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## VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

#### OF THE

#### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

#### PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

#### FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

#### Friday, March 28, 2003

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Elhard, Stewart, Wall, and Brkich.

#### 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 make the necessary repairs to Highway 42 in the Arm River Constituency in order to prevent injury or loss of life and to prevent the loss of economic opportunity in the area.

(Sessional Paper No. 19)

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 QUESTION

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 4, it was answered. (See Appendix)

#### TABLING OF ESTIMATES AND SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

The Hon. Mr. Melenchuk delivered a message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor which was read by the Speaker as follows:

March 28, 2003

The Lieutenant Governor transmits the Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending March 31, 2004 and Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for twelve months ending March 31, 2003 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK Lieutenant Governor

(Sessional Paper No. 20)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

Ordered, That Her Honour's Message, the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, be referred to the Committee of Finance.

#### MOTION TO RESOLVE INTO COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

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

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

Ordered, That debate on the motion "That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance" be resumed on Monday, March 31, 2003.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 11:34 a.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky Speaker

## **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

# Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 4, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wartman:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) What was the total amount of money spent towards the maintenance of highway 42 in 2002? (2) Further to that, did the department accept any liability for vehicle damage as a result of the condition of highway 42 in 2002? (3) If so, how much money was paid out?

#### Answer:

- (1) \$558,723
- (2) Yes
- (3) \$1,024.54

#### NOTICE OF MOTION FOR FIRST READING OF A BILL

On Tuesday:

Hon. Mr. Thomson to move First Reading of Bill No. 8 – The Youth Justice Administration Act

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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?

### The following Question was given notice on day no. 9 and is to be answered by day no. 14:

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 37:

To the Minister responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: (1) What is the policy for SaskPower regarding the policy for fighting fires caused by the failure of power transformers, power lines, power poles and related equipment? (2) Are these costs the responsibility of SaskPower where it is clear its equipment has caused the blaze? (3) Further to that, in 2002, how many claims were made against SaskPower and were the claims honoured?

#### 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