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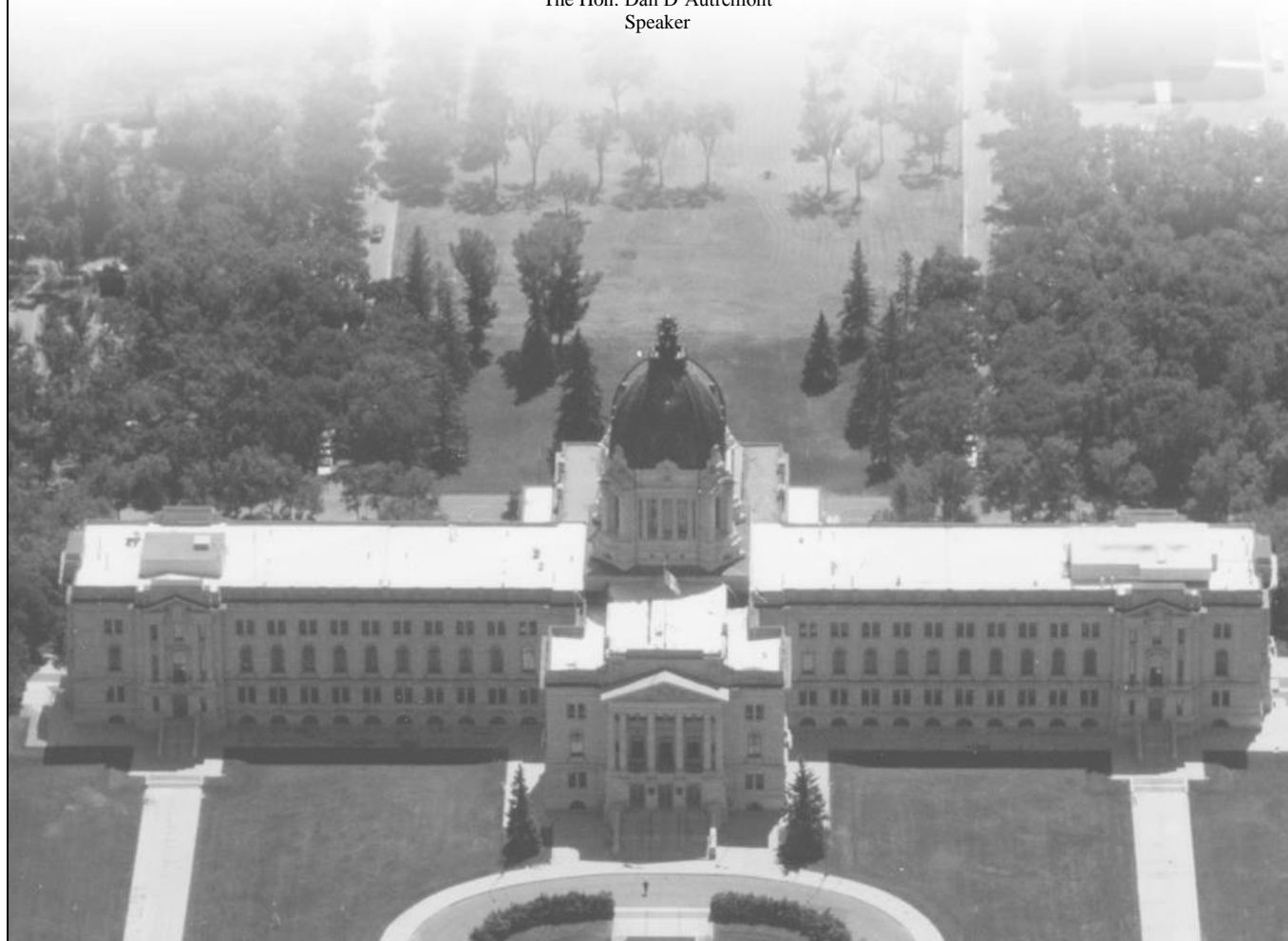
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Vacant		Prince Albert Carlton

[The Assembly met at 13:30.]

[Prayers]

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

### INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Social Services.

**Hon. Ms. Harpauer:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am honoured to introduce a group of very special women from the University of Saskatchewan. Joining us today in your gallery, Mr. Speaker, are Women in the Legislature student society: the president, Amanda Lindgren and 21 of her colleagues. They are, Mr. Speaker: Erin Pillipow who is the program director, Abby Holtslander, Anna Tsui, Anyssa Plan, Ashley Halko-Addley, Beth Thiessen, Cassie van Camp, Chelsea Laprairie, Chelsea Lavallie, Courtney Davies, Emily Sutherland, Janae Fehr, Jessica Iris, Mackenzie Paradzik, Maeve McLean, Mariana Souza, Priscila Tayna Ferreira da Silva, Renata Huyghebaert, Srini Samarawickrama, Richard Rothenburger, student supporter of the group, and Joel Seaman, student supporter of the group. Also joining us is Pat Faulconbridge who is the executive director of the Status of Women office. I ask all members to join me in welcoming this terrific set of students to the Assembly today.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Riversdale.

**Ms. Chartier:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is my privilege and pleasure here to join with the minister in welcoming the group from the Women in the Legislature from the University of Saskatchewan today.

I know this is actually one of the highlights for me of the spring legislative session. I believe it's the fourth year that the group has come, Mr. Speaker. And I know for me personally, increasing the number of women in this Chamber is vitally important. But the women also come to hear about women in public service, whether it's in the bureaucracy, Mr. Speaker, or learning about some of the other jobs that people can hold in this legislature, Mr. Speaker.

I'm excited to know that there are women who are interested and wanting to pursue a career in government because, Mr. Speaker, government is a good thing for the people of Saskatchewan, and to have interested people and such inspiring young women do this I think is awesome. I sure enjoyed my time yesterday chatting with them and I look forward to our dinner tonight. And I want to encourage you to keep up your studies and pursuing a path in government, no matter what path that might be.

