



No. 96

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Thursday, April 21, 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, Eagles, Bakken, Cheveldayoff, Brkich, Weekes, Dearborn and Hart.

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 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 necessary action to hold an independent judicial inquiry into the Spudco scandal.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 647)

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

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 720)

INTRODUCTION OF BILL

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

Bill No. 205 – The Water Quality Recognition Day Act

(Mr. Brkich)

WRITTEN QUESTION

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 997, it was answered. (See Appendix)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:21 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Quennell:

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for Saskatchewan Power Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2004.

(Sessional Paper No. 764)

Financial Statements for Power Greenhouses Inc. (SaskPower Shand Greenhouse) for the year ended December 31, 2004.

(Sessional Paper No. 765)

Financial Statements for SaskPower International Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2004.

(Sessional Paper No. 766)

Financial Statements for NorthPoint Energy Solutions Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2004.

(Sessional Paper No. 767)

Annual Report and Financial Statements for Power Corporation Superannuation Plan for the year ended December 31, 2004.

(Sessional Paper No. 768)

Annual Report for Saskatchewan Public and Private Rights Board for the year ended December 31, 2003.

(Sessional Paper No. 769)

Report of *Crown Administration of Estates Act* dated March 14, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 770)

Report of *The Penalties and Forfeitures Act* dated March 22, 2005.

(Sessional Paper No. 771)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 997, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Rural Development: Can the Minister provide the expected date of release for the next ACRE report?

Answer:

The Action Committee on the Rural Economy is expected to submit its report to the Government of Saskatchewan in May, 2005.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were asked on day no. 93 and are to be answered by day no. 98:

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1002:

To the Minister of Property Management: Can you provide details as to the criteria used in the tendering process for contracts concerning the service of SPMC vehicles?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1003:

To the Minister of Health: Is the government planning to close Valley View Centre in Moose Jaw over the next three to five years?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1004:

To the Minister of Health: Do government employees have access to any designated smoking rooms in buildings that house government departments, Crowns, agencies, boards or commissions, including Workers' Compensation Board, Casino Regina and government-owned property leased to third parties?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1005:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) How many trade missions did the government conduct in 1999? (2) Where did these missions take place? (3) How much did each trade mission cost? (4) How many businesses have re-located to Saskatchewan as a result of these missions? (5) How many jobs have been created in Saskatchewan as a result of these trade missions?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1006:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) How many trade missions did the government conduct in 2000? (2) Where did these missions take place? (3) How much did each trade mission cost? (4) How many businesses have re-located to Saskatchewan as a result of these missions? (5) How many jobs have been created in Saskatchewan as a result of these trade missions?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1007:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) How many trade missions did the government conduct in 2001? (2) Where did these missions take place? (3) How much did each trade mission cost? (4) How many businesses have re-located to Saskatchewan as a result of these missions? (5) How many jobs have been created in Saskatchewan as a result of these trade missions?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1008:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) How many trade missions did the government conduct in 2002? (2) Where did these missions take place? (3) How much did each trade mission cost? (4) How many businesses have re-located to Saskatchewan as a result of these missions? (5) How many jobs have been created in Saskatchewan as a result of these trade missions?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1009:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) How many trade missions did the government conduct in 2003? (2) Where did these missions take place? (3) How much did each trade mission cost? (4) How many businesses have re-located to Saskatchewan as a result of these missions? (5) How many jobs have been created in Saskatchewan as a result of these trade missions?

Ms. Bakken, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1010:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) How many trade missions did the government conduct in 2004? (2) Where did these missions take place? (3) How much did each trade mission cost? (4) How many businesses have re-located to Saskatchewan as a result of these missions? (5) How many jobs have been created in Saskatchewan as a result of these trade missions?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1011:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) What was the amount spent on advertising the “Future is Wide Open” campaign in the province of Quebec for the year 2002? (2) Which advertising agency was employed for these purposes?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1012:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) What was the amount spent on advertising the “Future is Wide Open” campaign in the province of Quebec for the year 2003? (2) Which advertising agency was employed for these purposes?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1013:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) What was the amount spent on advertising the “Future is Wide Open” campaign in the province of Quebec for the year 2004? (2) Which advertising agency was employed for these purposes?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1014:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: (1) What was the amount spent on advertising the “Future is Wide Open” campaign in the province of Quebec for the year 2005 to date? (2) Which advertising agency was employed for these purposes?

The following Question was asked on day no. 94 and is to be answered by day no. 99:

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1015:

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (1) What was the total number of applications received for the fiscal year 2004-2005? (2) How many of these applicants received approval?

The following Questions were asked on day no. 96 and are to be answered by day no. 101:

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1016:

To the Minister of Learning: What is the total cost to the University of Regina for each student per year, per faculty?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1017:

To the Minister of Learning: What is the total tuition cost that students pay for full time enrolment in each faculty per annum at the University of Regina?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1018:

To the Minister of Learning: What is the total cost that foreign students pay for full time enrolment in each faculty per annum at the University of Regina?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1019:

To the Minister of Learning: How many foreign students were enrolled in each semester, in each faculty at the University of Regina in the year 2004?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1020:

To the Minister of Learning: How many foreign students were enrolled in each semester, in each faculty at the University of Regina in the year 2003?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1021:

To the Minister of Learning: How many foreign students were enrolled in each semester, in each faculty at the University of Regina in the year 2002?