

No. 26

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

# OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

## SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, March 3, 2009

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: Higgins, Forbes, Taylor, Wotherspoon and Weekes.

#### **READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS**

According to Order, the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel 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 immediately recommit funds and resources for a new hospital at North Battleford.

(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 ensure that CBO workers achieve wage equity.

(Sessional Paper No. 112)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to significantly increase the provincial portion of education funding. (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 expand affordable housing options for Saskatchewan's senior citizens.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

#### Bill No. 72 – The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff: That Bill No. 72 – The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2008 – 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.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 72 – The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2008 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

#### Bill No. 63 – The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 63 – The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 67 – The Education Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) Projet de loi nº 67 - Loi no 2 de 2008 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Krawetz: That Bill No. 67 – The Education Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) – 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.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 67 – The Education Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) – was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Krawetz: Que le projet de loi n° 67 -Loi no 2 de 2008 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Gantefoer, conformément au règlement 81, le projet de loi no 67 - Loi n° 2 de 2008 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation – est renvoyé au Comité permanent des services à la personne

#### Bill No. 69 - The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 69 - The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Higgins, adjourned.

#### **Bill No. 60 – The Senate Nominee Election Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 60 - The Senate Nominee Election Act – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, the Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The debate being resumed on Second Reading of Bill No. 60 – The Senate Nominee Election Act, it was on motion of Mr. Yates, adjourned.

#### Bill No. 65 – The Seizure of Criminal Property Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 65 – The Seizure of Criminal Property Act, 2008 – 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.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 65 – The Seizure of Criminal Property Act, 2008 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

#### **Bill No. 66 – The Witness Protection Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hickie: That Bill No. 66 – The Witness Protection 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.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 66 – The Witness Protection Act – was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

#### Bill No. 74 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (English) Amendment and Repeal Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 74 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (English) Amendment and Repeal Act, 2008 – 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.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 74 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (English) Amendment and Repeal Act, 2008 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

#### Bill No. 75 - The Miscellaneous Statutes (Bilingual) Amendment and Repeal Act, 2008 Projet de loi nº 75 - Loi corrective (lois bilingues) de 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 75 - The Miscellaneous Statutes (Bilingual) Amendment and Repeal Act, 2008 – 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.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 75 - The Miscellaneous Statutes (Bilingual) Amendment and Repeal Act, 2008 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Morgan: Que le projet de loi n° 75 - Loi corrective (lois bilingues) de 2008 – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Gantefoer, conformément au règlement 81, le projet de loi n° 75 - Loi corrective (lois bilingues) de 2008 – est renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires intergouvernementales et de la justice.

#### Bill No. 50 - The Missing Persons and Presumption of Death Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 50 - The Missing Persons and Presumption of Death 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.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 50 – The Missing Persons and Presumption of Death Act – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

#### Bill No. 44 – The Agreements of Sale Cancellation Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 44 – The Agreements of Sale Cancellation Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 73 - The University of Saskatchewan Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Norris: That No. 73 – The University of Saskatchewan Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 43 – The Trespass to Property Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 43 - The Trespass to Property Act – be now read a second time.

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

#### **Bill No. 71 – The Innovation Saskatchewan Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Stewart: That Bill No. 71 - The Innovation Saskatchewan Act – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 45 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 45 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 9 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer: That Bill No. 9 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Atkinson, adjourned.

## Bill No. 49 – The Ambulance Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris: That Bill No. 49 – The Ambulance Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 76 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Heppner: That Bill No. 76 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 68 - The Arts Professions Act Projet de loi nº 68 - Loi sur les professions artistique

the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That	L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. Mme Tell: Que le projet de loi n° 68 - Loi sur les professions artistique – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.
The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms.	Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme
Atkinson, adjourned.	Atkinson, il est ajourné.

#### Bill No. 51 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 51 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Junor, adjourned.

#### Bill No. 61 – The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hutchinson: That Bill No. 61 – The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 59 – The Election Amendment Act, 2008

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 59 – The Election Amendment Act, 2008 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, the Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 6(6).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Don Toth Speaker

# NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Calvert to move the following motion:

That this Assembly condemn the federal government for their lack of attention to the needs of Saskatchewan in this year's federal budget, particularly the needs of cattle producers and forestry workers, and furthermore notes that the provincial government has failed miserably to obtain fair treatment for the people of Saskatchewan by Stephen Harper's government.

# NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

On Thursday:

## No. 1 (Government)

Adjourned debate on the proposed Motion No. 1 moved by Mr. Harrison:

That the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan supports the consideration of further value-added development of Saskatchewan's uranium industry including nuclear power generation and recognizes the potential benefits to the growth and prosperity of the people of our province.

