



No. 39

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

**SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE**

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**Tuesday, April 11, 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, Draude, Harpauer, Weekes, Allchurch, 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 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)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to act upon the recommendations made by the group "Saskatchewan Families for Effective Autism Treatment".

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 638)

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 fully fund the cancer drug Avastin.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 639)

#### **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. 48 – The Parks Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 49 – The Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Day Act

(Hon. Mr. Yates)

Bill No. 51 – The Regional Health Services Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Taylor)

Bill No. 52 – The Meewasin Valley Authority Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Forbes)

Bill No. 53 – The Economic and Co-operative Development Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Thomson)

Bill No. 54 – The Cancer Agency Act

(Hon. Mr. Taylor)

#### **WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 800 to 833, they were answered. (See Appendix)

### BUDGET DEBATE

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Thomson, seconded by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

That the Assembly approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Cheveldayoff, seconded by Ms. Harpauer:

That all the words after “That the Assembly” be deleted and the following be added:

“disagrees with the general budgetary policy of the government because the Premier and Cabinet have not fully implemented a growth agenda and Saskatchewan continues to fall further behind other provinces, losing population during an economic boom, and because this budget does nothing to help the average working family when the government has one billion dollars in extra revenue, and further, because there is no comprehensive plan or accountability for health care in the province when health care expenditures are almost half of the provincial budget, and this budget reflects an 80s style of record expenditures with a \$288.5 million increase in debt.”

During the debate, the Acting Speaker requested Mr. Kerpan to withdraw unparliamentary language. Mr. Kerpan refused to withdraw the words after the Acting Speaker asked him to do so repeatedly.

Whereupon, Mr. Kerpan was finally named by the Acting Speaker as follows:

“Mr. Kerpan, I name you pursuant to Rule 34, and request that you withdraw from the Chamber.”

Mr. Kerpan then withdrew from the Chamber.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

*Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky*  
*Speaker*

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Ms. Harpauer asked the Government the following Question No. 800, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) How many fines were issued by SaskPower in the year 2004? (2) Which individuals/parties were fined? (3) For what amounts were they fined?

Answer:

- (1) SaskPower levies administrative penalties pursuant to the authority of the *Electrical Inspections Act* and the *Gas Inspections Act*. A record of the number of penalties issued does not exist. To create this record would require the manual review of approximately 2,200 contractor files to extract and compile the data.
- (2) In some instances identifiable individuals were subject to administrative penalties. It would violate the privacy rights of these persons to disclose this information. With respect to incorporated contractors there is not the same concern over privacy. However, this record does not exist as neither Gas nor Electrical Inspections tracks their contractor data in this manner. To create this record would require the manual review of approximately 2,200 contractor files to extract and compile the data.
- (3) A record of the amount of penalties levied does not exist. To create a record of this type would require the manual review of approximately 2,200 contractor files to extract and compile the data.

**Ms. Harpauer asked the Government the following Question No. 801, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) How many fines were issued by SaskPower in the year 2005? (2) Which individuals/parties were fined? (3) For what amounts were they fined?

Answer:

- (1) SaskPower levies administrative penalties pursuant to the authority of the *Electrical Inspections Act* and the *Gas Inspections Act*. A record of the number of penalties issued does not exist. To create this record would require the manual review of approximately 2,200 contractor files to extract and compile the data.
- (2) In some instances identifiable individuals were subject to administrative penalties. It would violate the privacy rights of these persons to disclose this information. With respect to incorporated contractors there is not the same concern over privacy. However, this record does not exist as neither Gas nor Electrical Inspections tracks their contractor data in this manner. To create this record would require the manual review of approximately 2,200 contractor files to extract and compile the data.
- (3) A record of the amount of penalties levied does not exist. To create a record of this type would require the manual review of approximately 2,200 contractor files to extract and compile the data.

**Mr. Morgan asked the Government the following Question No. 802, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Quennell:**

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: (1) How many applications have been made to the Court of Queen's Bench under *The Mandatory Testing and Disclosure (Bodily Substances) Act* by emergency service workers or their representatives? (2) What have been the outcomes of each of these applications?

Answer:

We are not aware of any applications.

**Mr. Brkich asked the Government the following Question No. 803, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:**

To the Minister of Environment: (1) What are the names of the two ski hills that applied for funding in the year 2005-2006? (2) What criteria does the department have for approving an application for funding from a ski hill?

Answer:

- (1) The two ski hills that requested for funding are White Track at Buffalo Pound Provincial Park and Mission Ridge at Fort Qu'Appelle.
- (2) Saskatchewan Environment does not provide funding assistance to commercial business operators in provincial parks, nor do we have a mandate to fund commercial businesses operating on private land. The White Track Ski Hill is operated by a non-profit organization on park land. Mission Ridge is a commercial business operating on private land.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 804, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2000-2001, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was the Provincial Nominee Program within the Department of Economic and Cooperative Development. All departments, crowns and agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 805, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2001-2002, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs. All departments, crowns and agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 806, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2002-2003, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Government Relations. All departments, crowns and agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 807, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2000-2001, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was the Provincial Nominee Program within the Department of Economic and Cooperative Development. All departments, crowns and agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 808, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2001-2002, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs. All departments, crowns and agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 809, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2002-2003, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Government Relations. All departments, crowns and agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 810, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (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?