So I ask my colleagues to join with us in welcoming them to their legislature today.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Rural and Remote Health.

**Hon. Mr. Ottenbreit:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To you and

through you to all members of the Assembly, I'd like to introduce a great group that's been entertaining in the rotunda today: students, instructors, and chaperones of Prairie Gael School of Irish Dance, Mr. Speaker.

With the group is Samantha Hope, Madeline Stang, Georgia Stang, Sophia Stang, Bronwyn Stang, Leshia Rybchuk, Emily Beggs, Kailey Beggs, Cailey Baseden, Lexie Sheard, Keegan Sheard, Caitriona Monaghan, Holly Wurster, Caroline Wurster, Adrianna Dizey, and two special people with them, Mr. Speaker, Petra Ottenbreit-Born, my niece from Regina here; and her mom is a chaperone, my sister, Glenna Ottenbreit-Born. I'm just excited to have them here today.

With them, dance teachers accompanying are Caitlin Preston who has a TCRG [Teagascóir Choimisiúin le Rinci Gaelacha] certification from the world of Irish dance commission, also Emily Armer. And also with the group — I don't know a lot of the other chaperones — but with them is Selena Beahm from my office, Mr. Speaker, my admin, and it's just great to be able to introduce her today. So I'd ask all members to welcome these people to their Legislative Assembly.

While I'm on my feet, Mr. Speaker, we have a great group of 65 grade 7 students from Yorkton, the Yorkdale Central School. They are accompanied by Mr. Noel Budz, Mr. Adam Neibrandt, and Mrs. Michelle Pfeifer. With them is a good friend of mine, and his dad's a good friend of mine, Mr. Levi Genovy. Mr. Speaker, I'd ask all members to welcome them to their Legislative Assembly.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Nutana.

**Ms. Sproule:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of the official opposition, I too would like to extend a big welcome to the Prairie Gael dancers and really glad to have you here today. You look beautiful with your outfits and your hair. It's just wonderful to see you here and celebrating dance, which is such an important part of our culture, an important part of the Irish culture. In particular, a special thanks to your teachers, who without them, this wouldn't happen.

So I'm always happy when I know that people are spending time with children, extending the cultural knowledge and sharing. So in the words of Gaelic, you know, a thousand welcomes, we'd have to say Céad Mile Fáilte. Welcome everyone to the Assembly.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Parks, Culture and Sport.

**Hon. Mr. Docherty:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to introduce to you and through you to all members of the Legislative Assembly, three guests sitting in the west gallery today, and just give a wave when I say your names, but Brandon Hicks, Aadon Fieger, and Riley Moynes. Mr. Hicks is a constituent of mine and works as a lawyer with Mr. Fieger and recently expressed interest in experiencing the legislative process. Mr. Moynes is president of Living Sky Media group. And I'm happy to introduce these guests here today, sir, and I ask all members to help me welcome them to their legislature.

## PRESENTING PETITIONS

## Women in the Legislature Program

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

**Mr. Wotherspoon:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise once again to present petitions on behalf of concerned residents as it relates to the unsafe conditions created by that government on Dewdney Avenue. And the prayer reads as follows:

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your honourable Legislative Assembly call on the provincial government to immediately take action as it relates to the unacceptable danger, disturbance, and infrastructure damage caused by the heavy-haul truck traffic on Dewdney Avenue west of the city centre, to ensure the safety and well-being of communities, families, residents, and users; and that those actions and plans should include rerouting the heavy-haul truck traffic, receive provincial funding, and be developed through consultation with the city of Regina, communities, and residents.

And as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

These petitions today are signed by concerned residents of Regina. I so submit.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Athabasca.

**Mr. Belanger:** — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to stand today to present petitions of over 700 citizens of Saskatchewan. The group has been advocating for the government to reassess their plan for the P3 [public-private partnership] Regina bypass, and they have started a website titled, whytowerroad.net.

And the petition reads as follows: that insufficient weight has been given to the concerns raised in regards to the location of the east Regina Highway 1 bypass and Pilot Butte interchange that'll impact taxpayers and everyone using it. There are serious concerns about safety of the proposed bypass, Highway No. 1 bypass, which is within city limits and too close to residential developments; that the Tower Road location and proposed Pilot Butte interchange risk functionality. They are at excessive costs and are not a suitable long-term solution. The prayer reads as follows:

Respectfully request that the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan cause a halt to the next phase of this project and cause the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure to review the proposed location of the No. 1 bypass at Tower Road and select a suitable location further east, one that will bypass city developments and create a safer environment for the motorists using it and for the taxpayers of the province.

Mr. Speaker, the people that have signed this petition are from all throughout the province of Saskatchewan, and I so present.

## STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Nutana.

**Ms. Sproule:** — Mr. Speaker, I rise in the Assembly today to recognize an important initiative at the University of Saskatchewan. The Women in the Legislature program has been raising awareness about women in Saskatchewan politics and the public service for many years now, and I'm very pleased to see so many delegates here in the gallery today.

It's no secret, Mr. Speaker, that this Legislative Assembly fails to reflect the gender diversity of Saskatchewan society. Although our small women's caucus was recently bolstered by the addition of the member for Lloydminster who's resplendent in green today for St. Patrick's Day, we still hold less than a quarter of the seats in the Assembly. When you consider the representation of Aboriginal women, women of colour, and queer women, the disconnect between this House and the Saskatchewan population is even more alarming. As a former civil servant, I can attest to the fact that these inequalities are not limited to our Legislative Assembly but extend throughout the management of the provincial public service as well.

This lack of representation is what makes the work of Women in the Legislature so important. The leadership and encouragement that WiL [Women in the Legislature] provides to young women is exactly the type of work needed to ensure that women's voices are truly heard in this House and across our province. It was my pleasure to meet with them yesterday. They are clearly engaged in politics and our democratic process.

