

No. 86

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

## OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

## FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, April 6, 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, Stewart, Eagles, Bakken, Brkich, Weekes and Dearborn.

#### **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 reconsider the decision to reduce funding to the Claybank Brick Plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 180)

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 implement a strategy that will deal with crystal methamphetamine education, prevention, enforcement and treatment.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 720)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to install the technical equipment necessary to ensure that all rural areas of Saskatchewan are protected by reliable cellular phone coverage.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 730)

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 926, pursuant to Rule 46(1), the answer was Tabled and, by reason of length, converted by the Clerk to Return No. 338.

(Sessional Paper No. 735)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:29 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky Speaker

#### **RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED**

The following papers were laid upon the table:

By the Hon. Mr. Taylor:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board for the year ended December 31, 2004

(Sessional Paper No. 732)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency for the year ended December 31, 2004

(Sessional Paper No. 733)

Public Accounts of the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency for the year ended December 31, 2004

(Sessional Paper No. 734)

# NOTICE OF MOTION FOR SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Friday:

Mr. Kerpan to move the following motion:

That this Assembly urge the Government to maintain the Fleet Net System until a viable, comprehensive, province-wide alternative system can be developed in conjunction with all stakeholders.

## NOTICE OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

On Friday:

Mr. McCall to move the following motion:

That this Assembly recognize the Government's ongoing commitment to ensuring that young people have every opportunity to succeed and prosper here in Saskatchewan.

# **NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS**

#### No. 1 (Government)

Mr. McCall to move the following motion: That this Assembly recognize the Government's ongoing commitment to ensuring that young people have every opportunity to succeed and prosper here in Saskatchewan.

#### No. 2 (Opposition)

Mr. Huyghebaert to move the following motion: That due to the lack of its competence and vision, this Government no longer enjoys the confidence of the Legislative Assembly.

#### No. 3 (Opposition)

Bill No. 201 - The Whistleblower Protection Act

(Mr. Yates) Adjourned Once

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

On Friday:

Hon. Mr. Taylor to move First Reading of Bill No. 104 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2005

Hon. Mr. Taylor to move First Reading of Bill No. 105 – The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2005

# **NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

### The following Questions were asked on day no. 83 and are to be answered by day no. 88:

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 947:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) Of the 57 km of road improvements to be done under forestry commitments, what is the cost per kilometre? (2) What is/are the location(s) of these kilometres of highway improvement? (3) How often are these Road Transportation Agreements under forestry commitments renegotiated? (4) What is the length of time that these agreements will exist?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 948:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Were any facilities run by CBOs that provided addiction services closed in 2000? If so, please provide the name(s). (2) Have addictions programs previously provided by facilities closed in 2000 been cancelled? If so, please provide the name(s). (3) Are any addictions programs previously facilitated by CBOs that closed in 2000 now being provided by Regional Health Authorities? If so, please provide the name(s).

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 949:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Were any facilities run by CBOs that provided addiction services closed in 2001? If so, please provide the name(s). (2) Have addictions programs previously provided by facilities closed in 2001 been cancelled? If so, please provide the name(s). (3) Are any addictions programs previously facilitated by CBOs that closed in 2001 now being provided by Regional Health Authorities? If so, please provide the name(s).

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 950:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Were any facilities run by CBOs that provided addiction services closed in 2002? If so, please provide the name(s). (2) Have addictions programs previously provided by facilities closed in 2002 been cancelled? If so, please provide the name(s). (3) Are any addictions programs previously facilitated by CBOs that closed in 2002 now being provided by Regional Health Authorities? If so, please provide the name(s).

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 951:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Were any facilities run by CBOs that provided addiction services closed in 2003? If so, please provide the name(s). (2) Have addictions programs previously provided by facilities closed in 2003 been cancelled? If so, please provide the name(s). (3) Are any addictions programs previously facilitated by CBOs that closed in 2003 now being provided by Regional Health Authorities? If so, please provide the name(s).

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 952:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Were any facilities run by CBOs that provided addiction services closed in 2004? If so, please provide the name(s). (2) Have addictions programs previously provided by facilities closed in 2004 been cancelled? If so, please provide the name(s). (3) Are any addictions programs previously facilitated by CBOs that closed in 2004 now being provided by Regional Health Authorities? If so, please provide the name(s).

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 953:

To the Minister of Health: Please provide a detailed breakdown of how funding for gambling addiction programs and services is spent.

#### The following Questions were asked on day no. 84 and are to be answered by day no. 89:

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 954:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) How many new egg production units were allocated to Saskatchewan in 2004? (2) How many of those new egg production units were sold to existing registered egg producers? When were they issued? (3) Of the new egg production units that were sold to registered egg producers, what amount of money was collected? (4) Of the remaining new egg production units that were not sold to existing registered egg producers, how many have been allocated to new producers? (5) When an egg production unit is sold, where does the money go? (6) What policies or guidelines are in place regarding the spending of the funds generated from the sale of egg production units? (7) If a public auction of egg production units is held, what happens to the units that do not receive bids? (8) When was the last time that an egg production unit was offered to a new producer who had his name on the Saskatchewan Egg Producers Marketing Board waiting list?

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Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 956:

To the Minister of Justice: How much were police services or crown prosecutors charged by SaskTel for wiretaps in 1997?

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Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 962:

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Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 963:

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Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 964:

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Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 970:

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Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 971:

To the Minister of Justice: How much did SaskTel charge the Regina and Saskatoon police services for wiretaps in 2004?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 972:

To the Minister of Health: What steps is the Department of Health taking to provide hantavirus vaccines and raise public awareness of the deer mice infestation in the Heartland Health Authority?

#### The following Questions were asked on day no. 85 and are to be answered by day no. 90:

Mr. Chisholm, to ask the Government the following Question No. 973:

To the Minister of Learning: (1) Are the former offices of Saskatchewan Learning presently occupied? If so, by whom? (2) Was the asbestos problem addressed prior to the new tenant's occupancy?

Mr. Chisholm, to ask the Government the following Question No. 974:

To the Minister of Learning: What was the total cost, to date, of moving Saskatchewan Learning to its new facilities?

Mr. Hermanson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 975:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What steps are you taking to control the outbreak of an unprecedented deer mouse infestation in west central Saskatchewan that threatens to destroy crops to an even larger extent than last year and which also worries residents about contact with the deadly hantavirus associated with deer mice?

#### The following Questions were asked on day no. 86 and are to be answered by day no. 91:

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 976:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the total cost to build Tatagwa View in Weyburn? (2) What are the details of how the funding was spent?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 977:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many long term care beds are in Tatagwa View in Weyburn? (2) How many beds are there in Tatagwa View for patients requiring mental health services? (3) How many beds are there for palliative care? (4) How many beds are there for respite care?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 978:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many permanent full-time staff members are employed at Tatagwa View in Weyburn and what is the breakdown with respect to job descriptions, categories or classifications? (2) How many part-time staff are employed and what is the breakdown with respect to job descriptions, categories or classifications?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 979:

To the Minister of Rural Development: (1) How many positions are in this new Department? (2) How many of these positions are new? (3) How many people will be hired by the Department to December 31, 2005?

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