Answer:

For the year 2000-2001, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was the Provincial Nominee Program within the Department of Economic and Cooperative Development. Detail requested in this question is provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 811, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (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?

Answer:

For the year 2001-2002, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs. Detail requested in this question is provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 812, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (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?

Answer:

For the year 2002-2003, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Government Relations. Detail requested in this question is provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 813, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2000-2001, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was the Provincial Nominee Program within the Department of Economic and Cooperative Development. Detail requested in this question is provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 814, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2001-2002, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs. Detail requested in this question is provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 815, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: 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?

Answer:

For the year 2002-2003, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Government Relations. Detail requested in this question is provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 816, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (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 the activity?

Answer:

For the year 2000-2001, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was the Provincial Nominee Program within the Department of Economic and Cooperative Development. Allegations are reviewed and followed up in accordance with respective policies and procedures.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 817, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (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 the activity?

Answer:

For the year 2001-2002, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs. Allegations are reviewed and followed up in accordance with respective policies and procedures.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 818, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:**

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (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 the activity?

Answer:

For the year 2002-2003, Immigration did not exist as a separate department. It was a branch within the Department of Government Relations. Allegations are reviewed and followed up in accordance with respective policies and procedures.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 819, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

All Departments, Crowns and Agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place. Government values and relies upon the role of the Provincial Auditor, as an independent officer of the Legislative Assembly to audit all agencies and report the results of the audits to the Legislative Assembly annually. Auditor's Reports are located on a database under "Reports" on the Provincial Auditor's website [www.auditor.sk.ca](http://www.auditor.sk.ca).

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 820, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

All Departments, Crowns and Agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place. Government values and relies upon the role of the Provincial Auditor, as an independent officer of the Legislative Assembly to audit all agencies and report the results of the audits to the Legislative Assembly annually. Auditor's Reports are located on a database under "Reports" on the Provincial Auditor's website [www.auditor.sk.ca](http://www.auditor.sk.ca).



**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 821, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

All Departments, Crowns and Agencies work with the Provincial Auditor to ensure adequate financial controls are in place. Government values and relies upon the role of the Provincial Auditor, as an independent officer of the Legislative Assembly to audit all agencies and report the results of the audits to the Legislative Assembly annually. Auditor's Reports are located on a database under "Reports" on the Provincial Auditor's website [www.auditor.sk.ca](http://www.auditor.sk.ca).

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 822, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

DHT has a system of internal control that allows management to monitor and assess with reasonable assurances that public money is fully accounted for and properly disposed of. The rules and procedures applied are sufficient to secure an effective check on the collection and proper allocation of public money. These systems and controls have been developed based upon the government-wide internal control framework encompassing legislation, Financial Administration Manual (FAM) policies, human resource policies and information technology policies. DHT reviews its internal control procedures with the Department of Finance's internal audit branch and with the Provincial Auditor's Office on a regular basis to ensure adequate procedures are in place and are being followed.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 823, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

DHT has a system of internal control that allows management to monitor and assess with reasonable assurances that public money is fully accounted for and properly disposed of. The rules and procedures applied are sufficient to secure an effective check on the collection and proper allocation of public money. These systems and controls have been developed based upon the government-wide internal control framework encompassing legislation, Financial Administration Manual (FAM) policies, human resource policies and information technology policies. DHT reviews its internal control procedures with the Department of Finance's internal audit branch and with the Provincial Auditor's Office on a regular basis to ensure adequate procedures are in place and are being followed.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 824, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

DHT has a system of internal control that allows management to monitor and assess with reasonable assurances that public money is fully accounted for and properly disposed of. The rules and procedures applied are sufficient to secure an effective check on the collection and proper allocation of public money. These systems and controls have been developed based upon the government-wide internal control framework encompassing legislation, Financial Administration Manual (FAM) policies, human resource policies and information technology policies. DHT reviews its internal control procedures with the Department of Finance's internal audit branch and with the Provincial Auditor's Office on a regular basis to ensure adequate procedures are in place and are being followed.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 825, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (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?

Answer:

Details requested in this question are provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee and/or Crown and Central Agencies Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 826, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (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?

Answer:

Details requested in this question are provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 827, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (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?

Answer:

Details requested in this question are provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 828, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

Details requested in this question are provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 829, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

Details requested in this question are provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 830, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: 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?

Answer:

Details requested in this question are provided through the authority of the Provincial Auditor and reported through the Public Accounts Committee.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 831, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (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 the activity?

