

No. 12

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

SECOND SESSION - TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Thursday, November 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, Draude, Harpauer, Brkich, Weekes, Morgan and Kirsch.

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 provide reliable cellular telephone service in the regions encompassed in the constituency of Biggar.

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take all necessary actions to install the technical equipment necessary to ensure that residents along Highway 19 and the Outlook area in Saskatchewan are protected by reliable cellular phone coverage.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take all necessary action to upgrade and widen Highway 5 from Humboldt to Saskatoon.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 7)

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 368 in order to address safety and economic concern.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 26)

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. 20 – The Collective Bargaining Agreement Expiry Date Exception Act	(Hon. Ms. Higgins)
On motion of the Hon. Mr. Taylor:	
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.	

The Assembly adjourned at 2:49 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

By the Hon. Mr. Quennell:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations: Association of Professional Community Planners of Saskatchewan Saskatchewan Ophthalmic Dispensers Association

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 11)

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Question was given notice on day no. 9 and is to be answered by day no. 14:

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 554:

To the Minister Responsible for the Workers' Compensation Board: Does the WCB set its own rates on probable deductions of claimants?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 10 and are to be answered by day no. 15:

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 555:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Is the police investigation into the misappropriation of funds at MACSI complete? (2) What, if any charges have been laid, and against whom? (3) Have the funds that were misappropriated been recovered? (4) If so, on what date? (5) How much has been recovered? (6) Who repaid the funds?

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 556:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: (1) At any time, did DCRE employee Grant Matheson have any supervisory or management status over DCRE employee Evelyn Hynes? (2) Did he approve any of her payments to social service clients?

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 557:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: (1) Was DCRE employee Grant Matheson placed on leave with pay at any time during his employment with the Government of Saskatchewan? (2) If so, why?

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 558:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: (1) If DCRE employee Grant Matheson was placed on leave with pay at any time during his employment with the Government of Saskatchewan, what was the date that he was placed on leave? (2) Was he still on leave as of November 20, 2005? (3) If not, what date did he cease to be on paid leave and return to active work?

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 559:

To the Minister of Community Resources and Employment: If DCRE employee Grant Matheson returned to active employment with the Government of Saskatchewan following a paid leave, what are his salary, job title and name of the department that currently employs him?

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 560:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: A commitment was made by the government to repave at least 3 km of Highway 35 in the 2005-2006 budget. (1) Has this been completed? (2) If not, why? (3) When can it be expected that these 3 km will be paved?

Ms. Bakken Lackey, to ask the Government the following Question No. 561:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: The portion of Highway 35 15 km north of the US border was recently converted to gravel. When will this portion of Highway 35 be repaired?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 562:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Has there been an increase in the number of long-term care beds in the Heartland Health Region in the year 2005? (2) If so, how many and in what facilities are they located? (3) Has there been a decrease in the number of long-term care beds in the Heartland Health Region in the year 2005? (4) If so, how many and in what facilities are they located?

The following Question was given notice on day no. 11 and is to be answered by day no. 16:

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 563:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Has the Department of Agriculture and Food prepared any briefs to be presented at the upcoming WTO conference in Hong Kong? (2) Will any officials from the Department of Agriculture and Food be attending the upcoming talks in Hong Kong?

The following Question was given notice on day no. 12 and is to be answered by day no. 17:

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 564:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What is the demarcation regarding PST exemption for grain storage facilities? (2) Why are grain storage buildings with wood packages not exempted from the PST?

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