I look forward to meeting with them tonight to further our discussion, and I ask all members to join me in thanking the organization of this year's WiL program and to commit to working to ensure that in the future there will be many more women holding leadership positions in this Assembly and across our province. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Parks, Culture and Sport.

## Celebrating St. Patrick's Day

**Hon. Mr. Docherty:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today is St. Paddy's Day, the annual celebration of all things Irish. But, Mr. Speaker, it is importantly a celebration for the Irish patron saint, St. Patrick, who was a Christian missionary in the fifth century who worked hard to bring Christianity to Ireland. He was beaten, harassed by the Irish royalty, and reprimanded by his British superiors. After his death, poor St. Patrick was largely forgotten, but over time his mythology grew. In an interesting and a far from sobering side note, Guinness consumption more than doubles worldwide in more than 13 million pints each St. Paddy's Day. When this great province was founded, one in 10 of our residents were of Irish origin. The Irish have been a crucial part of Saskatchewan's history and it is fitting that we celebrate with them today.

I'd also like to welcome the Prairie Gael School of Irish Dance, who already performed in the rotunda earlier today. Already in their 18th year of operation, Prairie Gael provides recreational and competitive classes for all dancers age 4 and up. Students compete in a number of feiseanna every year to show off their skills. Mr. Speaker, I ask all members to join me in recognizing

patron St. Patrick and celebrating all things Irish. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Riversdale.

**Ms. Chartier:** — Mr. Speaker, today is St. Patrick's Day, the feast day of the Emerald Isle's patron saint. It's a day when everyone, whether Irish or not, can honour and celebrate our province's connection to Ireland and its people.

That's a connection that I am proud to share too, Mr. Speaker. Two sets of my great-great-grandparents came from Ireland and crossed the Atlantic to North America in the 1800s to build a better life. My grandmother, Elizabeth Moher, later came to Saskatchewan but never forgot her Irish roots.

The Irish people of Saskatchewan, like my grandmother Elizabeth, have always served our province and our country with distinction. Through public service, our Armed Forces, a unique language and culture, Irish people in Saskatchewan have always contributed greatly to our province and helped make it a better place for everyone.

As evidenced by the many St. Patrick's Day celebrations, the amazing Irish dance schools like Prairie Gael here today, the vibrant pavilions at Regina's Mosaic and Saskatoon's Folk Fest, and with the more recent wave of Irish immigration here, Irish culture is alive and well in our province and is here to stay.

So to you, Mr. Speaker, and to my colleagues and to the people of Saskatchewan, as my gran would say, "May your neighbours respect you, trouble neglect you, the angels protect you, and heaven accept you." Happy St. Patrick's Day.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Regina Qu'Appelle Valley.

### Supporting Women in Politics

**Ms. Ross:** — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to rise today to highlight Women in the Legislature — a very important student group from the University of Saskatchewan who have joined us here today. Mr. Speaker, these students have been in the Legislative Assembly for a couple of days to learn about the provincial political system and how women in politics make a difference.

This non-partisan group's aim is to increase the awareness of under-representation of women in politics, to inspire women to consider entering politics, to give female students an opportunity to interact with female politicians and to encourage women to become active in political life. Mr. Speaker, I am proud that the alumnae of women in the legislative group has gone on to participate in politics and in governance. They are contributing to political campaigns, hold positions in provincial, federal, and First Nations governance, and are serving as leaders and mentors to those who have political aspirations.

Mr. Speaker, the Minister of Corrections and Policing and the member from Kelvington-Wadena, the member from Prince Albert Northcote, and the member from Saskatchewan Rivers and myself had a great opportunity to meet and speak with these

women yesterday. I would like to take this time to thank them very much for coming, for showing a passion in politics, and wish them continued success with their respective ambitions. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

[13:45]

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Carrot River Valley.

### Carrot River Curlers Win Provincial Bronze

**Mr. Bradshaw:** — Mr. Speaker, on March 6th and 7th, St. Mary's High School in Prince Albert hosted the 2015 Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association provincial boys, girls, and mixed championships at the Prince Albert Golf and Curling Club.

After winning first place in the North East Sask Schools Athletic Conference and then again at regionals in Nipawin the following week, the Carrot River seniors mixed team moved on to provincials. This team was led by skip Nicholas Enns, third Taylor Kozun, second Brycen McCrea, lead Karlyn Johnson, and alternates Lydia Sauder and Brayden Janzen. Coach Barry Kozun has dedicated many hours to working with not only this team but has also coached junior and senior curling for several years.

Mr. Speaker, the team squared off in some tough competition with a few games being decided by the last rock. The final game was no exception. Going into the Bronze Medal game against Regina Thom team Saturday afternoon, our team struggled from behind but battled back to win 6-4 in this nail-biter game.

Mr. Speaker, this team had a lot of pressure riding on them going into the provincials since it's been 59 years since Carrot River High School has medalled in provincial curling. I would ask all members to join in congratulating the 2014 provincial bronze mixed championships from Carrot River High School. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Melville-Saltcoats.

### Agricultural Safety Week

**Mr. Bjornerud:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in this House today to announce March 15th to 21st is Agricultural Safety Week in Saskatchewan. Mr. Speaker, there are risks in farming and ranching and we want to remind our province's producers to take the steps necessary to keep themselves and their families safe. Each year approximately 14 people are killed and many others injured on farms in incidents that could have been prevented. Whether you're working, living, or visiting a farm, we want you to be safe.

The theme of this year's week is Be the Difference! which focuses on encouraging individuals, organizations, and communities to be the difference and make Canada's farms a safe place to live and work.

Mr. Speaker, Sask Ag provided \$125,000 in funding to the

Canadian Centre for Health and Safety in Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan. This funding provides agricultural health and safety programming to the farm families in the province. Saskatchewan Ag has also provided \$30,000 in funding to the Saskatchewan Association of Ag Societies and Exhibitions for farm safety workshops for youth.