Answer:

Allegations are reviewed and followed up in accordance through respective policies and procedures.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 832, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (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 the activity?

Answer:

Allegations are reviewed and followed up in accordance through respective policies and procedures.

**Mr. Weekes asked the Government the following Question No. 833, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Latermilch:**

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (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 the activity?

Answer:

Allegations are reviewed and followed up in accordance through respective policies and procedures.

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 36 and are to be answered by day no. 41:**

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 856:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 857:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 858:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 859:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 860:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 861:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 862:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 863:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 864:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 865:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 866:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 867:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (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?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 868:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (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 the activity?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 869:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (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 the activity?

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 870:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (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 the activity?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 871:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications Corporation: (1) In the calendar year 2006, how many of the 158 communities that do not have high speed internet will be getting high speed internet? (2) Which ones?

Mr. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 872:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 873:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 874:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 875:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 876:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 877:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 878:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: (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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 879:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: (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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 880:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: (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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 881:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 882:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 883:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: 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. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 884:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: (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 the activity?

Mr. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 885:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: (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 the activity?

Mr. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 886:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: (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 the activity?

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 37 and are to be answered by day no. 42:**

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 887:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications Corporation: Does SaskTel engage in the practice of awarding contracts to retirees upon retirement?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 888:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications Corporation: What is the policy of SaskTel engage with concern to mandatory retirement?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 889:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Does SaskPower engage in the practice of awarding contracts to retirees upon retirement?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 890:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What is the policy of SaskPower with concern to mandatory retirement?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 891:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: Does SaskEnergy engage in the practice of awarding contracts to retirees upon retirement?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 892:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: What is the policy of SaskEnergy with concern to mandatory retirement?

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 38 and are to be answered by day no. 43:**

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 893:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Did the Minister of Justice, his office, or Executive Council at any time make a recommendation to the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission with regard to the employment of John D. Hillson at the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission? (2) If so, what was the recommendation?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 894:

To the Minister of Justice: How much money was the Legal Aid Commission billed from private legal firms for services related to the claim of John D. Hillson?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 895:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Did officials in the office of the Minister of Justice undertake any written correspondence with the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission regarding the reinstatement of John D. Hillson at the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission? (2) If so, will the Minister table this correspondence in the Legislature?



Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 896:

To the Minister of Learning: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Learning in the 2005-2006 provincial budget? (2) What programs was it allocated to, and how much was allocated to each program?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 897:

To the Minister of Learning: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Learning in the 2006-2007 provincial budget? (2) What programs has it been allocated to, and how much has been allocated to each program?

Mr. Cheveldayoff, to ask the Government the following Question No. 898:

To the Minister of Finance: How much money will the government spend in total promoting the provincial budget by advertising in newspapers, radio, television and in any other sources?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 899:

To the Minister of Health: What is the total cost commitment by the government and the community respectively for the Melville hospital?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 900:

To the Minister of Regional Economic and Co-operative Development: In the fiscal year 2005-2006, what was the total amount of money, in the form of grants, loans or other funding arrangements, given to businesses or co-operatives in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Merriman, to ask the Government the following Question No. 901:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Community Resources in the 2006-2007 provincial budget? (2) What programs has it been allocated to, and how much has been allocated to each program?

Mr. Merriman, to ask the Government the following Question No. 902:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (1) How much of the federal funding received under the Early Learning and Child Care agreement-in-principle between the federal and provincial government was allocated to the Department of Community Resources in the 2005-2006 provincial budget? (2) What programs was it allocated to, and how much was allocated to each program?

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 39 and are to be answered by day no. 44:**

Mr. Elhard, to ask the Government the following Question No. 903:

To the Minister of Advanced Education: As of April 11, 2006, what is the length of time a student must wait on a waiting list before they will be offered a seat in the following programs at SIAST: Combined Laboratory X-Ray Technician, Cytotechnology, Medical Laboratory Technology, Medical Radiologic Technology, Practical Nursing, Industrial Mechanics, Welding, and Electrician?

Mr. Gantefer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 904:

To the Minister of Learning: (1) How much funding has been provided for pre-kindergarten programs/services in the 2006-2007 provincial budget? (2) How much of that funding is being provided directly to school boards?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 905:

To the Minister of Property Management: What company, group of companies, organization, municipality or other purchased the Echo Valley Conference Centre?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 906:

To the Minister of Property Management: What was the appraised value of the Echo Valley Conference Centre?

Mr. Huyghebaert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 907:

To the Minister of Property Management: What was the sale value of the Echo Valley Conference Centre?

## **STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS**

### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

Thursday, April 20, 2006 – Room 8

9:00 a.m.

Consideration of the following Bills:

Bill No. 301 – The Faith Alive Ministries World Outreach Centre Inc. Act

Bill No. 302 – The Orange Benevolent Society Amendment Act

Bill No. 303 – The Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Repeal Act