(Mr. Huyghebaert) Adjourned Twice

# NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 184:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many families were on the waiting list for the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement (SRHS) in each month of 2008? (2) 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 185:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many children came into foster care under the authority of *The Child and Family Services Act* during each month of 2008 and 2009? (2) How many were placed into overflow facilities during each month of 2008 and 2009?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 186:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: What was the value of investments held by the SGI Investment Fund as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 187:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: (1) In 2008, how many driver's licenses were transferred from each province? (2) Out-of-country?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 188:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: What was the value of investments held by the SGI Investment Fund as of July 1, 2008?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 189:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) What was the average cost per kilometer of the reconstruction work in 2008? (2) 2007? (3) 2006? (4) 2005? (5) 2004?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 190:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many kilometers of highway were reconstructed in 2008? (2) How many kilometers were reconstruction of road bed? (3) How many were reconstruction of pavement top?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 191:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many kilometers of highway were resurfaced with new surface covering pavement in 2008? (2) What was the cost?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 192:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the order of priority for highways projects as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 193:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Has Kevin Wilson received any remuneration from Executive Government (including Ministers' offices) or Crown corporations since November 7, 2007? (2) If so, what remuneration was given? (3) What were the services that he provided?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 194:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students are currently enrolled in graduate-level programs in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 195:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many full-time and part-time jobs were there in the province in the year 2008? (2) What source are you citing for these statistics?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 196:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) Have there been any changes to the policy manual in the Ministry of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing since November 7, 2007? (2) If so, what were those changes?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 197:

To the Minister of Government Services: What has the government spent on renovations to Ministers' offices since November 20, 2007?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 198:

To the Minister of Government Services: What has the government spent on renovations to the Saskatoon Cabinet office since November 20, 2007?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 199:

To the Minister of Government Services: What has the government spent on renovations to the Premier's office in the Legislative building since November 20, 2007?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 200:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: (1) Which unions does the government of Saskatchewan currently collectively bargain with? (2) How many employees are represented by each of those unions for bargaining purposes? (3) When does each union's present contract expire?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 201:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: Were there any companies that applied for the Saskatchewan Film Employment Tax Credit in the following years that did not receive that credit: (1) 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Nilson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 202:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many companies that applied for the Saskatchewan Film Employment Tax Credit were denied in the fiscal year 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 203:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: What was the order of priority for municipal projects as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 204:

To the Premier: For all the individuals that were terminated without cause by this government, including government ministries and agencies, Crown corporations, executive council, the WBC and the Labour Relations Board, how long, on average, did it take to finalize the severance packages?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 205:

To the Premier: (1) How many individuals have been terminated without cause by this government, including government ministries and agencies, Crown corporations, executive council, the WBC and the Labour Relations Board? (2) How many of those individuals have yet to have finalized their severance negotiations?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 206:

To the Premier: (1) How many employees in the civil service have been moved to "unclassified"? (2) What is the definition of "unclassified"?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 207:

To the Premier: (1) How many staff members will be assigned to each Legislative Secretary? (2) Will they be housed in ministries or in Ministers' offices? (3) What are their salaries? (4) What are their roles and responsibilities?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 208:

To the Premier: What is the total monthly expenditure on salaries and benefits in Executive Council?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 209:

To the Premier: Recognizing that public reporting is required for contracts over \$50,000, how many consulting or personal service contracts over \$10,000, but less that \$50,000 has the government entered into since November 11, 2007?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 210:

To the Minister of Education: How many schools are being reviewed by school boards for possible closure or grade reduction in 2008/09?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 211:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many schools are being reviewed by school boards for possible closure or grade discontinuance? (2) Please name each school and indicate if it is full closure or grade discontinuance (and the grades affected) for each school?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 212:

To the Minister of Education: What was the order of priority for the capital lists for schools as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 213:

To the Minister of Education: What was the order of priority for the capital lists for schools as of January 1, 2008?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 214:

To the Premier: (1) What is the average rental cost in Prince Albert? (2) What source are you citing for this information?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 215:

To the Premier: (1) What is the average rental cost in Saskatoon? (2) What source are you citing for this information?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 216:

To the Premier: (1) What is the average rental cost in Regina? (2) What source are you citing for this information?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 217:

To the Premier: (1) What is the average rental cost in Moose Jaw? (2) What source are you citing for this information?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 218:

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

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 219:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: Was the government's share of the proceeds from the sale of SaskFerco disbursed into the General Revenue Fund or to the Growth and Financial Security Fund or was it retained inside Investment Saskatchewan or CIC?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 220:

To the Minister of Social Services: What was the order of priority for housing projects as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 221:

To the Minister of Finance: How many people are anticipated to be employed in Saskatchewan in April 2009, required to fill out income tax forms, but will not have to pay any income tax?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 222:

To the Minister of Finance: How many people were employed in Saskatchewan in April 2008, required to fill out income tax forms, but did not pay any income tax?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 223:

To the Minister of Finance: How will the government of Saskatchewan measure the increased participation of children age six to 14 in sports, cultural and recreation activities as a result of the Active Saskatchewan Families Benefit?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 224:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) How many students will qualify for the graduate tax retention benefit in 2009? (2) What will the total cost of the program be in 2009?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 225:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the value of investments held by the Saskatchewan Health Employees Pension (SHEP) as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 226:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the value of investments held by the Saskatchewan Health Employees Pension (SHEP) as of July 1, 2008?