Mr. Speaker, I'd like this Assembly to join me in asking our farmers and ranchers to take care this spring as you put your crop in or assist with the calving. Mr. Speaker, we wish every farmer and rancher a safe and healthy growing season. Thank you.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Cut Knife-Turtleford.

### Plans for the Economy

**Mr. Doke:** — Mr. Speaker, we've noticed that the NDP [New Democratic Party] leader almost never talks about the economy, and now we know why. Yesterday he was trying to explain what he would do to offset the downturn in the oil sector. And what was his answer? He would bring back the film tax credit. Brilliant, absolutely brilliant.

He said, and I quote, "It would be great to have the industry here to make up for any temporary dip that might be with the oil." Let me repeat that. The NDP leader's economic plan is to have the film industry make up for "any temporary dip that might be there with oil."

Mr. Speaker, we can debate what is the best way to advance the film industry in our province: the old FETC [film employment tax credit] or the new system under Creative Saskatchewan. But either way, the film industry is only a tiny fraction of the economic activity and provincial revenue generated by the oil industry in Saskatchewan. I think everyone in Saskatchewan understands that, everyone but the Leader of the NDP.

Mr. Speaker, this is why the NDP can't talk about the economy. They don't understand the economy. They don't understand the relative size of different sectors of the economy, and their plans just don't add up. The good news is our government does have a plan to keep our economy strong, and we don't have to rely on the tree book or the NDP's shaky Brotenomics.

### QUESTION PERIOD

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

#### Quality of Care and Staffing Levels in Long-Term Care Home

**Mr. Broten:** — Kay Shumaker is 89 years old. Her daughter-in-law Terry is here today. Elizabeth Martens is 92 years old. Her daughter Betsey Ryan is here today. And Ray Cherpin is 84 years old. His daughter Eva Mastel is here today.

Kay, Elizabeth, and Ray live in the Prairie Pioneers Lodge in Swift Current. Their family members have travelled to the legislature today because they're tired of hearing this government pretend the problems in seniors' care are isolated. They're concerned that this government, they keep

congratulating themselves for a new model of care that they're rolling out because they've been part of this pilot project, Mr. Speaker, this family. They're hugely concerned about the quality of care being provided, and they are especially concerned about the safety of their loved ones.

My question, Mr. Speaker, is for the Premier. Will he agree to meet with his constituents today so he can hear first-hand their very real concerns about the quality of care being provided in Swift Current through this pilot project?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Premier.

**Hon. Mr. Wall:** — The answer, Mr. Speaker, is absolutely. We can have that meeting later this day.

Mr. Speaker, I'm certainly aware of the project that's under way in the health region with respect to a model of care, have received and monitored correspondence on the issue from constituents and also from front-line workers, Mr. Speaker, and have engaged with the region on the issue as well to follow progress or potentially the lack of progress so that we can determine whether or not this is an effective way to go.

Mr. Speaker, long-term care in my constituency and across the province remains a priority for the government. It's why we have made unprecedented investments in long-term care in Saskatchewan, not just in terms of human resources, of additional nurses, additional caregivers who are on the front lines in greater numbers than certainly they were not very long ago and years ago when members opposite were the government, but also in the case in Swift Current where we had and still are working with facilities that frankly are not good enough. And now under way in Swift Current is the construction of a new long-term care facility to provide at least a better structure.

With respect to this model of care though, I'd be happy to meet later this day, and we do continue to monitor the implementation of this project.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

**Mr. Broten:** — Mr. Speaker, the families who have travelled here today have raised concerns on numerous occasions, but they haven't been listened to, Mr. Speaker. They've come to the legislature because they're concerned about the quality of care and they're concerned about the safety for their loved ones.

They're concerned, Mr. Speaker, especially about the ratio of just 1 care aid to 10 residents. That care aid is expected to do absolutely everything, including personal care, cooking, feeding, cleaning, and laundry, and that care aid has just one half-time floater to help them out with all of those tasks, all of those duties. When looking after 10 residents with significant care needs, all of whom have dementia, it's incredibly challenging for one full-time care aid and a half-time floater to do all of the personal care, all of the cooking, all of the feeding, all of the cleaning, and all of the laundry.

My question to the Premier: does he recognize that? Does he share this concern that family members from Swift Current are expressing?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Premier.

**Hon. Mr. Wall:** — Mr. Speaker, I share the concern. The government shares the concern with everybody in the province with respect to optimum care for their loved ones with respect to our long-term care facilities or any facilities across our health care system.

Mr. Speaker, the health care system is undergoing a process of continuous improvement. We've seen some significant successes in trying different things. We for example have seen some great success in new innovations in the surgical wait times initiative, Mr. Speaker, where we're using private clinics to drastically reduce wait times for surgery, especially orthopedic surgery which of course is important for not just . . . but many seniors across the province.

On this particular issue I look forward to meeting with the guests that have joined us today, my constituents. Mr. Speaker, we continue to monitor this particular project. Long-term care remains a priority for me as the MLA [Member of the Legislative Assembly] and for this government. Witness the investment we're making in my hometown of Swift Current and right across the province.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

**Mr. Broten:** — Mr. Speaker, this is the model of care that the second Health minister said last week was second to none. Clearly, Mr. Speaker, it's not working, this government's approach.

Now we have regulations in this province for child care which specify the maximum number of children one person can care for. In child care centres, that maximum ratio is one worker for every three infants and one worker for every five toddlers, and the ratios are actually even lower in family child care homes. But this government, Mr. Speaker, despite this talk, they refuse to properly regulate seniors' care here in Saskatchewan, and the model of care that they are rolling out is holding this up as an amazing example. It has only 1 worker to 10 residents. And I hear, Mr. Speaker, in Rosetown actually the ratio is even worse.

So my question, Mr. Speaker, to the Premier: we have regulations that specify appropriate staffing levels for child care. Why does he refuse to have proper regulations for seniors' care?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Premier.

