



No. 115

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

**FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE**

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**Tuesday, May 24, 2005**

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, Draude, Hermanson, Cheveldayoff, Brkich, Weekes and Hart.

## **READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS**

According to Order, the Deputy Clerk informed the Assembly that on May 17, 2005, a certain petition concerning shared parenting legislation was presented. Pursuant to Rule 14(7) the petition was found to be irregular and therefore was not read and received.

According to Order, the Deputy Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 14(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 reverse the increase in Crop Insurance Premiums and the reduction in coverage.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 72)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to reverse the decision to force the amalgamation of school divisions in Saskatchewan and continue re-organization of school divisions on a strictly voluntary basis.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 637)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately address the concerns of all individuals affected by the TransGas Asquith Natural Gas Storage Project, pay 100% of the costs involved to rectify disruptions to water supplies, produce an environment assessment study encompassing a larger area outside the scope of the project, disclose the project's long term effects on these areas and consider alternative sources of water for the project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 640)

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 32 in order to address safety and economic concerns.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 666)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide the funding required for additional residential spaces for Swift Current residents with lifelong disabilities.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 715)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to implement an allocation of financial resources to build an elementary school in Arbor Creek.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 716)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to implement the minimum compensation recommendations for staff members who support people with disabilities as outlined in SARC's human resources plan.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 798)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure that Highway 51 is rebuilt to go through the town of Kerrobert.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 808)

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES  
RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES SOCIÉTÉS D'ÉTAT ET DES ORGANISMES CENTRAUX**

The following Bills were reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, they were read the third time and passed:

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier, sont lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 96 - The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, 2005

Bill No. 97 - The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Consequential Amendment Act, 2005  
Projet de loi n° 97 - Loi de 2005 sur une modification corrélative découlant de la loi intitulée The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, 2005

Bill No. 67 - The Alcohol and Gaming Amendment act, 2004

Projet de loi n° 67 - Loi de 2004 modifiant la Loi de 1997 sur la réglementation des boissons alcoolisées et des jeux de hasard

Bill No. 124 - The Automobile Accident Insurance Amendment Act, 2005

Mr. Addley, Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies presented the Third Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee considered the Estimates of the following Government departments and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

**Main Estimates, 2005-2006:**

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2006, the following sums:

For Information Technology Office .....	\$4,587,000
For Public Service Commission .....	\$8,620,000
For Property Management .....	\$34,469,000

**Supplementary Estimates, 2004-2005:**

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2005 the following sums:

For Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation .....	\$7,000,000
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Your Committee recommends that upon concurrence of its report by the Assembly, the sums as reported and approved shall be included in the Appropriation Bill for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

(Sessional Paper No. 816)

On motion of Mr. Addley, seconded by the Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies be now concurred in.

Mr. Addley, Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee:

(Sessional Paper No. 817)

On motion of Mr. Addley, seconded by the Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That the Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies be now concurred in.

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES SERVICES À LA PERSONNE**

The following Bills were reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, they were read the third time and passed:

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier, sont lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 116 - The Osteopathic Practice Repeal Act

Bill No. 108 – The Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2005

Bill No. 113 - The Non-profit Corporations Amendment Act, 2005

Projet de loi n°. 113 - Loi de 2005 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les sociétés sans but lucratif

Bill No. 112 - The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2005

Bill No. 111 - The Small Claims Amendment Act, 2005

Projet de loi n°. 111 - Loi de 2005 modifiant la Loi de 1997 sur les petites créances

Bill No. 102 - The Mandatory Testing and Disclosure (Bodily Substances) Act

Bill No. 110 - The Seizure of Criminal Property Act

Bill No. 109 - The Criminal Enterprise Suppression Act

Bill No. 100 - The Police Amendment Act, 2005

Bill No. 119 - The Election Amendment Act, 2005

**WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1271 to 1278, they were answered. (See Appendix)

**ADJOURNED DEBATES**

**Bill No. 118 – The Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Act, 2005**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Forbes: That Bill No. 118 – The Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Act, 2005 - be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, the said Bill was accordingly read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Forbes:

Ordered, That Bill No. 118 – The Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Act, 2005 – be now referred to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

**Bill No. 123 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection Amendment Act, 2005**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Forbes: That Bill No. 123 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection Amendment Act, 2005 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, the said Bill was accordingly read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Forbes:

Ordered, That Bill No. 123 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection Amendment Act, 2005 – be now referred to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 2:42 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

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

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**RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED**

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Quennell:

Amendment to the Bylaws of the following Professional Association:  
College of Physicians and Surgeons

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 62)

By the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

Payee List for Clarence Campeau Development Fund for the year ended December 31, 2004.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 809)

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 1271, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wartman:**

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What will be the cost of issuing the *Food and Farm Report* for 2005?

