



No. 19

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Friday, April 16, 2004

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, Hermanson, Huyghebaert, Brkich, Weekes and Trew.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 take the necessary steps to ensure current Crown land lessees maintain their first option to renew those leases.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 48)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure that the Davidson and Imperial Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 63)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to fund the Unity and District Seniors Lodge Project to ensure that citizens of Unity and District remain in the community for this necessary service that will bridge the gap between independent living and long term care.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

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. 69)

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)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 27 – The Political Contributions Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2004

(Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen)

Bill No. 28 – The Public Employees Pension Plan Amendment Act, 2004

(Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen)

Bill No. 29 – The Snowmobile Amendment Act, 2004

(Hon. Mr. Sonntag)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 167, it was answered. (See Appendix)

MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

The Order of the Day being called for a Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Ms. Junor, seconded by Mr. Iwanchuk:

That this Assembly recognize the government's on-going commitment to high quality health care and that the investment of an additional \$160M to a record \$2.7B to continue with initiatives in the Action Plan for Saskatchewan Health Care will further distinguish Saskatchewan as a national leader in health care.

A debate arising, and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired pursuant to Rule 19(5), the Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings.

SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 201 – The Whistleblower Protection Act

Moved by Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 201 – The Whistleblower Protection Act – be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:49 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky
Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 167, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: When will the section of highway 15 from the junction of #20 east to the junction of #6 be resurfaced or re-paved?

Answer:

- (1) Highway 15 from Semans to the junction of Highway 6 is a granular pavement in good condition, so there are no immediate plans for resurfacing or repaving at this time.

The department has entered into a partnership with local municipalities to upgrade Highway 15 from the junction of Highway 20 to Semans within the next four to six years. The delivery schedule is flexible and will be dependant on available funding in any given year.

For 2004-05, 9.6 km of Highway 15 from Semans to 9.6 km west is being graded. Further work planned for 2005 involves either completion of the grading to Highway 20 or surfacing of the grading completed in 2004. The department will be finalizing these plans with the municipal partners this summer. The focus remains to complete surfacing this link within the timeframe outlined in the partnership agreement.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS AVIS DE MOTION PORTANT PREMIÈRE LECTURE DE PROJETS DE LOI

On Tuesday / mardi:

Hon. Mr. Quennell to move First Reading of Bill No. 32 – The Powers of Attorney Amendment Act, 2004

L'hon. M. Quennell proposera la première lecture du Projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2004 modifiant la Loi de 2002 sur les procurations

Hon. Ms. Beatty to move First Reading of Bill No. 33 – The Archives Act, 2004

Hon. Mr. Nilson to move First Reading of Bill No. 34 – The Psychologists Amendment Act, 2004

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 16 and are to be answered by day no. 21:

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 172:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What will be the anticipated costs to change the names of all hospitals in the Heartland Health Region? (2) Is it expected to occur in this fiscal year?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 173:

To the Minister of Justice: For fiscal year 2001, what was the total number of transfers done by Spectrum Transfer Company in the Regina area?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 174:

To the Minister of Justice: For fiscal year 2002, what was the total number of transfers done by Spectrum Transfer Company in the Regina area?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 175:

To the Minister of Justice: For fiscal year 2003, what was the total number of transfers done by Spectrum Transfer Company in the Regina area?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 176:

To the Minister of Justice: For fiscal year 2003, what was the fee paid by the Coroner's office to Spectrum Transfer Company, per transfer in the Regina area?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 17 and are to be answered by day no. 22:

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 177:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Services Corporation: (1) How many lawyers are employed by ISC? (2) Under the old Land Titles system, how many lawyers were employed?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 178:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Services Corporation: (1) How many people are employed full- and part-time at ISC as of April 1, 2004? (2) How many were employed full- and part-time at ISC as of December 31, 2003?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 18 and are to be answered by day no. 23:

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 179:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: In 2003-04, what was the net revenue from VLTs placed in businesses in each of the categories used by SLGA for beer purchase discounts?

Mr. D'Autremont, to ask the Government the following Question No. 180:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) In the fiscal year 2003-04, what was the total amount of discount in each discount category for beer purchases made by Saskatchewan businesses? (2) How many individual businesses received discounts in each category?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 181:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Kelsey Trail Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 182:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Heartland Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 183:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Saskatoon Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 184:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Sunrise Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 185:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Regina Qu'Appelle Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 186:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Cypress Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 187:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Five Hills Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 188:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Sun Country Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 189:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Athabasca Health Authority Inc. pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 190:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Keewatin Yatthe Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 191:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Mamawetan Churchill River Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 192:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Prairie North Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 193:

To the Minister of Health: How much money did the Prince Albert Parkland Regional Health Authority pay in PST during the fiscal year of 2002-2003?

NOTICE REGARDING PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Rules 75 and 78 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

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF BILLS

Bills that have been introduced are listed alphabetically along with the Bill number. To find what stage a Bill is at, refer to the Progress of Bills chart.

