



No. 30

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, April 22, 2008

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: Morin and Iwanchuk.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably examined the same pursuant to Rule 16(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide property tax relief to homeowners and renters.

(Sessional Paper No. 152)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to withdraw Bill Nos. 5 and 6 and hold broad public consultations about labour relations in the province.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 89)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately restore funding to the Station 20 project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 111)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to reassess its decision to close the South Hill liquor store in Moose Jaw.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 130)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES SOCIÉTÉS D'ÉTAT ET DES ORGANISMES CENTRAUX

The following Bills were reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, they were read the third time and passed:

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier, sont lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 15 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2008

Bill No. 4 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council (Fixed Election Dates) Amendment Act, 2007

Projet de loi n° 4 – Loi de 2007 modifiant la Loi de 2007 sur l'Assemblée législative et le Conseil exécutif (élections à date fixe)

Bill No. 30 – The Statutes and Regulations Revision Act

Bill No. 11 – The Enforcement of Canadian Judgments Amendment Act, 2008

Projet de loi n° 11 – Loi de 2008 modifiant la Loi de 2002 sur l'exécution des jugements canadiens

Bill No. 20 – The Administration of Estates Amendment Act, 2008

Projet de loi n° 20 – Loi de 2008 modifiant la Loi sur l'administration des successions

Bill No. 12 – The Consumer Protection Amendment Act, 2008

SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 35 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2008

The Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 35 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Yates, adjourned.

Bill No. 38 – The Corporate Capital Tax Act

The Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 38 – The Corporate Capital Tax Act – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Yates, adjourned.

Bill No. 24 – The Trade Union Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Norris: That Bill No. 24 – The Trade Union Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Ms. Atkinson, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:46 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Don Toth
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for SaskEnergy Incorporated for the year ended December 31, 2007.

(Sessional Paper No. 153)

Financial Statements for SaskEnergy Incorporated (Consolidated); SaskEnergy Incorporated (Distribution Division); SaskEnergy Incorporated (Holdings Division); TransGas Limited; Many Islands Pipe Lines (Canada) Limited; Bayhurst Gas Limited; Bayhurst Energy Services Corporation, Swan Valley Gas Corporation; Saskatchewan First Call Corporation; SaskEnergy International Incorporated; SaskEnergy Chilean Holdings I Ltd.; SaskEnergy Chilean Holdings II Ltd.; SaskEnergy Chilean Holdings Limitada; SaskEnergy Mexican Holdings Ltd.; SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd.; Heritage Gas Limited for the year ended December 31, 2007.

(Sessional Paper No. 154)

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Ms. Morin to move the following motion:

That this Assembly urge the government to legislate greenhouse gas emission reduction targets and stabilize greenhouse gas emissions by 2010, reduce greenhouse gases by 32 percent from current levels by 2020 and reduce greenhouse gases by 80 percent from current levels by 2050; and create a regular reporting mechanism to keep this Assembly apprised of the progress on this file.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 29 and are to be answered by day no. 34:

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 588:

To the Minister of Health: In the answer to written question No. 240, the Minister provided a list of people who went on a recruitment agency trip to southeast Asia. The only person listed who did not belong to a government agency was Linda West, who was listed as a consultant. (1) For what purpose was Linda West on this trip? (2) Were her travel expenses covered by the government of Saskatchewan? (3) If so, how much were those expenses? (4) Was Linda West ever employed by the provincial government? (5) If so, in what capacity and for what period of time was she employed?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 589:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How much less money was spent on salaries and wages for each day of the 2007 University of Saskatchewan labour strike? (2) What departments had wage and/or salary money not spent as a result of the strike? (3) What departments were not affected?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 590:

To the Premier: According to the Deputy Premier on page 347 of the March 18, 2008 *Hansard*, there were three types of people that were involved in the transition team: people who volunteered and provided services, people who were contracted, and people who assisted from law firms. (1) How many members of the transition team fell into each of these three categories? (2) What are the names of the people in each category? (3) How many people all told were involved in the transition team?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 591:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: (1) For the recent clean coal announcement, what is the total cost of the project? (2) What percentage of that is being sought from SaskPower? (3) The government of Canada? (4) The province of Saskatchewan? (5) Other sources?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 592:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) How many injuries and deaths occurred on municipal roads in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 593:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) How many injuries and deaths occurred on highways in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 594:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) How many injuries and deaths occurred on grid roads in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 30 and are to be answered by day no. 35:

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 595:

To the Minister of Justice: Has the government provided any financial payment to Mr. Richard Klassen and his family since November 2007?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 596:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What legal opinion was sought prior to terminating the province's financial support for the Friends of the Canadian Wheat Board legal case against the federal government over its handling of changes to the Board's single desk marketing authority?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 597:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What consultations, discussions or meetings took place with members of the Canadian Wheat Board, Friends of the Canadian Wheat Board, or other farm groups in the month of November 2007?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 598:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What projects, products and other services are undertaken by the Saskatchewan Organic Directorate?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 599:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How much money has the province provided to the Saskatchewan Organic Directorate since its inception?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 600:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What is the total amount of funding received under the Agricultural New Generation Co-operatives Program?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 601:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What projects have received funding under the Agricultural New Generation Co-operatives Program, with a breakdown for each year?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 602:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What is the total amount of funding received under the Agri-Food Innovation Fund?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 603:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What projects have received funding under the Agri-Food Innovation Fund since its inception, with a breakdown for each year?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 604:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many applications were successful under the Agriculture Development Fund since its inception, with a breakdown for each year and for each of the three programs under the fund?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 605:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many applications were submitted under the Agriculture Development Fund since its inception, with a breakdown for each year and for each of the three programs under the fund?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 606:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many applications have been granted under the SaskBIO program since its inception?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 607:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many applications have been sought under the SaskBIO program since its inception?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 608:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the average Crop Insurance indemnity in 2007?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 609:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the average Crop Insurance indemnity in 2006?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 610:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the average Crop Insurance claim in 2007?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 611:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the average Crop Insurance claim in 2006?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 612:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many Crop Insurance claims were made in 2007?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 613:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many Crop Insurance claims were made in 2006?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 614:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many producers were insured under the Crop Insurance program in 2007?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 615:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many producers were insured under the Crop Insurance program in 2006?