Answer:

The estimated cost of issuing the *Food and Farm Report* in 2005, including both development and printing costs, is approximately \$32,480.00.

**Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 1272, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wartman:**

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What was the cost of issuing the *Food and Farm Report* for 2004?

Answer:

The costs of issuing the *Farm and Food Report* in 2004, including both development and printing costs, was \$43,844.52.

**Mr. Kerpan asked the Government Question No. 1273, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:**

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: How many tickets has SaskTel purchased for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at Credit Union Place in Saskatoon?

Answer:

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**Mr. Kerpan asked the Government Question No. 1274, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Quennell:**

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How many tickets has SaskPower purchased for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at Credit Union Place in Saskatoon?

Answer:

SaskPower has not purchased any tickets for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005.

**Mr. Kerpan asked the Government Question No. 1275, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:**

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: How many tickets has SaskEnergy purchased for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at Credit Union Place in Saskatoon?

Answer:

Four (4) tickets.

**Mr. Kerpan asked the Government Question No. 1276, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Management Board: How many tickets has Crown Investments Corporation purchased for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at Credit Union Place in Saskatoon?

Answer:

CIC has not purchased any tickets for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at Credit Union Place in Saskatoon.

**Mr. Kerpan asked the Government Question No. 1277, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:**

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: How many tickets has Investment Saskatchewan purchased for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at Credit Union Place in Saskatoon?

Answer:

Investment Saskatchewan sponsored the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala in the amount of \$50,000. A total of 50 tickets were included in that sponsorship which will be used for business development and customer appreciation.

**Ms. Kerpan asked the Government Question No. 1278, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:**

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: How many tickets has Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority purchased for the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at Credit Union Place in Saskatoon?

Answer:

Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority has not and will not be purchasing tickets to the Lieutenant Governor's Centennial Gala on May 19, 2005 at the Credit Union Place in Saskatoon.

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following Questions were asked on day no. 112 and are to be answered by day no. 117:**

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1280:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Judges of the Provincial Court Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1281:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Navigata Communications Inc. Pension Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1282:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Saskatchewan Power Corporation Supplementary Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1283:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Liquor Board Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1284:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Public Service Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1285:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: How much money has the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan, Eastern Region II based in Archerwill, received from the government and for what programming?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1286:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: How much money has the Mutual Equity, Trade and Investment Inc. received from the government and for what programming?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1287:

To the Premier: Is Executive Council and/or any department in the government of Saskatchewan purchasing tickets or receiving free tickets to the Centennial Gala celebration on May 19?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1288:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Anti-TB League Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1289:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Workers' Compensation Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1290:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1291:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the STC Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1292:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the Power Corporation Superannuation Plan indexed to inflation?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1293:

To the Minister of Finance: Is the SaskTel Pension Plan indexed to inflation?

**The following Questions were asked on day no. 113 and are to be answered by day no. 118:**

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1294:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: What are the funding commitments that North West Communities Wood Products must meet to obtain provincial grants or other funding?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1295:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Who was the government-appointed board member of North West Communities Wood Products in 1999?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1296:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Who was the government-appointed board member of North West Communities Wood Products in 2000?



Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1297:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Who was the government-appointed board member of North West Communities Wood Products in 2001?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1298:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Who was the government-appointed board member of North West Communities Wood Products in 2002?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1299:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Who was the government-appointed board member of North West Communities Wood Products in 2003?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1300:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Who was the government-appointed board member of North West Communities Wood Products in 2004?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1301:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Who was the government-appointed board member of North West Communities Wood Products in 2005?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1302:

To the Minister of Rural Development: (1) How many recommendations has the government implemented from the first ACRE report? (2) Which recommendations have not been acted upon?

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1303:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: (1) How many dollars will The Family Place in Weyburn receive for their Mini-Go School under the Early Learning and Care Initiative? (2) When will The Family Place receive the dollars allocated from the above program?

Mr. Merriman, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1304:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: What is the province's policy on inter-country adoption of children that are not sibling pairings?