**Hon. Mr. Wall:** — Mr. Speaker, it's very important to correct the record. This government has regulations and standards with respect to seniors' care in the province of Saskatchewan. This is a matter of public record as presented by the Health minister and by the Minister of Rural and Remote Health.

Moreover, Mr. Speaker, the number of people working on the front lines to take care of people remains a top priority for the government. That's why there are over 750 more caregivers in long-term and integrated care in the province of Saskatchewan, 750 more than there were when members opposite had the chance to do something years ago. It's also why there are more doctors practising, 400-plus more in the province today.

It's why we are, rather than closing long-term care facilities and beds — which members opposite did, to be fair, when they were in government — we're opening them. We are replacing them. We are adding to them. In the case of Swift Current, we're going to add to the number of long-term care beds that are available today currently in facilities that need to be replaced.

Mr. Speaker, if we have the same complement of seniors in care — and that's roughly the case today — as we did prior to '07 when our government took office, and we have 750 more caregivers in long-term care and in integrated care, then the argument that we're not providing staffing resources I think is problematic. The fact of the matter is that we are.

Now in terms of continuous improvement, models are being tried. If they do not end in better care, if the net result is not better care for people, for constituents of all of ours, then those particular models of care, those particular pilot projects will not continue.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

**Mr. Broten:** — Mr. Speaker, there are no regulations in place for staffing ratios in seniors' care like we have in child care, Mr. Speaker. That is very clear. Even the Health minister's chief of staff described the guidelines that this government put in as extremely general once they pulled away the regulations that had been in place, Mr. Speaker.

The families who are coming here today are coming because they are concerned. They're concerned about the quality of care for their loved ones. They're concerned about this practice that they have seen in place now through this pilot for about six months, and they don't like it.

In the fall, Betsey Ryan wrote to the Premier and she said this: "What happens when the continuing care assistant is in a resident's room getting ready for the day, and some of the other residents are wandering in the hall, pushing and fighting?" She went on to write, "I am very concerned about my mom's safety in such an understaffed facility."

My question, Mr. Speaker, to the Premier: does he at least recognize that there are major safety concerns both for staff and residents when staffing ratios are so poor?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Premier.

**Hon. Mr. Wall:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the hon. member opposite, this government has been and continues to be concerned about the ratios that he references.

Mr. Speaker, this government was very concerned, upon its election, to see the state of long-term care in the province, to see that so many long-term care beds had been closed by members opposite, to see that they had stopped funding training for nurses in this province. So there was a shortage of 1,000 nurses and caregivers to seniors that we had to deal with, that we still must deal with. We were concerned to see the massive shortage in doctors across the province.

You bet we were then concerned and remain concerned today.

That's why there are 2,600 more nurses of every designation practising today, and there are 750 more caregivers in integrated and long-term care in the province than there were just a few short years ago when members opposite had the chance to make a change.

Mr. Speaker, the work's not done yet. What was left behind, that particular deficit in care for people has not yet been fully repaid, and this government will not stop its efforts until we've caught up. Are we there yet today? No. Are we trying models that might improve care and use more resources than were there previously as effectively as possible? Yes.

The ultimate measure will be the care that the patients receive. And so I've been watching that correspondence and involved in the correspondence, watching this particular model happening in my own backyard. Mr. Speaker, if it doesn't result in better care for seniors, for my constituents and for his, we'll not go ahead with it.

[14:00]

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

**Mr. Broten:** — Mr. Speaker, the families that are here today talked about multiple residents being involved in altercations, and they say that one worker would not have been able to properly deal with it. They talk about residents, Mr. Speaker, not being properly fed their entire meals or not even getting lunch until 3:30 in the afternoon because the aids were simply run off their feet. They see staff doing everything that they absolutely can, but they just can't keep up. They also talk about seeing the morale of care aids plummet, Mr. Speaker, seeing care aids becoming frustrated and leaving their positions.

My question, Mr. Speaker, to the Premier: how many more families have to come to the legislature expressing their concerns right now about quality of care before this government will take chronic short-staffing seriously? Does he stand by this pilot that has a ratio of 1 worker to 10 residents?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Premier.

**Hon. Mr. Wall:** — Mr. Speaker, we have done nothing but take seriously the issue of human resources in long-term care in the health care system since we had the good fortune of being elected in 2007. I mean we can canvass what the situation was that we inherited again. I'm happy to do that. I'm happy to point out that we have been and continue to deal with a massive deficit in care, in human resources, in long-term care facilities, left behind by members opposite.

Mr. Speaker, over the last seven years we have been consistently and determinedly adding investment, adding human resources. The objective of the Government of Saskatchewan remains to be to provide the best possible care for people in long-term care, people in integrated care, people in acute care, people who are waiting for surgeries.

And we have followed those words up, that goal up, with actions: significant millions, hundreds of millions more in budget after budget to replace long-term care facilities that needed replacement; to add new long-term care beds that are

needed, including in my constituency; to add more care aids, not take them away; to add more people in care on the front lines for long-term care.

Mr. Speaker, in terms of continuous improvement projects, this one and others, we are going to . . . The measure will be the best care for the patient, the patient-first approach. That will be the case here, and I look forward to meeting with the families and talking further about their own experience with it, with this particular model.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

**Mr. Broten:** — Mr. Speaker, the families that have come today speak of an approach that we see, through this model of care and the resources that's not being backed up into it, Mr. Speaker, as being far more task oriented than patient or resident oriented. And the families who are here today, Mr. Speaker, they talk about some staff being added on. But you know what? It's not onto the front lines. It's not where their mothers and their family members need the care, Mr. Speaker.

They talk about last month, for example, for three whole weeks the family members say that there were about 13 lean specialists deployed in the seniors' care home, Mr. Speaker. With stopwatches they were roaming the hallways, taking time of front-line providers, Mr. Speaker, timing everything from how long it takes a nurse to go to the bathroom to how long it takes to open a can of soup in the kitchen.