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Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 227:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the value of investments held by the SGI Investment Fund as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 228:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the value of investments held by the SGI Investment Fund as of July 1, 2008?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 229:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the value of investments held by the WCB Investment Fund as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 230:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the value of investments held by the WCB Investment Fund as of July 1, 2008?

Mr. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 231:

To the Minister of Environment: How many employees have been dismissed without cause from your ministry or have been bumped or laid off since November 7, 2007?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 232:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the value of investments held by the WCB Investment Fund as of January 1, 2009?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 233:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the value of investments held by the WCB Investment Fund as of July 1, 2008?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 234:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the average time between a case being heard by the Labour Relations Board and a decision being made for the year 2008?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 235:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How many duty to consult meetings have you participated in since November 7, 2007?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 236:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) What percentage of Saskatchewan's work force is Aboriginal? (2) What is the source you are citing for this statistic?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 237:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: For each out-of-province trip that the Minister has been on since November 7, 2007: (1) How many staff from the Minister's office went on the trip? (2) Did the Minister and/or her staff fly coach or business class? (3) Did any officials from the Ministry go on the trip? (4) Did those officials fly coach or business class? (5) What was the total cost of the trip?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 238:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How many out-of-province trips has the Minister been on since November 7, 2007?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 239:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many patients were sent out of province for PET scans in 2009? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008 to date?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 240:

To the Minister of Health: What is the number of RNs employed by health regions per region as of January 31, 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 241:

To the Minister of Health: How many RPN vacancies were there as of December 31, 2008 and each month thereafter to date?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 242:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What is the number of RPNs employed by health regions per region as of December 31, 2008? (2) As of September 30, 2008?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 243:

To the Minister of Health: Howe many RN vacancies were there as of December 31, 2008 and each month thereafter to date?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 244:

To the Minister of Health: What have been the administrative costs associated with means testing the government's drug plan for seniors?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 245:

To the Minister of Health: What was the value of investments held by the Saskatchewan Health Employees Pension (SHEP) as of July 1, 2008?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 246:

To the Minister of Health: What was the value of investments held by the Saskatchewan Health Employees Pension (SHEP) as of January 1, 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 247:

To the Minister of Health: How many Saskatchewan Health Cards were issued and in service as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 248:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many seniors are covered under the prescription drug plan? (2) What is the average cost to cover a senior under the plan?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 249:

To the Minister of Health: How many seniors have been removed from the senior's prescription drug plan as a result of the means testing since means testing began?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 250:

To the Minister of Education: How many schools have applied for dedicated funding as schools of necessity as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 251:

To the Minister of Education: How many schools have applied for dedicated funding as schools of opportunity as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 252:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many families qualified for Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement (SRHS) in each month of 2008? (2) 2009?

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

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 253:

To the Premier: (1) Since the time that the answer to Written Question No. 56 was provided, has Doug Emsley received any remuneration from executive government (including minister's offices) or Crown corporations? (2) If so, what remuneration was given?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 254:

To the Government: Has the answer to any of the following questions changed since the answer to Written Question No. 67 was provided? If so, what is the updated information: (1) How many cell phones will be provided to each Minister's office? (2) How many blackberries will be provided to each Minister's office? (3) How many employees will have business cards? (4) How many business cards will be ordered for each employee?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 255:

To the Premier: Not including the ones provided in the answer to Written Question No. 52, what new MOUs have each Ministry entered into?

Mr. Calvert, to ask the Government the following Question No. 256:

To the Premier: (1) Since the time that the answer to Written Question No. 54 was provided, has Angus Ried been contracted by the government (including ministries or Crown corporations)? (2) If so, how much were they paid?

Mr. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 257:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the order of priority for capital investments into health care facilities projects as of January 1, 2008? (2) January 1, 2009?

Mr. Van Mulligen, to ask the Government the following Question No. 258:

To the Minister of Finance: Was the government's share of the proceeds from the sale of SaskFerco disbursed into the General Revenue Fund or to the Growth and Financial Security Fund or was it retained inside Investment Saskatchewan or CIC?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 259:

To the Minister of Social Services: What was the order of priority for housing projects as of January 1, 2008?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 260:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: What was the order of priority for capital projects as of January 1, 2008?