. 12 — The Wanuskewin Heritage Park Amendment Act, 2020
- Bill No. 13 — The Doukhobors of Canada C.C.U.B. Trust Fund Amendment and Repeal Act, 2020
- Bill No. 28 — The Active Families Benefit Act, 2021
- Bill No. 32 — The Vapour Products Tax Act
- Bill No. 33 — The Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 2021
- Bill No. 34 — The Fuel Tax Amendment Act, 2021
- Bill No. 35 — The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2021
- Bill No. 36 — The Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2021
- Bill No. 3 — The Massage Therapy Act
- Bill No. 19 — The Human Resources Profession Act
- Bill No. 20 — The Publicly-funded Health Entity Public Interest Disclosure Act

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: “In Her Majesty’s name, I assent to these bills.”

Son Honneur le Lieutenant gouverneur alors a répondu: “Au nom de Sa Majesté, je sanctionne ces projets de loi.”

The Speaker addressed His Honour:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly has voted the supplies required to enable the government to defray the expenses of the public service. In the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour the following bill, to which bill I respectfully request Your Honour's assent:

Bill No. 37 — The Appropriation Act, 2021 (No. 1)

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: “In Her Majesty's name, I thank the Legislative Assembly, accept its benevolence, and assent to this bill.”

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

2:31 p.m.

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

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:33 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

*Hon. Randy Weekes*  
*Speaker*

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## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 33 and are to be answered by day no. 38:

**Question no. 22 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):**

To the Minister of Social Services, how many households in Saskatchewan are currently receiving: (a) a partial child care subsidy of \$600.00 or more per month, (b) a partial child care subsidy of \$500.00 or more per month, (c) a partial child care subsidy of \$400.00 or more per month, (d) a partial child care subsidy of \$300.00 or more per month, (e) a partial child care subsidy of \$200.00 or more per month, (f) a partial child care subsidy of \$100.00 or more per month, and (g) the maximum child care subsidy, broken down regionally as available?

**Question no. 23 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):**

To the Minister for Social Services, for each of the SAP, SIS, SAID, and TEA income assistance programs: (a) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, (b) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2019-2020 fiscal year, (c) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, (d) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2017-2018 fiscal year, (e) what was the total sum paid to beneficiaries in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, (f) what was the total sum paid to beneficiaries in the 2019-2020 fiscal year, (g) what was the total sum paid to beneficiaries in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, (h) what was the total sum paid to beneficiaries in the 2017-2018 fiscal year, (i) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, (j) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2019-2020 fiscal year, (k) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, and (l) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2017-2018 fiscal year?

**Question no. 24 (Ms. Bowes):**

To the Government, what specific actions has the government taken to address the 231 steps outlined in the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls final report?

**Question no. 25 (Ms. Bowes):**

To the Minister for Innovation Saskatchewan, how many projects were unsuccessful in applying for funding through the Innovation and Science Fund in each of the last three fiscal years, and how much funding was denied for each unsuccessful application?

**Question no. 26 (Ms. Bowes):**

To the Minister for Innovation Saskatchewan, how many projects were successful in applying for funding through the Innovation and Science Fund in each of the last three fiscal years, and how much funding was awarded for each successful project?

**Question no. 27 (Ms. Bowes):**

To the Government, how much funding is allocated for the Canadian Light Source in the 2021-22 budget?



**Question no. 28 (Ms. Bowes):**

To the Minister for Innovation Saskatchewan, regarding the eventual closure of the Canadian Light Source and its eventual need for its replacement: (a) how many meetings has the government had with the federal government to ensure the replacement for the Canadian Light Source is built in Saskatchewan, (b) what is Innovation Saskatchewan doing to support the University of Saskatchewan's efforts to ensure the replacement for the Canadian Light Source is built in Saskatchewan, and (c) when is the decision regarding the location for the Canadian Light Source's replacement expected to be made?

**Question no. 29 (Ms. Bowes):**

To the Government, since the closure of the Saskatchewan Transportation Company, what actions have been taken to ensure women fleeing domestic violence have a safe way to do so and do not have to resort to unsafe methods, such as hitchhiking?

**Question no. 30 (Ms. Bowes):**

To the Government, what is the position of the government on including mandatory education around consent in elementary and secondary school curricula?

**Question no. 31 (Mr. Meili):**

To the Minister of SaskBuilds and Procurement, (a) what is budgeted in 2021-2022 for contracts with IBM Canada, by Ministry, and (b) what projects and services were provided for the \$29,000,000 paid to IBM Canada in 2019-2020, as per Public Accounts, Vol 2?