These family members want permanent staff added where it'll make a difference in the lives of their family members, Mr. Speaker, to improve safety, to improve the quality of care. They don't want 13 stopwatch-carrying lean specialists, Mr. Speaker, taking workers away from what they should be doing, as front-line workers burn out, as they leave, and as the care for their loved ones suffers.

My question to the Premier: when will all of this stopwatch nonsense end? When will quality of care and dignity and respect for seniors in this province be the priority?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Premier.

**Hon. Mr. Wall:** — Mr. Speaker, quality of care and the dignity of all of those in care has never stopped being the priority of this government.

Mr. Speaker, it is one thing for the Leader of the Opposition to stand in his place and ask questions, as he should, and for constituents to come from wherever they live in the province and present their case to the government, and they should. But let's not forget the history of this particular issue. Let us not forget what members opposite failed to do when they had a chance to do it for 16 long years, in my constituency as well.

What they didn't do, Mr. Speaker, was keep long-term care beds open. They shut them down. What they didn't do is train enough nurses, so there was a chronic shortage by the end of their term. They didn't do the same thing for doctors. There was a chronic shortage by the end of the term. The member from Lakeview is heckling. Mr. Speaker, what they left behind in my constituency were facilities that desperately needed to be



replaced, which is now going to get done.

Mr. Speaker, with respect to this particular pilot project, I want to say to the members opposite that the notion here was that continuing care aid numbers were to increase through this pilot. That's my understanding, Mr. Speaker, and if that's not happened, then I think we'll want answers just as well as anyone that's joined us here today or as the Leader of the Opposition will want answers. We'll want to make sure that there are a greater increase in the complement of care aids, Mr. Speaker.

I can tell you that the region reports there's not to be, not to be any reduction in staffing levels period, not reallocated staff for any other project, notwithstanding what he might want to engage in on the floor of the House. If these things aren't happening, Mr. Speaker, we're going to want and we're going to receive answers. And we're going to watch this particular project go forward. I understand it's happening at Sherwood as well in Saskatoon. And if it's not about the best care for our residents and our seniors, it won't continue.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Riversdale.

#### Costs and Benefits of the Lean Initiative

**Ms. Chartier:** — The family members who have travelled here from Swift Current are not only concerned about the quality of care and they're not only irritated by the stopwatches, they're frustrated by the massive amount of money this government has poured into the John Black lean project.

Betsey Ryan was a family participant in two John Black workshops. She was asked to be a part of other workshops but declined because she saw how ridiculous it all is, and she was especially frustrated that most of the changes don't stick. Each one of these workshops cost \$34,000 over and above the John Black contract, and each of these workshops involves over two weeks of work from the government's legion of lean specialists. How can the minister justify such a massive waste of money and time on these kinds of workshops, especially when these changes don't stick?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister of Rural and Remote Health.

**Hon. Mr. Ottenbreit:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The comments from the member opposite are not totally true. We have two camps when it comes to lean. There are those that are somewhat apprehensive to learn new ways and change and adapt to the new formats, Mr. Speaker, but there are many that are seeing the change. They're seeing the efficiencies: financial and the care to patients, Mr. Speaker.

So you know, if we look at the John Black contract, it has been pointed out, it's been said in this House in the last number of days and the members opposite are very aware that contract is ending the end of this month. However we have a lot of lean capacity built into this system. There's well over 600 lean leaders trained in this province. Lean will continue in this province, Mr. Speaker.

We can point to significant savings, at this point 125 million in accumulated savings, and more to be seen in the future, Mr. Speaker, whether it's efficiencies and care, whether it's savings financially, or efficiencies in systems and facilities. The Moose Jaw Hospital is a case in point that I'd love to speak about more in the following questions.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Riversdale.

**Ms. Chartier:** — Betsey talks about a meal prep workshop which resulted in Ninja ovens being purchased and used to cook a turkey and roast ham as part of the workshop. But Betsey says those Ninja ovens have hardly been used since then because the staffing ratios don't actually allow time for proper meal preparation, so the Ninja ovens sit there while the staff frantically open up a can of soup or make sandwiches. That's not nutritious or even practical for many of these residents, but it also shows how wasteful many of these John Black workshops are. To the minister: how can you explain this?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister of Rural and Remote Health.

**Hon. Mr. Ottenbreit:** — Mr. Speaker, we've talked about the language around the lean contract and lean implementation in this Assembly before. And I've explained, you know, initially I maybe had some questions about Japanese terminology, but when I talked to the front-line workers, the lean leaders, Mr. Speaker, what they've said to me . . . If you look at, if you compare English to Japanese, quite often Japanese has few words that mean a lot; English has a lot of words that mean little. We can see that in the Assembly from time to time, Mr. Speaker. What the lean leaders have said to me personally was that the language is very specific once you learn the terminology.

And, Mr. Speaker, we're looking forward to, as lean rolls out in the province, Saskatchewanizing lean and implementing it in different ways that there's more Saskatchewan focus, Mr. Speaker. But when front-line workers say to me personally that they don't know how they would communicate with staff as efficiently, as effectively as they have been trained through lean processes and using some of the Japanese terminology, Mr. Speaker, I take their word.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Riversdale.

**Ms. Chartier:** — Mr. Speaker, that question had nothing to do with language and had everything to do about ensuring seniors have nutritious meals.

The waste doesn't end with unused Ninja cooking ovens. This government's \$40 million American lean consultant also has closet organizing workshops. Those are called 5S [sort, simplify, sweep, standardize, self-discipline] processes, and they last five days. Betsey has seen the same closet space at Prairie Pioneers Lodge reorganized several times through separate 5S processes. First, it stored incontinence supplies. Then it was changed to store food. But those results didn't stick and they had to haul it out into the hallway to 5S it again. The last 5S closet reorganizing process even involved the health

region's CEO [chief executive officer]. To the Health minister: how does that make any sense?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Rural and Remote Health.

