



No. 47

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

SECOND SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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**Wednesday, April 8, 2009**

1:30 p.m.

## ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER

The Clerk advised the Assembly that the Speaker would not be present to open the sitting. Thereupon, the Deputy Speaker took the chair.

## PRAYERS

## PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Trew, Higgins, Iwanchuk, Forbes, Morin, Taylor and Broten.

## 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 commit to indexing Saskatchewan minimum wage.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 34)

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.

(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 ensure that CBO workers achieve wage equity.

(Addendum to 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 immediately expand the Graduate Retention Program to include Masters and Ph.D. graduates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 114)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to financially assist Duck Lake residents with exorbitant water rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 115)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to invest in growing the capacity of the early childcare community to enable new childcare spaces.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 130)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to invest in the planning and construction of new long-term care beds in La Ronge.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 142)

#### **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY**

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

Bill No. 46 – The Labour Market Commission Amendment Act, 2008

#### **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES**

Mr. Taylor, Deputy Chair 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, 2009-2010:**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2010, the following sum:

For Children's Advocate ..... \$1,441,000

For Conflict of Interest Commissioner ..... \$151,000

For Information and Privacy Commissioner ..... \$927,000

For Legislative Assembly ..... \$8,250,000

For Ombudsman ..... \$2,015,000

For Provincial Auditor..... \$7,268,000

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

**Main Estimates, 2009-2010:**

For Chief Electoral Officer (Statutory)

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. 159)

On motion of Mr. Taylor:

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

**ADJOURNED DEBATES/ DÉBATS AJOURNÉS**

**Bill No. 79 – The Education Amendment Act, 2009 (No. 2)  
Projet de loi n° 79 – Loi n° 2 de 2009 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. 79 – The Education Amendment Act, 2009 (No. 2) – be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Krawetz: Que le projet de loi n° 79 - Loi n° 2 de 2009 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 79 – The Education Amendment Act, 2009 (No. 2) – was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Gantefer, conformément au règlement 81, le projet de loi n° 79 - Loi n° 2 de 2009 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation – est renvoyé au Comité permanent des services à la personne.

**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 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 49 – The Ambulance Amendment Act, 2008 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

**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 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No.43 – The Trespass to Property Act – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

**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 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 76 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) – was committed to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

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

By designation of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 61 – The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2008 – was committed to the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

**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 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 59 – The Election Amendment Act, 2008 – was committed to the Standing Committee on House Services.

**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 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 60 – The Senate Nominee Election Act – was committed to the Standing Committee on House Services.

**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 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 51 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2008 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

**Bill No. 87 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2009**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Gantefer: That Bill No. 87 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2009 – 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 87 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2009 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

**Bill No. 88 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2009**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Gantefer: That Bill No. 88 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2009 – 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. Gantefer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 88 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2009 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gantefer:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 4:54 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

*Hon. Don Toth*  
*Speaker*

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**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, 2008.

(Sessional Paper No. 160)

Financial Statements for SaskEnergy Incorporated – Consolidated; SaskEnergy Incorporated – Distribution Division; TransGas Limited; Many Islands Pipe Lines (Canada) Limited; Bayhurst Gas Limited; Swan Valley Gas Corporation; Saskatchewan First Call Corporation; SaskEnergy International Incorporated; SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd.; Heritage Gas Limited for the year ended December 31, 2008.

(Sessional Paper No. 161)

By the Hon. Mr. Hutchinson:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board for the year ended December 31, 2008.

(Sessional Paper No. 163)

## NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Monday:

Mr. Trew to move First Reading of Bill No. 605 – The Traffic Safety (Maintenance Workers – Gallenger) Amendment Act

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 46 and are to be answered by day no. 51:**

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 343:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: The Minister has recently announced a “concept review” on the notion of a dome stadium in Regina. (1) When did the concept review begin? (2) What are the terms of reference? (3) What are the deliverables of the review? (4) What is the deadline for those deliverables?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 344:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: The Minister has recently announced a “concept review” on the notion of a dome stadium in Regina. (1) Has any outside agency or consultant been hired to work on this review? (2) If so, how much is the contract for? (3) When did any external work begin? (4) Was there an RFP? (5) When was the RFP published?

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 47 and are to be answered by day no. 52:**

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 345:

To the Minister of Health: What are the estimated costs of the upgrades to Pioneer Village in Regina?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 346:

To the Minister of Health: What, if any, debt will the Regina Health Region be assuming with the acquisition of Pioneer Village?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 347:

To the Minister of Health: What is the estimated assessed value of Pioneer Village in Regina?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 348:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many positions for Central Management and Services require the worker to have a Bachelor of Social Work degree? (2) How many workers in Central Management and Services are members of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 349:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many positions for Employment Support and Income Assistance require the worker to have a Bachelor of Social Work degree? (2) How many workers in Employment Support and Income Assistance are members of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 350:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many positions for Child and Family Services require the worker to have a Bachelor of Social Work degree? (2) How many workers in Child and Family Services are members of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 351:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many positions for Community Inclusion area require the worker to have a Bachelor of Social Work degree? (2) How many workers in Community Inclusion are members of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 352:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many positions for Supporting Families and Building Economic Independence require the worker to have a Bachelor of Social Work degree? (2) How many workers in Supporting Families and Building Economic Independence are members of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 353:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many positions for Saskatchewan Housing Corporation require the worker to have a Bachelor of Social Work degree? (2) How many workers in Saskatchewan Housing Corporation are members of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers?