

No.8

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

### OF THE

#### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

#### PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

#### FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

#### Thursday, March 27, 2003

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, Wall, Brkich and Allchurch.

### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Deputy Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(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 steps to have Sask. Crop Insurance reverse the 2003 premium increases and restore affordable crop insurance premiums to our struggling farmers.

(Sessional Paper No. 18)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to commit its share of funding for a new regional hospital in Swift Current.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take the necessary steps to ensure current Crown land lessees maintain their first option to renew those leases.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 2 and 3, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Goulet, seconded by Ms. Hamilton:

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

# TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK 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.

The debate continuing the Speaker interrupted proceedings pursuant to Rule 14(4) and put the question, which was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

### YEAS - 30

Calvert	Addley	Crofford	Hagel
Lautermilch	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Osika	Lorjé	Kasperski
Goulet	Van Mulligen	Prebble	Belanger
Thomson	Junor	Nilson	Atkinson
Hamilton	Harper	Forbes	Jones
Higgins	Trew	Wartman	Yates
McCall	Iwanchuk		

## Nays - 24

Hermanson	Toth	Julé	Krawetz
Draude	Gantefoer	Bjornerud	Elhard
Wakefield	Stewart	Harpauer	Eagles
McMorris	D'Autremont	Wall	Huyghebaert
Dearborn	Brkich	Wiberg	Weekes
Lorenz	Hart	Allchurch	Hillson

### **ENGROSSMENT OF ADDRESS IN REPLY**

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are of the Executive Council.

### APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly, pursuant to Rule 92, hereby appoints the Committee of Finance to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty and to consider the Ways and Means of raising the Supply.

	Hon. P. Myron Kowals
The Assembly adjourned at 4:44 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.	
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.	
On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:	

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky Speaker

# **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 2, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) How many applicants were there for the 2002 Crop Forage Cover Program? (2) Further to that, how many of these applicants have not received their full funding from the program?

#### Answer:

- (1) 6,244 eligible applicants
- (2) 2 applicants, who did not provide all of the information required to process their application

# Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 3, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: (1) Does SPMC currently have plans or is it currently executing plans to close the major SPMC storage depot facility in Saskatoon? (2) If so, how many jobs will be lost? (3) Where will those services be relocated?

#### Answer:

- (1) No. SPMC leases a 1,004 m<sup>2</sup> warehouse facility. The lease for this facility expires April 30, 2003. SPMC no longer requires this leased facility as the program is being relocated to vacant space in a government owned building.
- (2) None.
- (3) The program will be relocated into 350 m<sup>2</sup> of vacant space in the Sturdy Stone, a government-owned building in Saskatoon.

# NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 5 and are to be answered by day no. 10:

Mr. Hillson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 5:

To the Minister of Health: Since tobacco taxes were raised in the 2002-2003 budget, what has been the percentage increase/decrease in: (1) Sales of taxable tobacco products? (2) Sales of non-taxable tobacco products?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 6:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) What were the terms of the sale of the fresh-pak potato plant at Lucky Lake to Pak-Wel Produce of Vauxhaul, Alberta? (2) When did the purchaser take full possession of the facility? (3) On what date did the deal close? (4) On what date was CIC paid in full for the facility?

### The following Question was given notice on day no. 6 and is to be answered by day no. 11:

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 7:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: How much money did the Province of Saskatchewan receive from the \$600 million transition fund announced by the federal government in 2002?

# The following Questions were given notice on day no. 7 and are to be answered by day no. 12:

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 8:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Pre-kindergarten programs receive in fiscal year 1998-1999?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 9:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Pre-kindergarten programs receive in fiscal year 1999-2000?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 10:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Pre-kindergarten programs receive in fiscal year 2000-2001?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 11:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Pre-kindergarten programs receive in fiscal year 2001-2002?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 12:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Pre-kindergarten programs receive in fiscal year 2002-2003?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 13:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What is the total amount of money deducted from 2002 farmer claims regarding the grasshopper control penalty? (2) Further to that, how many producers were assessed a penalty in 2002? (3) Also, what was the criteria for assessing grasshopper penalties in 2002 and were these grasshopper control penalties assessed to organic grain growers last year?

### The following Questions were given notice on day no. 8 and are to be answered by day no. 13:

Mr. Wiberg, to ask the Government the following Question No. 14:

To the Minister of the Environment: (1) Due to the dramatic increase of the elk herd in zone 50, will your department be increasing the number of bull and cow elk hunting licenses for the fall of 2003? (2) And, if so by how much?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 15:

To the Minister of Social Services: What is the department's policy in determining the amount of subsidization for families with children in licensed childcare centres?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 16:

To the Minister of Social Services: How much funding did Licensed Child Care Centres, that is Child Care Centres and Family Child Care Homes, receive in the form of either subsidies or grants in the fiscal year 1998-1999?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 17:

To the Minister of Social Services: How much funding did Licensed Child Care Centres, that is Child Care Centres and Family Child Care Homes, receive in the form of either subsidies or grants in the fiscal year 1999-2000?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 18:

To the Minister of Social Services: How much funding did Licensed Child Care Centres, that is Child Care Centres and Family Child Care Homes, receive in the form of either subsidies or grants in the fiscal year 2000-2001?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 19:

To the Minister of Social Services: How much funding did Licensed Child Care Centres, that is Child Care Centres and Family Child Care Homes, receive in the form of either subsidies or grants in the fiscal year 2001-2002?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 20:

To the Minister of Social Services: How much funding did Licensed Child Care Centres, that is Child Care Centres and Family Child Care Homes, receive in the form of either subsidies or grants in the fiscal year 2002-2003?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 21:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Kindergarten programs receive in the fiscal year 1998-1999?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 22:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Kindergarten programs receive in the fiscal year 1999-2000?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 23:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Kindergarten programs receive in the fiscal year 2000-2001?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 24:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Kindergarten programs receive in the fiscal year 2001-2002?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 25:

To the Minister of Learning: How much funding did Kindergarten programs receive in the fiscal year 2002-2003?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 26:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1992? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 27:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1993? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 28:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1994? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 29:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1995? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 30:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1996? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 31:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1997? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 32:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1998? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 33:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 1999? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 34:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 2000? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 35:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 2001? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 36:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) What was the final balance between revenues and expenses for Saskatchewan Crop Insurance in 2002? (2) Were any funds from Saskatchewan Crop Insurance transferred to the General Revenue Fund in this year?

## NOTICE REGARDING PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Rules 64 and 67 of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, that the time for filing Petitions for Private Bills with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly will expire on the twentieth sitting day, and that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills to the Legislative Assembly at its present Session will expire on the twenty-fifth sitting day of the said Session.

GWENN RONYK Clerk of the Legislative Assembly