**Hon. Mr. Ottenbreit:** — Mr. Speaker, I'll tell you what 5S has done. Specifically the primary health clinic in Yorkton, when speaking to the officials there, the people that designed, the front-line workers and the citizens that helped design that facility, Mr. Speaker, going from what would have needed 10 separate 10-by-10 rooms for storage and stocking and health care professionals not used to having their stock where they need it, stockpiling and hoarding and not knowing where things are, Mr. Speaker, where they're to the point now they have a 4-by-12, effectively a large closet that's well organized, the stock systematically coming in, no waste, stock where they need it, and stock in the patient rooms where they need it, Mr. Speaker.

We've heard some concerns about the Swift Current facility but, Mr. Speaker, you know, what lean is doing as well is looking at staffing levels and in fact with the Swift Current project, increasing staffing levels, Mr. Speaker. I think the members opposite, the leader would know, would have seen this maybe, this tweet, Mr. Speaker. I'm looking forward to one more question so I can get this on record.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

### Community-Training Residence

**Mr. Wotherspoon:** — Mr. Speaker, Normanview residents and those throughout northwest Regina were shocked to learn that the CTR [community-training residence], a correctional facility for male adult offenders, is being moved into their neighbourhood by this government without any consultation, across the street from a school, near other schools in the heart of a family neighbourhood. Can the minister explain why families in northwest Regina were not consulted about this major change to their neighbourhood?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Corrections and Policing.

**Hon. Ms. Tell:** — Thank, you, Mr. Speaker. The community-training residence program is a highly successful part of Corrections and Policing's focus on building literacy and job skills for low-risk offenders. In other words, Mr. Speaker, we want to help turn offenders into taxpayers.

The move will increase the space from the current community-training residence to the Dales House. It will increase space for low risk — and I'm going to correct the members opposite — it's for low-risk offenders, Mr. Speaker. There are no sex offenders in this program. There are no violent offenders in this particular program. This move, not only will it house more offenders, low-risk offenders, but it will also save the ministry over \$30,000 per year in lease payments from the current location, Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

**Mr. Wotherspoon:** — Mr. Speaker, it's absolutely appalling and unacceptable that that government would ram forward with a change of this nature and to inundate a community and change this facility into an adult offender unit without engaging the communities and the residents who live within the communities.

You know, we're joined today by people here in this legislature that are residents and that are concerned. What they're hearing is that government is telling them that in just a couple of weeks they're going to occupy and actually operate that facility. In fact they said they'll invite them to an open house next week to tell them what it's all about. That's ridiculous, Mr. Speaker, by month's end.

This is absolutely unacceptable. Will the minister and this government agree to scrap this timeline, this plan, and start listening to the community?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Corrections and Policing.

**Hon. Ms. Tell:** — Mr. Speaker, I am going to correct the member again. The community-training residence program has seen a 90 per cent success rate of placing low-risk — it's low-risk — offenders into programming to help them build the skills that they need to participate in our communities because it's not very long, Mr. Speaker, these people are going to be released into our communities. I'd much rather have them prepared to reintegrate successfully.

Mr. Speaker, as a result of some of the conversations that we've had with the community, and we understand that communication with the community is essential, the dialogue for this particular move and with the community was not extensive enough. Mr. Speaker, we can do better and we will do better. As such, Mr. Speaker, we are pausing this move for a short period of time to ensure that this community has received and continues to receive information from government, factual information, and we have heard more from the community as to what they wish to have. Thank you.

[14:15]

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the member for Regina Rosemont.

**Mr. Wotherspoon:** — The minister says they're going to pause this for a short period of time to give them more information about their decision. That's not consultation, Mr. Speaker.

It's absolutely unacceptable for that government to fill that facility and to make this change within this neighbourhood without listening and working directly with the community and hearing the very valid risks about safety, the very valid concerns, about parents concerned about their kids and how they're going to get to school and walking up the streets, and the very specific security concerns related to this facility, Mr. Speaker. The communities affected don't deserve lip service after the fact. They deserve a real voice and real concerns.

We haven't heard a thing from their MLA, the member from Walsh Acres. We haven't heard anything from the member for Coronation Park. In fact I don't even . . . I understand they

haven't even connected with the communities on this front.

Mr. Speaker, my question to the minister and to this government: why won't they come to their senses and scrap this plan?

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Minister for Corrections and Policing.

**Hon. Ms. Tell:** — Mr. Speaker, what does the opposition have against successful reintegration of low-risk offenders? Mr. Speaker, these offenders must be in the community somewhere. We will continue the dialogue with the community. We will listen to what the community has to say, Mr. Speaker.

[Interjections]

**The Speaker:** — Order.

**Hon. Ms. Tell:** — We will listen to what the community has to say, Mr. Speaker, and ensure that the community has factual information about these offenders and how the programming works, how they get to their jobs if they're working outside the community, how they get to school, Mr. Speaker. The criteria is strict, Mr. Speaker, as to what offenders actually go into this particular program.

Mr. Speaker, we look at this as a bigger front. Our correctional system is overloaded. This is another way for us to reintegrate low-risk offenders into the community, Mr. Speaker.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

#### Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

**Ms. Ross:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report Bill No. 153, *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole?

I recognize the Minister of Justice.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that this bill now be read a third time.

**The Speaker:** — The Minister of Justice has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 153, *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014* without amendment. Is leave granted?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

#### THIRD READINGS

#### Bill No. 153 — *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014*

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I move this bill be now read a third time and passed under its title.

**The Speaker:** — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General that Bill No. 153, *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Question.

**The Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

#### Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

**Ms. Ross:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report this is a bilingual bill, Bill No. 154, *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2)* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and this bill be now read a third time.

