



No. 49

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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**Monday, June 2, 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, Stewart, Harpauer, Eagles, Dearborn, Weekes and Lorenz.

## 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 ensure current Crown land lessees maintain their first option to renew those leases.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take immediate action and make necessary repairs to Highway 47 South in order to avoid serious injury and property damage.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 13)

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.

(Addendum to 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 take necessary action to provide the people of Moose Jaw and district with a hemodialysis unit for their community.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 36)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to repair Highway 49 in order to address safety concerns and to facilitate economic growth in the area.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 41)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 43 in order to address safety concerns and to facilitate economic growth in rural Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 120)

#### **WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 569 and 570, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 571 to 609, pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) Nos. 303 to 341.

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

##### **Bill No. 39 – The Municipal Revenue Sharing Amendment Act, 2003**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 39 – The Municipal Revenue Sharing Amendment Act, 2003 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Lorenz, adjourned.

##### **Bill No. 30 – The Pawned Property (Recording) Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 30 – The Pawned Property (Recording) Act – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Huyghebaert, adjourned.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 26 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2003

Bill No. 21 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2003

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

**COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Saskatchewan Research Council.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Learning.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it continued consideration of Estimates for the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization.

The Committee then considered Estimates for Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 10:23 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

***Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky***  
***Speaker***

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 569, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:**

To the Premier: (1) Has Executive Council ordered any polling on the subject of crown corporations and crown investments (2) If so, will that poll be released to the public?

Answer:

- (1) No
- (2) N/A

**Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 570, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:**

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Has the Minister's department ordered any polling on the subject of crown corporations and crown investments? (2) If so, will that poll be released to the public?

Answer:

- (1) CIC commissioned two surveys in 2002 regarding customer perceptions and attitudes toward Crown corporations.
- (2) The results of the surveys will not be made public because they contain information that would be of interest and assistance to competitors.

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 46 and are to be answered by day no. 51:**

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 649:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2000, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher were filled by applicants from within the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 650:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2001, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher were filled by applicants from within the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 651:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2002, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher were filled by applicants from within the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 652:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2000, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher were filled by applicants from outside of the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 653:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2001, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher were filled by applicants from outside of the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 654:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2002, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher were filled by applicants from outside of the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 655:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2000, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher had the degree qualifications removed to accommodate employment equity candidates?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 656:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2001, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher had the degree qualifications removed to accommodate employment equity candidates?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 657:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2002, how many positions in the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher had the degree qualifications removed to accommodate employment equity candidates?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 658:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2000, how many applicants with disabilities were hired by the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher from outside of and within the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 659:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2001, how many applicants with disabilities were hired by the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher from outside of and within the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 660:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: In the year 2002, how many applicants with disabilities were hired by the public service at the Level 10 classification or higher from outside of and within the public service?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 661:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) Is Don Cody still the chairperson of the SGI board? (2) If so, what is Mr. Cody's salary? If not, does he have any other position with SGI? (3) If not, who is the current chairperson of the SGI board? What is this person's salary?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 662:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: (1) Following the 3-day meeting of the agriculture ministers in June of 2001, how often has the Saskatchewan Minister of Agriculture met with any or all other agriculture ministers to discuss the designing the Agriculture Policy Framework? (2) Where and when did these meetings take place? (3) Who travelled with the minister?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 663:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: During the 2002-2003 fiscal year, how many agreements were in place between the provincial government and private firms under the Transportation Partnership program? (2) What private companies were involved in these agreements and how much revenue did each agreement bring to the government?

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 664:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: During the 2001-2002 fiscal year, how many agreements were in place between the provincial government and private firms under the Transportation Partnership program? (2) What private companies were involved in these agreements and how much revenue did each agreement bring to the government?

Mr. Lorenz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 665:

To the Minister of the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation: (1) When a non-profit corporation submits a proposal to the Centenary Affordable Housing Program, who reviews that proposal and ultimately decides whether or not it will be accepted? (2) If it is a board or review panel that reviews these proposals, what are the names of people who sit on that board or review panel?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 666:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: Is CIC sending a representative to the Banff Television and Film Festival in June 2003 and if so for what purpose?

Mr. Hillson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 667:

To the Minister of Finance: For the year 1972, what were the percentages of GDP for the following sectors: (1) Agriculture, forestry and hunting? (2) Mining, oil and gas extraction? (3) Manufacturing? (4) Construction? (5) Transportation, warehousing and utilities? (6) Wholesale and retail trade? (7) Finance and insurance, real estate and renting and leasing? (8) Business services and industries? (9) Education, health care and social assistance industries? (10) Public administration? (11) Other service industries?

Mr. Hillson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 668:

To the Minister of Finance: For the year 1982, what were the percentages of GDP for the following sectors: (1) Agriculture, forestry and hunting? (2) Mining, oil and gas extraction? (3) Manufacturing? (4) Construction? (5) Transportation, warehousing and utilities? (6) Wholesale and retail trade? (7) Finance and insurance, real estate and renting and leasing? (8) Business services and industries? (9) Education, health care and social assistance industries? (10) Public administration? (11) Other service industries?

Mr. Hillson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 669:

To the Minister of Finance: For the year 1992, what were the percentages of GDP for the following sectors: (1) Agriculture, forestry and hunting? (2) Mining, oil and gas extraction? (3) Manufacturing? (4) Construction? (5) Transportation, warehousing and utilities? (6) Wholesale and retail trade? (7) Finance and insurance, real estate and renting and leasing? (8) Business services and industries? (9) Education, health care and social assistance industries? (10) Public administration? (11) Other service industries?

Mr. Hillson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 670:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: In 2003: (1) How many men were employed with the Public Service? (2) How many women were employed with the Public Service? (3) How many Aboriginal men were employed with the Public Service? (4) How many Aboriginal women were employed with the Public Service? (5) How many handicapped persons were employed with the Public Service? (6) What was the number and percentage of women in management positions with the Public Service? (7) What was the number and percentage of Aboriginal women in management positions with the Public Service? (8) What was the number of Aboriginal men in management positions with the Public Service? (9) What was the number of physically handicapped persons in management positions with the Public Service?

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 47 and are to be answered by day no. 52:**

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 671:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much money was Suer and Pollen awarded in the year 2002 for the Sound Stage and what specific work did this group do?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 672:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much money was Dominion Construction awarded in the year 2001 for the Sound Stage and what specific work did this group do?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 673:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much was spent on construction and related consulting for the Sound Stage in the year 2003?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 674:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much was spent on construction and related consulting for the Sound Stage in the year 2002?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 675:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much was spent on construction and related consulting for the Sound Stage in the year 2001?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 676:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much was spent on construction and related consulting for the Sound Stage in the year 2000?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 677:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much was spent on construction and related consulting for the Sound Stage in the year 1999?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 678:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: How much was spent on construction and related consulting for the Sound Stage in the year 1998?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 679:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: (1) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 7? (2) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 8? (3) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 9? (4) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 10? (5) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 11? (6) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 12A? (7) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 12B? (8) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Senior Executive Level 1? (9) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Senior Executive Level 2? (10) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Senior Executive Level 3? (11) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Senior Executive Level 4? (12) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Senior Executive Level 5?



Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 680:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: (1) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management Support Group 1? (2) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management Support Group 2? (3) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management Support Group 3? (4) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management Support Group 4? (5) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management Support Group 5? (6) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management Support Group 6? (7) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 1? (8) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 2? (9) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 3? (10) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 4? (11) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 5? (12) How many employees does the Government of Saskatchewan have in Management & Professional Level 6?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 681:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 682:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Community Resources and Employment, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 683:

To the Minister of Corrections and Public Safety: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Corrections and Public Safety, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 684:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 685:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 686:

To the Minister of the Environment: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Environment, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 687:

To the Minister of Executive Council: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Executive Council, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 688:

To the Minister of Finance: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Finance, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 689:

To the Minister of Health: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Health, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 690:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Highways and Transportation, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 691:

To the Minister of Government Relations: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Government Relations, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 692:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Industry and Resources, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 693:

To the Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 694:

To the Minister of Justice: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Justice, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 695:

To the Minister of Labour: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Labour, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 696:

To the Minister of Learning: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Learning, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 697:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Northern Affairs, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 698:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: What are the names of the people currently employed in the office of the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation, and for each person, what is their title, and what is their annual salary?

Mr. Krawetz, to ask the Government the following Question No. 699:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What was the number of personal income tax returns filed in Saskatchewan for Tax Year 2000 with Total Taxable Incomes in excess of \$500,000? (2) What was the combined Total Taxable Income Assessed for this group?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 700:

To the Minister of the Environment: (1) What is the government policy concerning the recycling industry purchasing burnt copper wire? (2) Can the Minister please provide the directive that has been given to the industry relating to this?

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 48 and are to be answered by day no. 53:**

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 701:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Currently, how many provincial court judges are there in Saskatchewan, who are they, and where is each assigned? (2) Who is the provincial court judge or judges currently assigned to Weyburn?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 702:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) For the year 2002, how many provincial court judges were in Saskatchewan, who were they, and where was each assigned? (2) In that year, who was or were the provincial court judges assigned to Weyburn?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 703:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) For the year 2001, how many provincial court judges were in Saskatchewan, who were they, and where was each assigned? (2) In that year, who was or were the provincial court judges assigned to Weyburn?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 704:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) For the year 2000, how many provincial court judges were in Saskatchewan, who were they, and where was each assigned? (2) In that year, who was or were the provincial court judges assigned to Weyburn?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 705:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) For the year 1999, how many provincial court judges were in Saskatchewan, who were they, and where was each assigned? (2) In that year, who was or were the provincial court judges assigned to Weyburn?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 706:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) For the year 1998, how many provincial court judges were in Saskatchewan, who were they, and where was each assigned? (2) In that year, who was or were the provincial court judges assigned to Weyburn?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 707:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) For the year 1997, how many provincial court judges were in Saskatchewan, who were they, and where was each assigned? (2) In that year, who was or were the provincial court judges assigned to Weyburn?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 708:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) For the year 1996, how many provincial court judges were in Saskatchewan, who were they, and where was each assigned? (2) In that year, who was or were the provincial court judges assigned to Weyburn?

**The following Question was given notice on day no. 49 and is to be answered by day no. 54:**

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 709:

To the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization: (1) How many applications have been received by the department under the Farm Family Opportunities Initiative Program announced on March 27, 2002? (2) How many of these applications have been approved?