TITLE	DATE CONSIDERED	BILL NO.
Administration of Estates Amendment Act, 2004 / Loi de 2004 modifiant la Loi sur l'administration des successions	March 25, April 15, 2004	10
Adoption Amendment Act, 2004 / Loi de 2004 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur l'adoption	April 15, 2004	25
Adoption Consequential Amendment Act, 2004	April 15, 2004	26
Appropriation Act, 2004 (No. 1)	April 2, 2004	18
Automobile Accident Insurance Amendment Act, 2004	March 24, April 15, 2004	7
Certified Management Consultants Amendment Act, 2004	March 24, April 14, 2004	3
Department of Energy and Mines Amendment Act, 2004	April 1, 2004	17
Department of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training Amendment Act, 2004	March 25, April 15, 2004	11
Electrical Inspection Amendment Act, 2004	March 25, April 15, 2004	9
Financial Administration Amendment Act, 2004	March 24, April 14, 2004	1
Gas Inspection Amendment Act, 2004	March 25, April 15, 2004	8
Geographic Names Board Amendment Act, 2004	April 1, 2004	16
Labour-sponsored Venture Capital Corporations Amendment Act, 2004	March 29, 2004	13
Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2004	April 8, 2004	20
Land Titles Amendment Act, 2004	April 8, 2004	19
Municipal Employees' Pension Amendment Act, 2004	March 24, April 14, 2004	4
Political Contributions Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2004	April 16, 2004	27
Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2004	March 24, April 14, 2004	2
Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2004	April 15, 2004	24
Public Employees Pension Plan Amendment Act, 2004	April 16, 2004	28
Purchasing Act, 2004	March 29, 2004	12
Regional Parks Amendment Act, 2004	April 15, 2004	23
Saskatchewan Association of School Business Officials Act, 2004	April 8, 2004	21
Saskatchewan Farm Security Amendment Act, 2004	April 14, 2004	22
Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund Amendment Act, 2004	March 24, April 14, 2004	5
Snowmobile Amendment Act, 2004	April 15, 2004	29
Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2004	March 24, April 14, 2004	6
Whistleblower Protection Act	April 5, April 16, 2004	201
Workers' Compensation Board Pension Implementation Act	April 1, 2004	15

PROGRESS OF BILLS**TO Wednesday, April 14, 2004****Bill comes into force on:**

A—Assent P—Proclamation

SD—Specific Date

SE—Specific Event

Committees:

CF: Committee of Finance

CW: Committee of the Whole

HOS: House Services

IAI: Intergovernmental Affairs and Infrastructure

CCA: Crown and Central Agencies

HUS: Human Services

PBC: Private Bills

ECO: Economy

GOVERNMENT BILLS

No.	Title	Member	1st Reading	Crown Recomm.	Comm.	2nd Reading	Comm.	Amdt.	3rd Reading	Royal Assent	In Effect
1	The Financial Administration Amendment Act, 2004	Van Mulligen	March 24/04	April 14/04							
2	The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2004	Quennell	March 24/04	April 14/04							
3	The Certified Management Consultants Amendment Act, 2004	Van Mulligen	March 24/04								
4	The Municipal Employees' Pension Amendment Act, 2004	Van Mulligen	March 24/04	April 14/04							
5	The Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund Amendment Act, 2004	Van Mulligen	March 24/04	April 14/04							
6	The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2004	Van Mulligen	March 24/04	April 14/04							
7	The Automobile Accident Insurance Amendment Act, 2004	Sonntag	March 24/04	April 15/04							
8	The Gas Inspection Amendment Act, 2004	Quennell	March 26/04								
9	The Electrical Inspection Amendment Act, 2004	Quennell	March 26/04								
10	The Administration of Estates Amendment Act, 2004 / Loi de 2004 modifiant la Loi sur l'administration des successions	Quennell	March 26/04								
11	The Department of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training Amendment Act, 2004	Thomson	March 26/04	April 15/04							
12	The Purchasing Act, 2004	Higgins	March 29/04								
13	The Labour-sponsored Venture Capital Corporations Amendment Act, 2004	Cline	March 29/04								

GOVERNMENT BILLS (continued)

No.	Title	Member	1st Reading	Crown Recomm.	Comm.	2nd Reading	Comm.	Amdt.	3rd Reading	Royal Assent	In Effect
15	The Workers' Compensation Board Pension Implementation Act	Higgins	April 1/04								
16	The Geographic Names Board Amendment Act, 2004	Cline	April 1/04								
17	The Department of Energy and Mines Amendment Act, 2004	Cline	April 1/04								
18	The Appropriation Act, 2004 (No. 1)	Van Mulligen	April 2/04			April 2/04	CF April 2/04		April 2/04	April 2/04	A
19	The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2004	Cline	April 8/04								
20	The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2004	Cline	April 8/04								
21	The Saskatchewan Association of School Business Officials Act, 2004	Thomson	April 8/04								
22	The Saskatchewan Farm Security Amendment Act, 2004	Wartman	April 14/04								
23	The Regional Parks Amendment Act, 2004	Forbes	April 15/04								
24	The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2004	Quennell	April 15/04								
25	The Adoption Amendment Act, 2004 / Loi de 2004 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur l'adoption	Crofford	April 15/04								
26	The Adoption Consequential Amendment Act, 2004	Crofford	April 15/04								
27	The Political Contributions Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2004	Van Mulligen	April 16/04								
28	The Public Employees Pension Plan Amendment Act, 2004	Van Mulligen	April 16/04								
29	The Snowmobile Amendment Act, 2004	Sonntag	April 16/04								

PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

No.	Title	Member	1st Reading	Crown Recomm.	Comm.	2nd Reading	Comm.	Amdt.	3rd Reading	Royal Assent	In Effect
201	The Whistleblower Protection Act	Morgan	April 5/04								