



No. 52

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

**SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE**

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**Wednesday, May 3, 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: Toth, McMorris, Draude, Bjornerud, Stewart, Wakefield, Chisholm, Harpauer, Allchurch, Weekes, Kirsch, Brkich, Merriman, Morgan and Kerpan.

## **READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS**

According to Order, the Deputy Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 14(7), the following Petition was 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 take the necessary action to ensure that a portion of the province's windfall oil revenue be used to reduce the provincial gas tax.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 13)

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)

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)

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 reverse the increase in crop insurance premiums and the reduction in coverage.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 664)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take the steps to resurface and maintain Highway 3 from Fairholme to Turtleford.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 669)

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 work closely with the federal government to develop a farm income assistance program.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 738)

#### **WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1066 and 1067, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

##### **Bill No. 54 - The Cancer Agency Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Taylor: That Bill No. 54 - The Cancer Agency Act - be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Taylor:

Ordered, That Bill No. 54 - The Cancer Agency Act - be now referred to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Taylor: That Bill No. 51 - The Regional Health Services Amendment Act, 2006 - be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Taylor:

Ordered, That Bill No. 51 - The Regional Health Services Amendment Act, 2006 - be now referred to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 2:42 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

***Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky***  
***Speaker***

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Mr. McMorris asked the Government the following Question No. 1066, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Taylor:**

To the Minister of Health: How many stakeholders submitted reports for the review of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency?

Answer:

In phase one of the review, key informant interviews were conducted with 46 individuals representing the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, Saskatchewan Health, the Regina Qu'Appelle and Saskatoon Regional Health Authorities, the Health Quality Council, the Canadian Cancer Society, the College of Medicine, and contacts in other provinces. In phase two, approximately 135 people participated on working groups to develop the Clinical Directional Plan, or were consulted for the Malignant Hematology / Stem Cell Transplant Program and Oncology Pharmacy Service Reviews.

**Mr. McMorris asked the Government the following Question No. 1067, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Taylor:**

To the Minister of Health: (1) Will the phase one report on the review of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency be tabled in this Legislative Assembly? (2) If so, when can the Assembly expect this report to be tabled?

Answer:

- (1) The Phase One Report in its entirety will be posted on Saskatchewan Health's website the week of May 5, 2006, where it will be accessible for anyone who wishes to read it.
- (2) We do not plan, at this time, to table this report in the Legislature; rather, it will be conveniently available on the website for any Saskatchewan resident to access, and those who wish to obtain a hard copy will be able to do so through the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency or Saskatchewan Health.

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 50 and are to be answered by day no. 55:**

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1086:

To the Minister of Learning: Can the Minister indicate: (1) How much money has been provided to the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic School Division for air quality upgrades over the past year? (2) What actions the school division has taken/will be taking with funding provided by the Department to improve air quality? (3) How much of the funding is new (as of this calendar year)?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1087:

To the Minister of Learning: Does the Minister consider any of the airborne fungi mentioned in a report prepared by Dr. Don Figley dated February 21, 2006 ("air sampling for airborne fungi found aspergillus unguis, acremonium strictum, aspergillus versicolor and penicillium griseofolium") to be hazardous to the health of students and staff at St. Patrick's School in Swift Current?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1088:

To the Minister of Learning: Can the Minister indicate what the \$248,000 announced by the Department of Learning on April 20, 2006 for “air quality upgrades” to St. Patrick’s School in Swift Current will be used for?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1089:

To the Minister of Learning: Can the Minister indicate how much money the department paid in 2006/07 for repairs and renovations to Saskatchewan schools that have been found to have mould or other problems that can affect the health and safety of students and staff?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1090:

To the Minister of Learning: Can the Minister indicate how much money the department paid in 2005/06 for repairs and renovations to Saskatchewan schools that have been found to have mould or other problems that can affect the health and safety of students and staff?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1091:

To the Minister of Learning: Is the Minister aware whether any mould or any fungus which could potentially pose a health hazard to students and/or staff was located during the inspection of St. Patrick’s School?

Mr. Wall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1092:

To the Minister of Learning: Now that the repairs of St. Patrick’s School in Swift Current have been completed, does the department have a commitment to pay for a total environmental assessment to determine the overall condition of the school, given the lengthy history of air quality complaints at St. Patrick’s School and the fact that testing located at least six plumbing leaks in the school?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1093:

To the Minister of Community Resources: Is there any record of the RCMP contacting the Government of Saskatchewan concerning a pardon for Evelyn Hynes at any time that she was an employee of the Government of Saskatchewan?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1094:

To the Minister of Community Resources: Can the Minister indicate the date that the Government of Saskatchewan discovered the first instance of fraud by Evelyn Hynes?

**The following Question was given notice on day no. 52 and is to be answered by day no. 57:**

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1095:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: How many grains and oilseeds producers have contacted Crop Insurance after the March 31 deadline in an effort to reinstate their coverage for 2006?