

No. 2

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

## OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

## THIRD SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

# Thursday, October 22, 2009

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

## PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Forbes, Vermette, Broten, Morin, Taylor, Wotherspoon and Yates.

# APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR OF COMMITTEES

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Mr. Wayne Elhard, Member for the constituency of Cypress Hills, be appointment to preside as Deputy Chair of Committees of this Assembly.

#### RESIGNATION OF DEPUTY CHAIR OF COMMITTEES

The Speaker informed the Assembly of the following resignation:

Tim McMillan as Deputy Chair of Committees of the Legislative Assembly

#### SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the following:

A message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor communicating the membership of the Board of Internal Economy dated June 4, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 8)

Financial Statements for the Saskatchewan Party Caucus for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009. (Sessional Paper No. 9)

Financial Statements for the New Democratic Party Caucus for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009. (Sessional Paper No. 10)

Members' Accountability and Disclosure Reports for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009, pursuant to Directive No. 22 of the Board of Internal Economy.

(Sessional Paper No. 11)

#### MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Order of the Day having been called for consideration of the Speech of His Honour at the opening of the Session, the Hon. Mr. McMorris, seconded by Ms. Ross, moved:

That an Humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE GORDON L. BARNHART Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

#### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Lingenfelter, seconded by Ms. Higgins, in amendment thereto:

That the motion be amended by adding the following:

And, That this government no longer enjoys the support of the Assembly and the people of Saskatchewan because of this government's lack of vision for the future, and because of this government's woeful mismanagement of the province's finances, and because of this government's failed policies on health care, the Crowns, energy, housing, the environment and the economy, and because of this government's refusal to listen to the people's priorities.

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

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The Assembly adjourned at 1:00 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Don Toth Speaker

# NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Tuesday:

Hon. Mr. Bjornerud to move First Reading of Bill No. 97 – The Agri-Food Amendment Act, 2009

Hon. Mr. Gantefoer to move First Reading of Bill No. 98 – The Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2009

Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert to move First Reading of Bill No. 99 – The Emergency 911 System Amendment Act, 2009

Hon. Mr. Duncan to move First Reading of Bill No. 100 – The Doukhobors of Canada C.C.U.B. Trust Fund Amendment Act, 2009

# NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 2 and are to be answered by day no. 7:

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1:

To the Minister Responsible for First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) How many duty-to-consult meetings have you participated in since Nov. 7, 2007? (2) What is your criteria for determining if a meeting is a duty-to-consult meeting?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 2:

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

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 3:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many nursing graduates received full-time jobs in Saskatchewan in 2007? (2) 2008?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 4:

To the Minister of Health: What is the number of RN FTE job vacancies as of September 30, 2009 in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill River, Prairie North Health Region, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon Sunrise, Cypress Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sun Country)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 5:

To the Minister of Health: What is the number of LPN FTE job vacancies as of September 30, 2009 in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill River, Prairie North Health Region, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon Sunrise, Cypress Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sun Country)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 6:

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

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 7:

To the Minister of Health: How many RN/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. 8:

To the Minister of Health: What is the criteria for approval to get Individual Funding?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 9:

To the Minister of Health: How many people in Saskatchewan are accessing the Individual Funding option?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 10:

To the Minister of Health: What training regulations does the government require professional people to have to supervise and conduct all health and education programs for individuals with ASD?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 11:

To the Minister of Health: How many individuals in Saskatchewan are diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ADS)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 12:

To the Minister of Health: How many out-of-scope employees in 2009 to date are there in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill River, Prairie North Health Region, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon Sunrise, Cypress Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sun Country)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 13:

To the Minister of Health: How many out-of-scope employees in 2008 were there in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill River, Prairie North Health Region, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon Sunrise, Cypress Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sun Country)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 14:

To the Minister of Health: How many out-of-scope employees in 2007 were there in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill River, Prairie North Health Region, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon Sunrise, Cypress Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sun Country)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 15:

To the Minister of Health: How many out-of-scope employees in 2006 were there in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill River, Prairie North Health Region, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon Sunrise, Cypress Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sun Country)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 16:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many addictions beds have been created since November 2007? (2) Where are those beds located?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 17:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Which teen addictions organizations have received financial support from the government since November 2007? (2) How much financial support did each organization receive?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 18:

To the Minister of Health: On what date is the \$95 million for the children's hospital going to be given back to the Saskatoon Health region?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 19:

To the Minister of Health: What is the date for construction to begin on the children's hospital?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 20:

To the Minister of Health: What is the most up-to-date estimated price of the children's hospital?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 21:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Are all long-term care facilities in Saskatchewan equipped with sprinkler systems in case of fires? (2) If not, which ones are not?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 22:

To the Minister of Health: With respect to the work provided to the Patient First Review by consulting firm Deloitte: (1) What was the total cost of all work completed by Deloitte? (2) At what hourly rate was the work conducted?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 23:

To the Minister of Health: With respect to the work provided to the Patient First Review by consulting firm KPMG: (1) What was the total cost of all work completed by KPMG? (2) At what hourly rate was the work conducted?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 24:

To the Minister of Health: With respect to the work provided to the Patient First Review by consulting firm KPMG: (1) Who served as KPMG's research partner (as listed in the Saskatchewan Health Fact Sheet on October 15, 2009) on his work? (2) What specific work did the research partner conduct? (3)

How was the research partner chosen? (4) What was the total cost of the work completed by the research partner? (5) At what hourly rate was the research partner's work conducted?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 25:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How much money has been spent on the Patient First Audit of the Health Care System (done by Tony Dagnone)? (2) Was all budget related to the review, the Commissioner, and any staff or consultants who assisted with the review, provided by Saskatchewan Health or was some portion of the cost provided by other ministries, boards or agencies of the Government of Saskatchewan? (3) If so, what other ministries, boards or agencies helped to cover the cost of the Patient First Review and how much did they spend?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 26:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) Has the provincial government created any new provincial parks, or established a timeline for the creation of any new provincial parks, since November 21, 2007? (2) If so, what are the locations and intended purposes of each of these parks?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 27:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: The Saskatchewan Film Employment Credit is paid to producers in instalments. (1) What is the average amount paid out to Saskatchewan producers? (2) How many instalments are typically required to pay out the entire amount of tax credit owed to producers? (3) What is the average length of time producers are required to wait between the time their application for the credit is approved, and the time the last instalment is paid out?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 28:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) How much revenue did the provincial government generate from daily camping fees in 2007/2008? (2) 2008/2009? (3) 2009 to date?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 29:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) How much revenue did the provincial government generate from online Reserve A site registration fees in 2007/2008? (2) 2008/2009? (3) 2009 to date?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 30:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) How much revenue did the provincial government generate from Reserve A site change fees in 2007/2008? (2) 2008/2009? (3) 2009 to date?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 31:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) How much revenue did the provincial government generate from seasonal camping fees for electrified sites in 2007/2008? (2) 2008/2009? (3) 2009 to date?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 32:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) Will the provincial government be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues, in consideration of its investment in the Games? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 33:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) How much revenue did the provincial government generate from trailer storage fees in 2007/2008? (2) 2008/2009? (3) 2009 to date?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 34:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) Will Tourism Saskatchewan be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 35:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) Has the provincial government conducted a heritage value assessment of the old St. Mary's School in Saskatoon? (2) If so, what were the findings of this assessment?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 36:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: On May 14, 2009, the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport indicated that \$750,000 would be invested in "athlete development". (1) To whom will these funds be paid? (2) How much will each of these people or groups be paid? (3) What is the purpose of the funding?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 37:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) Were there any companies that applied for the Saskatchewan Film Employment Tax Credit in 2009 that did not receive that credit? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 38:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) Which businesses, organizations, municipalities, government ministries, educational institutions and Crown corporations will be represented in the Saskatchewan pavilion at the Vancouver Olympics? (2) Will they be required to pay fees to be represented? (3) If so, what fees will each be required to pay?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 39:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) How much revenue did the provincial government generate from seasonal camping fees for un-electrified sites in 2007/2008? (2) 2008/2009? (3) 2009 to date?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 40:

To the Minister of Tourism, Park, Culture and Sport: (1) How much is being budgeted in Tourism Saskatchewan for the Olympics? (2) Please include a breakdown of the following: (a) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for agency officials? (b) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for the Minister and ministerial staff? (c) total budget for advertising and promotional activities? (d) overall total budget in your agency?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 41:

To the Minister of Finance: What is the total cost of resources, financial and human, that have been utilized to consider the implications of compliance with the Provincial Auditor's recommendation as it relates to summary financials in 2008, and 2009, up and until September 30, 2009?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 42:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What is the total cost of resources, financial and human, that have been utilized to study or evaluate the changes made by, and implications for Manitoba as it relates to focusing on summary financials in 2008, and 2009, up and until September 30, 2009? (2) What has been learned by evaluating Manitoba's experience in changing its focus to summary financials, specifically: (a) how has this gone for Manitoba? (b) what were the implications? (c) what from this circumstance can be applied to Saskatchewan?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 43:

To the Minister of Finance: What is the total cost of resources, financial and human, that have been utilized by the government to develop, evaluate, consider or study the concept of a "flat tax" within Saskatchewan as it relates to income taxes in 2008 and 2009, as of September 30, 2009?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 44:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What is the total cost of resources, financial and human, that have been utilized by the government to develop, evaluate, consider or study various alternative income tax models within Saskatchewan as it relates to income taxes in 2008 and 2009, as of September 30, 2009? (2) Which models have been studied?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 45:

To the Minister of Finance: Based on your Ministry's estimates, what would the value of the reduction in income tax revenues collected by the government be if it implemented the "flat tax" model recommended by Enterprise Saskatchewan in 2009?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 46:

To the Minister of Finance: How much did the government spend in total, all ministries and executive council combined, on communicating the 2008/09 budget, including all programs and infrastructure projects, from any and all sources of communications?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 47:

To the Minister of Finance: How much has the government spend to date, all ministries and executive council combined, on communicating the 2009/10 budget, including all programs and infrastructure projects, from any and all sources of communications?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 48:

To the Minister of Finance: How many instances, including the year, resource, estimated revenue and actual revenue, has the Saskatchewan government tabled a budget that assumed resource revenues for one resources that was incorrectly too high, with the actual revenues to be less than the budget estimated by more than 1.3 billion dollars?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 49:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) Prior to its tabling, was there any information or Saskatchewan government civil servant that suggested that the potash revenue assumptions for the 2009/10 budget were possibly high of an estimate? (2) If so, who or what entity provided this information and what was the information?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 50:

To the Minister of Finance: What role did the Ministry of Finance have in the potash revenue assumptions for the 2009/10 budget?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 51:

To the Minister of Finance: What role did the Ministry of Energy and Resources have in the potash revenue assumptions for the 2009/10 budget?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 52:

To the Minister of Finance: As the government developed its revenue assumptions for potash for the 2009/10 budget, what external analysts or consultants were either contacted, consulted or utilized?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 53:

To the Minister of Finance: As the government developed its revenue assumptions for potash for the 2009/10 budget which specific individuals from private industry were consulted?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 54:

To the Minister of Finance: As the government developed its revenue assumptions for potash for the 2009/10 budget what specific data suggested that its assumptions as it relates to potash price were appropriate?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 55:

To the Minister of Finance: How many Saskatchewan potash workers had the Saskatchewan potash producers laid-off or had they announced as potential lay-offs in 2008 and 2009, by the day of tabling of the 2009/10 budget in March?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 56:

To the Minister of Finance: How much has the government spent in total, all ministries and executive council combined, on communicating the 2009/10 budget, including all programs and infrastructure projects, from any and all sources of communications?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 57:

To the Minister of Finance: How many tonnes of potash production had Saskatchewan potash producers indicated that they had reduced, or were reducing in 2008 and 2009, by the day of tabling of the 2009/10 budget in March?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 58:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) Will SaskPower be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 59:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) If one or more private 1000 MW nuclear reactors were constructed in Saskatchewan what would be the percentage of the power supply that they would provide in ten years? (2) Twenty years?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 60:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) Have there been projected SaskPower rate increases associated with producing 3000 MW of nuclear power? (2) If so, what are those projections?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 61:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What is SaskPower's estimate of the cost (on a per kWh basis) for each of the following type of energy generation: (1) Nuclear? (2) Wind? (3) Coal? (4) Natural Gas? (5) Biomass? (6) Solar? (7) Geothermal?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 62:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) Will SaskEnergy be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 63:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: (1) How many times did the Privacy Commissioner investigate breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations by the Public Service Commission in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 64:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: For every time the Privacy Commissioner investigated breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations by the Public Service Commission in 2008/09, what was the nature of each of those breaches?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 65:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) Has SaskTel recently changed their policies on monthly fees for pre-paid cellular phone cards? (2) If so, what was the cost of the card before the change and after the change?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 66:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) Has the government legislation on gift card expiries had any effect on SaskTel, particularly has it had any effect on prepaid phone cards? (2) If so, what is the effect?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 67:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) Will SaskTel be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 68:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) Is SaskTel charging a per-month fee on prepaid cellular phone cards? (2) If so, how much is the fee? (3) When did this fee come into effect?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 69:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) What duties was Security Resource Group Inc. contracted to perform in the 2007/08 budget year? (2) What duties was Security Resource Group Inc. contracted to perform in the 2009/10 budget year? (3) Have the duties changed?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 70:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: How many service agreements, and with which entities, does the Information Technology Office have in place with government ministries, agencies, boards, commissioners, Crown corporations and other public sector agencies?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 71:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) What services did Security Resource Group Inc. provide in fiscal years 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 72:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) How much is being budgeted in Information Technology Office for the Olympics? (2) Please include a breakdown of the following: (a) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for agency officials. (b) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for the Minister and ministerial staff. (c) total budget for advertising and promotional activities? (d) overall total budget in your agency?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 73:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) Will Information Technology Office be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 74:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) What were the terms of the contract with Security Resource Group Inc. in the 2007/08 budget year? (2) What were the terms of the contract with Security Resource Group Inc. in the 2009/10 budget year? (3) Have the terms of the contract been changed?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 75:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) How many employees in the Information Technology Office have been designated as essential services under *The Public Service Essential Services Act*? (2) If no employees have been designated as essential under the Act, what is the management assessment of employees that they would deem essential?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 76:

To the Minister of Government Services: For every time the Privacy Commissioner investigated breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations by the Information Technology Office in 2008/09, what was the nature of each of those breaches?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 77:

To the Minister of Government Services: For every time the Privacy Commissioner investigated breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations by the Information Services Corporation in 2008/09, what was the nature of each of those breaches?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 78:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) How many times did the Privacy Commissioner investigate breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations by the Information Technology Office in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 79:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) How many times did the Privacy Commissioner investigate breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations by the Information Services Corporation in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 80:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) How much revenue was generated by CBO vehicle leases in (1) 2005/06? (2) 2006/07? (3) 2008/09? (4) 2009/10 to date?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 81:

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

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 82:

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

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 83:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many recommendations were being made by the coroner's inquest into the November 13, 2006, of Delbert Kenneth Pelletier at the Muskowekwan First Nation? (2) For each recommendation, has the government accepted the inquest's recommendations? (3) If the government has chosen to reject any of the inquest's recommendations, what was the reason for rejecting that recommendation? (4) For each recommendation, what progress has the government made towards implementing the recommendations it has accepted? (5) What is the government's timeline for completion of each of the recommendations?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 84:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What is the total number of special prosecutors employed by, or under contract to, the provincial government at the present time? (2) How many of those positions are government employees? (3) How many are people working under contract?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 85:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many special prosecutors are assigned to organized crime? (2) Where are these positions located? (3) When were these positions filled?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 86:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many special prosecutors are assigned to occupational health and safety? (2) Where are these positions located? (3) When were these positions filled?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 87:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many special prosecutors are assigned to areas other than organized crime and occupational health and safety? (2) What is the area they are assigned to? (3) Where are these positions located? (4) When were these positions filled?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 88:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) Are there specific rates for towing services contracted by SGI Salvage? (2) Are they applied equally across Saskatchewan? (3) What are those rates?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 89:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) Will SGI be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 90:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) Are there written guidelines or directives that determine how SGI Salvage contracts towing services throughout Saskatchewan? (2) If so, what are those guidelines or directions?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 91:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) How much is being budgeted in SLGA for the Olympics? (2) Please include a breakdown of the following: (a) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for agency officials. (b) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for the Minister and ministerial staff. (c) total budget for advertising and promotional activities. (d) overall total budget in your agency.

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 92:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) How many people have been released without cause from the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority since November 21, 2007? (2) What were their names? (3) What was the severance paid to each of them?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 93:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) How many employees in the SLGA have been designated as essential services under *The Public Service Essential Services Act*? (2) If no employees have been designated as essential under the Act, what is the management assessment of employees that they would deem essential?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 94:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) Will SLGA be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 95:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) What position does Ben Holden have with SLGA? (2) What are his total salary and benefits package worth on a yearly basis? (3) What expense accounts does he have access to? (4) What is the total that Mr. Holden has spent on expense accounts to date? (5) To what locations has Mr. Holden traveled to? (6) What were the costs of each of those trips, including travel and accommodations?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 96:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Did the Saskatchewan government conduct any consultations with municipalities or their representative organizations before announcing its support for the elimination of local preference policies for municipalities looking to procure goods and services? (2) If so, what were the dates and locations of these consultations?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 97:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects were approved for provincial funding under the first intake of the Building Canada Fund-Communities Portion program? (2) What was the total cost of each project? (3) What was the province's share of each? (4) What percentage of work has been completed on each project to date? (5) What percentage of the provincial government's share of the funding has been disbursed to each project to date?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 98:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects qualified for provincial funding under the first intake of the Building Canada Fund-Communities Portion program but were not approved for funding? (2) What were the reasons for the projects not being approved?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 99:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects were approved for provincial funding under the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Growth Initiative in Intake 1? (2) What was the total cost of each project? (3) What was the province's share of each project? (4) What percentage of work has been completed on each project to date? (5) What percentage of the provincial government's share of the funding has been disbursed to each project to date?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 100:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects qualified for provincial funding under the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Growth Initiative in Intake 1 but were not approved for funding? (2) What were the reasons for the projects not being approved?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 101:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects were approved for provincial funding under the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Growth Initiative in Intake 2? (2) What was the total cost of each project? (3) What was the province's share of each project? (4) What percentage of work has been completed on each project to date? (5) What percentage of the provincial government's share of the funding has been disbursed to each project to date?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 102:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects qualified for provincial funding under the second intake of the Building Canada Fund-Communities Portion program but were not approved for funding? (2) What were the reasons for the projects not being approved?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 103:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects qualified for provincial funding under the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Growth Initiative in Intake 2 but were not approved for funding? (2) What were the reasons for the projects not being approved?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 104:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects were approved for provincial funding under the second intake of the Building Canada Fund-Communities Portion program? (2) What was the total cost of each project? (3) What was the province's share of each? (4) What percentage of work has been completed on each project to date? (5) What percentage of the provincial government's share of the funding has been disbursed to each project to date?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 105:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects qualified for provincial funding under the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Growth Initiative in Intake 3 but were not approved for funding? (2) What were the reasons for the projects not being approved?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 106:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Which municipal infrastructure projects were approved for provincial funding under the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Growth Initiative in Intake 3? (2) What was the total cost of each project? (3) What was the province's share of each project? (4) What percentage of work has been completed on each project to date? (5) What percentage of the provincial government's share of the funding has been disbursed to each project to date?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 107:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) What is the government's timeline for upgrading Highway 102? (2) How much money has been allocated to this project? (3) What portions of the highway will be fixed?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 108:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many expropriations of land (not negotiated settlements) were there in 2009 to date?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 109:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many contracts to do work on Saskatchewan highways were awarded in 2008/09 that were completed in 2008/09?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 110:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many contractors receive contacts to work on Saskatchewan highways, other than forced account work in 2008/09? (2) 2007/08?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 111:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) What was the average cost per kilometer of the reconstruction work in 2008 and 2009 to date? (2) 2007? (3) 2006? (4) 2005? (5) 2004?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 112:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) When was the last time a traffic count was performed on Highway 39 between Regina and North Portal? (2) What was the result of that count? (3) How much of that traffic was commercial in nature?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 113:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) What is the government's timeline for upgrading the access road into Cumberland House on Highway 123? (2) How much money has been allocated to this project?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 114:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) How many of STC buses are equipped with an emergency response system? (2) What percentage of the fleet does that represent?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 115:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) For the emergency response systems for STC buses, what company supplied STC with the system? (2) What was the cost of the systems per bus? (3) Who installed the systems in each bus? (4) What was the cost of installing the systems per bus? (5) Who monitors the system? (6) What is the total cost of operation the system?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 116:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) Will STC be getting tickets to Olympic events, or passes to Olympic venues for the 2010 Olympics for any reason? (2) If so, to whom will these tickets be distributed? (3) Is there criteria for deciding who gets these tickets? (4) If so, what is the criteria?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 117:

To the Premier: (1) How many total settlements for dismissal without cause has this government paid out since November 31, 2007, including ministries, Crowns, and any other boards or agencies where the government owed a severance package (including payouts as a result of bumping or lay-offs)? (2) As a single number, what is the total dollar amount of all of those severance packages combined (ncluding any top-ups to pensions, travel and car allowances, and any other benefits that led to total settlement value for dismissed civil servants)?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 118:

To the Premier: For each of the civil servants that have been dismissed by the government since November 31, 2007, how many severance packages have yet to be paid out?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 119:

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. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 120:

To the Premier: (1) For all the individuals that were terminated without cause by this government, including government ministries and agencies, Crown corporations, executive council, and any other board or agency that the government needed to negotiate on behalf of, were any of the negotiations for severance done by private law firms as opposed to government HR people? (2) If so, which law firms were hired? (3) How much was paid to each law firm to handle these cases?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 121:

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. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 122:

To the Premier: (1) Since the answer to Written Question No. 169 of the previous Session was tabled, how many civil servants (including Crown corporation employees) have been dismissed by the government? (2) For each employee, please provide the following information: (a) what individual benefits is each employee being provided as part of the settlement? (b) how much is each benefit worth as part of the settlement for that employee? (c) what is the total settlement package for that employee valued at?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 123:

To the Premier: (1) Since the answer to Written Question No. 169 of the previous Session was tabled, how many civil servants (including Crown corporation employees) have had severance paid to them as a result of lay-offs or bumping? (2) What is the amount of the severance paid to each individual?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 124:

To the Premier: When was the severance package for each of the following people finalized: (1) Deb McDonald? (2) Barbara MacLean? (3) Bill Craik? (4) Lily Stonehouse? (5) John Wright? (6) Richard Gladue? (7) Bonnie Durnford? (8) Harvey Brooks?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 125:

To the Premier: What is the total dollar amount of the severance packages (including any top-ups to pensions, travel and car allowances, and any other benefits) for the following people: (1) Deb McDonald? (2) Barbara MacLean? (3) Bill Craik? (4) Lily Stonehouse? (5) John Wright? (6) Richard Gladue? (7) Bonnie Durnford? (8) Harvey Brooks? (9) Tim Korol? (10) Allan Hansen?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 126:

To the Premier: Written Question No. 171 of the last Session was "For each of the civil servants that have been dismissed by the government since November 31, 2001 how many severance packages have yet to be paid?" The answer tabled was "3". (1) Were any of the following people – Deb McDonald, Barbara MacLean, Bill Craik, Lily Stonehouse, John Wright, Richard Gladue, Bonnie Durnford, Harvey Brooks – included in that answer of 3? (2) If not, why not?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 127:

To the Premier: (1) Since the answer to Written Question No. 169 of the previous Session was tabled, has there been any further settlements made with any dismissed civil servants, including CIC officials, Crown employees, or any other government employee? (2) If so, how many settlements?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 128:

To the Premier: For each of the civil servants, including CIC officials, Crown employees, or any other government employee that has been dismissed by the government since November 31, 2007, how many severance packages have yet to be paid?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 129:

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

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 130:

To the Premier: As of September 1, 2009, what is the total monthly cost of salaries and benefits in Executive Council (not including Minister's offices)?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 131:

To the Premier: (1) As of September 1, 2009, how many employees work in Executive Council, not including minister's offices? (2) For each person, what is their job description? (3) What is their monthly salary? (4) What was their initial monthly salary on the day they were hired?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 132:

To the Premier: (1) How much money has been budgeted on the "Ready for Growth" advertising campaign? (2) What methods of advertising (billboards, radio ads, etc.) have been budgeted for? (3) What locations will these purchases be made in?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 133:

To the Premier: (1) How much money has been spent on the "Ready for Growth" advertising campaign? (2) What methods of advertising (billboards, radio ads, etc.) were purchased? (3) What locations were those purchases made in?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 134:

To the Premier: (1) Has the government spent any money on the western branch of the "public policy forum"? (2) If so please detail the following: (a) how much money is being spent? (b) which government agencies or Crown corporations are spending the money? (c) what is the stated purpose of the spending?

For the purpose of this question "spending" includes direct government payments, loans, loan guarantees, grants, or any other type of transfer of resources from government to this agency.

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 135:

To the Premier: (1) Since the answer to the last Written Question on this topic, has Angus Reid been contracted by the government (including Executive Council, ministries, CIC or individual Crown corporations) since November 7, 2007? (2) If so, what were the terms of that contract and how much were they paid?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 136:

To the Premier: (1) Has Garnet Garvin received any payout, severance or otherwise, as a result of his leaving the employment of the government of Saskatchewan? (2) What were the amount of these payments and for what purpose? (3) If there is any kind of severance package, please include all details such as pension and benefit payments.

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 137:

To the Premier: (1) Has Doug Emsley received any remuneration from executive government (including minister's offices) or Crown corporations since November 7, 2007 that has not already been reported? (2) If so, what remuneration was given?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 138:

To the Minister of Social Services: What actions is the government of Saskatchewan undertaking to ensure the quick ratification and full implementation by the Saskatchewan government and the federal government of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its optional protocol?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 139:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) Has there been a review at the Central Vehicle Agency (CVA) of vehicle leasing to Community Based Organizations (CBOs)? (2) If yes, over what period of time was the review undertaken and when was the review completed? (3) What were the terms of reference of the review? (4) What were the conclusions of the review? (5) How and when were CBOs informed of the review? (6) Have policies affecting leasing vehicles to CBOs changed as a result of this review? (7) If policies have changed, how have they changed? (8) How and when were CBOs informed of the changes?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 140:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many polling or public research contracts, such as focus groups, that were engaged by the Ministry of Social Services in the current year 2009 to date? (2) What were the names of the firm engaged? (3) What date were the contracts signed? (4) What was the amount of each contract?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 141:

To the Minister of Social Services: What money has been spent on Social Services facilities in 2009 to date? For each expenditure please provide the name of the facility and the community it is located in.

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 142:

To the Minister of Social Services: What projects have been deferred by the government's October 16, 2009 announcement that \$1.5 million in Community Development Trust money will be deferred?