



No. 35

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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Tuesday, March 23, 2010

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: McCall, Harper, Trew, Higgins, Junor, Atkinson, Forbes, Vermette, Broten, Furber, Morin, Iwanchuk, Taylor, Quennell, Wotherspoon and Chartier.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel informed the Assembly that on March 22, 2010, a certain Petition regarding funding of the First Nations University of Canada was presented. Pursuant to Rule 16(4) the petition was found to be irregular and therefore was not read and received.

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 invest in the planning and construction of new long-term care beds in La Ronge.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

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. 4)

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. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to invest in an affordable housing program throughout the Battlefords.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 6)

Of the citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to manage the provincial finances more responsibly and prudently.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 7)

Of the citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to withdraw Bill No. 80 – The Construction Industrial Labour Relations Amendment Act, 2009.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to commit to providing repairs to Highway 310.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 44)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to enact some form of rent control to protect Saskatchewan renters from unreasonable increases in rent.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 51)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to develop an effective and sustainable poverty elimination strategy for the benefit of all Saskatchewan citizens.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 62)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to implement the Saskatchewan Scholarship Fund.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 103)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to implement a long-term tuition management strategy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 104)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately reduce the interest on fixed-rate student loans.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 105)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to direct marriage commissioners to uphold the law and the equality rights of all Saskatchewan couples.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to honour the agreement negotiated between the Ministry of Health and the Chiropractors' Association of Saskatchewan.
(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 116)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 928 to 970, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 889 to 927, pursuant to Rule 20(5), the questions were converted and Orders for Returns were issued:

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 264 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The amount that has been spent to date advertising saskjobs.ca within Saskatchewan.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 265 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The amount that has been spent to date advertising saskjobs.ca outside of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 266 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How much has been spent to date on advertising saskjobs.ca in each of the other provinces.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 267 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) With regard to saskjobs.ca, the companies that received the contracts for in-province advertising of saskjobs.ca in 2009. (2) How the process was tendered. (3) How the bids were received. (4) The average bid. (5) The lowest bid. (6) The highest bid. (7) If the lowest bid received the contract.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 268 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) With regard to saskjobs.ca, the companies that received the contracts for each out-of-province advertising project of saskjobs.ca in 2009. (2) How were the processes tendered. (3) The amount of bids that were received for each project. (4) The average bid for each project. (5) The lowest bid for each project. (6) The highest bid for each project. (7) If the lowest bid for each project receive the contract.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 269 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) With regard to saskjobs.ca, the out-of-province recruiting missions that occurred in the 2009 calendar year. (2) The person from the Government of Saskatchewan that participated in each mission. (3) That amount that each recruiting mission cost in total. (4) The breakdown of the total cost of each recruiting mission.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 270 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The other ministries, Crowns or agencies that contributed money towards out-of-province recruiting missions in the 2009 calendar year. (2) The names of these ministries, Crowns or agencies. (3) The amount each contributed.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 271 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How the interest rate on student loans are determined.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 272 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The average debt load of university students upon completion of a four-year degree in 2007. (2) 2008. (3) 2009.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 273 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The average debt load of university students upon completion of a master's degree in 2007. (2) 2008. (3) 2009.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 274 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average debt load of university students upon completion of a doctoral degree in 2009.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 275 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The average debt load of SIAST students upon completion of a program in 2007. (2) 2008. (3) 2009.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 276 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The average debt load of Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technology students upon completion of a program in 2007. (2) 2008. (3) 2009.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 277 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The average debt load of Dumont Technical Institute students upon completion of a program in 2007. (2) 2008. (3) 2009.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 278 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The average debt load of Regional College students upon completion of a program in 2007. (2) 2008. (3) 2009.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 279 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Skilled Workers' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 280 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Entrepreneur' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 281 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Family Members' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 282 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Farm Owners/Operators' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 283 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Health Professions' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 284 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Hospitality Sector' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 285 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Long Haul Truck Drivers' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 286 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The average wait time in 2009 for the 'Student' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 287 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Skilled Workers' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 288 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Entrepreneur' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 289 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Family Members' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program?

