



No. 26

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Thursday, March 23, 2006

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, McMorris, D'Autremont, Wall, Hermanson, Wakefield, Chisholm, Harpauer, Gantfoer, Weekes, Cheveldayoff, Huyghebaert, Allchurch, Kirsch, Brkich and Morgan.

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 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 repair Highway 310 in order to address safety concerns and to facilitate economic growth and tourism in Foam Lake, Fishing Lake, Kuroki and surrounding areas.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 8)

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 that the Wilkie Health Centre and Special Care Home maintain, at the very least, their current level of services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

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

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 27)

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. 64)

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 that the Dept. of Highways section shop in Watrous remain open so as to ensure the safety of all motorists and Sask. Highways employees.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 67)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 595, it was answered. (See Appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 28 – The Veterinarians Amendment Act, 2005

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wartman: That Bill No. 28 – The Veterinarians Amendment Act, 2005 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Kirsch, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:45 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 Association:

Funeral and Cremation Services Council

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 11)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Brkich asked the Government the following Question No. 595, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Higgins:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications Corporation: How many towns and villages in Saskatchewan currently do not have access to SaskTel high-speed internet?

Answer:

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NOTICE OF A GOVERNMENT MOTION

On Monday:

Hon. Mr. Sonntag to move the following Motion:

That this Assembly recognize the progress and goodwill that resulted from the action plan to improve the socio-economic conditions of Aboriginal people, which was advanced and achieved at the First Ministers' meeting in Kelowna; and,

That this Assembly recognize the leadership role Saskatchewan has undertaken to close the gap in quality of life between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people; and further,

That this Assembly urge the federal government to share a greater percentage of the costs associated with the investments required to improve the social and economic conditions, as well as support structures to Aboriginal people in Saskatchewan; and that it begin to work on achieving the targets identified at the First Ministers' meeting in Kelowna by developing new policy and program arrangements.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Question was given notice on day no. 24 and is to be answered by day no. 29:

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 596:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) When was Highway 15 from the junction of Highway 20 closed? (2) What were the reasons for the closure, and when will the highway re-open?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 25 and are to be answered by day no. 30:

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 597:

To the Minister of Property Management: What is the sale price of the Echo Valley Conference Centre in the option to purchase that Saskatchewan Property Management has awarded to the town of Fort Qu'Appelle?

Mr. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 598:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: (1) What are the total expenses incurred and revenues generated by the tour of Scotty, Saskatchewan's T-Rex, to the cities of Tokyo, Nagoya and Osaka in Japan? (2) Which department, agency or institution received the revenues generated by the tour?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 26 and are to be answered by day no. 31:

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 599:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks, or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 600:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks, or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 601:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks, or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 602:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 603:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 604:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 605:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002-2003? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 606:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001-2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 607:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2000-2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 608:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 609:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 610:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 611:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002-2003, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 612:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001-2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 613:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2000-2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 614:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2002-2003, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 615:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2001-2002, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 616:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Is management of the department aware of any allegations of fraud or other illegal activity within the department or its agencies in the year 2000-2001, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 617:

To the Minister of Environment: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 618:

To the Minister of Environment: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 619:

To the Minister of Environment: What did management of the department find as a result of its monitoring of any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risk or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 620:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2001-2002? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 621:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2000-2001? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 622:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Does management of the department have any knowledge of any actual or suspected fraud or illegal activity within the department during the year 2002-2003? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 623:

To the Minister of Environment: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks, or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 624:

To the Minister of Environment: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks, or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 625:

To the Minister of Environment: Did management of the department have established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks, or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 626:

To the Minister of Environment: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2000-2001?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 627:

To the Minister of Environment: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2001-2002?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 628:

To the Minister of Environment: How did management of the department monitor any established programs and controls to mitigate fraud risks or to help prevent or detect fraud in the year 2002-2003?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 629:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: To date, how much money has your department given to the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 630:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: To date, how much money has your department given to the Provincial Youth Advisory Committee?