



No. 61

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, May 16, 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, Elhard, McMorris, D'Autremont, Krawetz, Wall, Draude, Hermanson, Bjornerud, Stewart, Wakefield, Chisholm, Hart, Harpauer, Weekes, Cheveldayoff, Huyghebaert, Allchurch, Crofford, Morin, 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 the necessary action to fully fund the cancer drug Avastin.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 639)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES

The Hon. Mr. Hagel, member of the Standing Committee on House Services presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee considered the Estimates of the Legislative branch of Government and adopted the following resolutions:

Main Estimates, 2006-2007:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2007, the following sums:

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| For Children's Advocate..... | \$1,141,000 |
| For Conflict of Interest Commissioner | \$138,000 |
| For Information and Privacy Commissioner..... | \$599,000 |
| For Legislative Assembly | \$7,146,000 |
| For Ombudsman | \$1,662,000 |
| For Provincial Auditor..... | \$5,904,000 |

Your committee reviewed the following Estimates for which no funds were requested or required to be voted:

Main Estimates, 2006-2007:

For Chief Electoral Officer (statutory)

Supplementary Estimates, 2005-2006:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2006 the following sums:

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| For Legislative Assembly | \$70,000 |
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Your Committee recommends that upon concurrence of its report by the Assembly, the sums as reported and approved shall be included in the Appropriation Bill for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

(Sessional Paper No. 754)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel, seconded by Mr. Brkich:

Ordered, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on House Services be now concurred in.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:35 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Quennell:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations:

Saskatchewan Dietitians Association

College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan

Law Society of Saskatchewan

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 11)

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 58 and are to be answered by day no. 63:

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1102:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: (1) How much money has been clawed back from communities that received Centennial grants in 2005? (2) How many communities have been required to pay back money?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1103:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) In what year did the Government of Saskatchewan begin participating in the federal EnerGuide program? (2) Why did they not participate earlier?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1104:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1105:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1106:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: (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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1107:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1108:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1109:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1110:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1111:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1112:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1113:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1114:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1115:

To the Minister of Learning: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1116:

To the Minister of Learning: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1117:

To the Minister of Learning: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1118:

To the Minister of Learning: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1119:

To the Minister of Learning: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1120:

To the Minister of Learning: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1121:

To the Minister of Learning: (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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1122:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1123:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1124:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1125:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1126:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1127:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1128:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1129:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1130:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1131:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1132:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1133:

To the Minister of Community Resources: 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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1134:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1135:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (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. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1136:

To the Minister of Community Resources: (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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1137:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1138:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1139:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1140:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1141:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1142:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1143:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1144:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1145:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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? (2) If so, what is the nature of this activity?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1146:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1147:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1148:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1149:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1150:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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, such as information received from employees, former employees, customers/clients, suppliers or others? (2) If so, what is the nature of the activity?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1151:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications 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, 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. 59 and are to be answered by day no. 64:

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1152:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Did Northwest Communities Wood Products submit a status report to the department after receiving \$25,000 from the Northern Development Fund in July 1999?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1153:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: Did Northwest Communities Wood Products submit an interim report after receiving an initial disbursement of \$65,000 as per the funding agreement with Saskatchewan Northern Affairs signed in March 2001?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1154:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: How much of the \$291,677 maximum funding amount as detailed in Order-in-Council 508/2001 was actually disbursed to Northwest Communities Wood Products?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1155:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) To date in the current fiscal year, how many claims have been submitted to the department for vehicle damage? (2) What is the total dollar value of these claims?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1156:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) Will the section of Highway 20 between Lanigan and Nokomis be upgraded this year to the primary weight category? (2) Will any other stretches of Highway 20 be upgraded as well?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1157:

To the Minister Responsible for Public Service Commission: How many government employees who have been terminated because of cases of fraud since 2003 have been subsequently re-employed by the Government of Saskatchewan?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1158:

To the Minister of Health: How many nurses, including RNs, RPNs, and LPNs are currently employed in the following employment categories in each Regional Health Authority: permanent full-time, permanent part-time, and casual?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1159:

To the Minister of Health: How many nursing vacancies, including RNs, RPNs, and LPNs are there in the following employment categories in each Regional Health Authority: permanent full-time, permanent part-time, and casual?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1160:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications Corporation: (1) For the calendar year 2004, how many SaskTel employees and their immediate families have been compensated for appearing in commercials for SaskTel products and services? (2) What was the total compensation?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1161:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications Corporation: (1) For the calendar year 2005, how many SaskTel employees and their immediate families have been compensated for appearing in commercials for SaskTel products and services? (2) What was the total compensation?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1162:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications Corporation: (1) To date, how many SaskTel employees and their immediate families have been compensated for appearing in commercials for SaskTel products and services? (2) What was the total compensation?