**The Speaker:** — The Minister of Justice and Attorney General has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 154, *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2)*. Is leave granted?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

#### THIRD READINGS

#### Bill No. 154 — *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2)/Loi n° 2 de 2014 modifiant le droit législatif*

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move this bill be now read a third time and passed under its title.

**The Speaker:** — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General that Bill No. 154, *The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014 (No. 2)* be now read the third time and passed under its title.

Is the Assembly ready for the question? Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

#### Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

**Ms. Ross:** — Mr. Speaker, I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report this is a bilingual bill, Bill No. 155, *The Health Care Directives and Substitute Health Care Decision Makers Act, 2014* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that this bill now be read a third time.

#### THIRD READINGS

##### Bill No. 155 — *The Health Care Directives and Substitute Health Care Decision Makers Act, 2014/Loi de 2014 sur les directives et les subrogés en matière de soins de santé*

**The Speaker:** — The Minister of Justice and Attorney General has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 155, *The Health Care Directives and Substitute Health Care Decision Makers Act, 2014* and that the bill be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Question.

**The Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

#### Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

**Ms. Ross:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report Bill No. 156, *The Health Care Directives and Substitute Health Care Decision Makers Consequential Amendments Act, 2014* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that this bill now be read a third time.

**The Speaker:** — Do the members wish to debate this bill on third reading? The Minister of Justice and Attorney General has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 156, *The Health Care Directives and Substitute Health Care Decision Makers Consequential Amendments Act, 2014* without amendment. Is leave granted?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

#### THIRD READINGS

##### Bill No. 156 — *The Health Care Directives and Substitute Health Care Decision Makers Consequential Amendments Act, 2014*

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move this bill now be read the third time and passed under its title.

**The Speaker:** — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General that Bill No. 156, *The Health Care Directives and Substitute Health Care Decision Makers Consequential Amendments Act, 2014* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Question.

**The Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

**PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING  
AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

**Standing Committee on Intergovernmental  
Affairs and Justice**

**Ms. Ross:** — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report Bill No. 144, *The Victims of Domestic Violence Amendment Act, 2014* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that the bill now be read a third time.

**The Speaker:** — The Minister of Justice has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 144, *The Victims of Domestic Violence Amendment Act, 2014* and that the bill be now read the third time. Is leave granted?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

**THIRD READINGS**

**Bill No. 144 — *The Victims of Domestic Violence  
Amendment Act, 2014***

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill now be read a third time and passed under its title.

**The Speaker:** — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General that Bill No. 144, *The Victims of Domestic Violence Amendment Act, 2014* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Question.

**The Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

**PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING  
AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

**Standing Committee on Intergovernmental  
Affairs and Justice**

**Ms. Ross:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report this is a bilingual bill, Bill No. 152, *The Victims of Domestic Violence Consequential Amendment Act, 2014* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that the bill now be read a third time.

**The Speaker:** — The Minister of Justice and Attorney General has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 152, *The Victims of Domestic Violence Consequential Amendment Act, 2014* and that the bill be now read the third time. Is leave granted?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

**THIRD READINGS**

**Bill No. 152 — *The Victims of Domestic Violence  
Consequential Amendment Act, 2014/Loi de 2014 portant  
modification corrélative à la loi intitulée The Victims of  
Domestic Violence Consequential Amendment Act, 2014***

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that this bill now be read a third time and passed under its title.

**The Speaker:** — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General that Bill No. 152, *The Victims of Domestic Violence Consequential Amendment Act, 2014* be now read the third time and passed under its title.

Is the Assembly ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Question.

**The Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

**PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING  
AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

**Standing Committee on Intergovernmental  
Affairs and Justice**

**Ms. Ross:** — Mr. Speaker, I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report Bill No. 145, *The Fee Waiver Act* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that the bill now be read a third time.

**The Speaker:** — The Minister of Justice and Attorney General has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 145, *The Fee Waiver Act* and that the bill be now read the third time. Is leave granted?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

**THIRD READINGS**

**Bill No. 145 — *The Fee Waiver Act***

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill now be read a third time and passed under its title.

**The Speaker:** — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General that Bill No. 145, *The Fee Waiver Act* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Question.

**The Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

**PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING  
AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Chair of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice Committee.

**Standing Committee on Intergovernmental  
Affairs and Justice**

**Ms. Ross:** — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'm instructed by the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice to report this is a bilingual bill, Bill No. 146, *The Fee Waiver Consequential Amendments Act, 2014* without amendment.

**The Speaker:** — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole? I recognize the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that the bill now be read a third time.

**The Speaker:** — The Minister of Justice and Attorney General has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 146, *The Fee Waiver Consequential Amendments Act, 2014* and that the bill now be read the third time. Is leave granted?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

**THIRD READINGS**

**Bill No. 146 — *The Fee Waiver Consequential Amendments Act, 2014/Loi de 2014 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Fee Waiver Act***

**Hon. Mr. Wyant:** — Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be now read a third time and passed under its title.

**The Speaker:** — It has been moved by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General that Bill No. 146, *The Fee Waiver Consequential Amendments Act, 2014* be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Question.

**The Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried.

**Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:** — Third reading of this bill.

**The Speaker:** — Government orders. Orders of the day. I recognize the Government House Leader.

**Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:** — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. To facilitate the work of committees taking place later this afternoon, I move that this House do now adjourn.

**The Speaker:** — Sorry, I got a little bit in advance of myself there. Government orders, written questions, we should have gone to.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

**The Speaker:** — I recognize the Government Whip.

**Mr. Cox:** — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table the answers to questions 670 to 675.

**The Speaker:** — The Government Whip has tabled responses to questions 670 through 675.

Government orders. I recognize the Government House Leader.

**Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:** — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. To facilitate the work of committees taking place later this afternoon, I move that this House do now adjourn.

**The Speaker:** — The Government House Leader has moved that the House do now adjourn. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** — Agreed.

**The Speaker:** — Carried. This House stands adjourned to 1:30 p.m. tomorrow.

[The Assembly adjourned at 14:28.]





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