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 290 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Farm Owners/Operators' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 291 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Health Professions' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program?

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 292 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Hospitality Sector' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 293 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Long Haul Truck Drivers' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 294 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were received in 2009 for the 'Student' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 295 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Skilled Workers' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 296 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Entrepreneur' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 297 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Family Members' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 298 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Farm Owners/Operators' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 299 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Health Professions' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 300 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Hospitality Sector' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 301 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Long Haul Truck Drivers' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 302 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: The number of applications that were approved in 2009 for the 'Student' category of the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program.

ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

Bill No. 133 – The Tobacco Control Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris: That Bill No. 133 – The Tobacco Control 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. Harrison, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 133 – The Tobacco Control Amendment Act, 2009 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

Bill No. 97 – The Agri-Food Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud: That Bill No. 97 – The Agri-Food 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. Gantefoer, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 97 – The Agri-Food Amendment Act, 2009 – was committed to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

Bill No. 109 – The Municipalities Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison: That Bill No. 109 – The Municipalities Amendment Act, 2009 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 110 – The Northern Municipalities Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison: That Bill No. 110 – The Northern Municipalities Act, 2009 – 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. 110 – The Northern Municipalities Act, 2009, it was on motion of Mr. Forbes, adjourned.

Bill No. 111 – The Northern Municipalities Consequential Amendments Act, 2009
Projet de loi n° 111 – Loi de 2009 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Northern Municipalities Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison: That Bill No. 111 – The Northern Municipalities Consequential Amendments Act, 2009 – be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Harrison: Que le projet de loi n° 111 – Loi de 2009 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Northern Municipalities Act, 2009 – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Trew, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 108 – The Cities Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison: That Bill No. 108 – The Cities Amendment Act, 2009 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 122 – The Environmental Assessment Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Heppner: That Bill No. 122 – The Environmental Assessment Amendment Act, 2009 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, the Acting 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

RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following Returns which were Ordered by the Assembly on March 16, 2010, were laid upon the Table:

Return Nos. 54 and 113-154 by Ms. Morin

(Sessional Paper Nos. 121 and 180-221)

Return Nos. 55-112 by Mr. Broten

(Sessional Paper Nos. 122-179)

The following Returns which were Ordered by the Assembly on March 17, 2010, were laid upon the Table:

Return Nos. 155-165 by Mr. Wotherspoon

(Sessional Paper Nos. 222-232)

Return Nos. 166-172 by Mr. Yates

(Sessional Paper Nos. 233-239)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 928, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) With regard to the province's coyote bounty, what is the total number of coyotes that have been killed under this program to date? (2) What is the total provincial bounty paid under this program to date?

Answer:

- (1) 30,500 (as of March 16, 2010).
- (2) \$420,660 (paid as of March 16, 2010).

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 929, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) What is the average net income for Saskatchewan hog producers in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009?

Answer:

- (1) Data not available.
- (2) Data not available.
- (3) Data not available.
- (4) Data not available.
- (5) Data not available.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 930, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) What was the average net income for Saskatchewan cattle producers in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009?

Answer:

- (1) Data not available.
- (2) Data not available.
- (3) Data not available.
- (4) Data not available.
- (5) Data not available.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 931, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) What was the average net income for Saskatchewan farmers in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009?

Answer:

- (1) Data not available.
- (2) Data not available.
- (3) Data not available.
- (4) Data not available.
- (5) Data not available.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 932, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) What was the total cost associated with moving the administration of the AgriStability Program from Winnipeg to Melville? (2) How many new employment positions were created by moving the AgriStability program to Melville? (3) How many people who were previously employed with the AgriStability program are still employed with the AgriStability program now that it is located in Melville?

Answer:

- (1) N/A
- (2) 140
- (3) 25

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 933, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How many producers applied for assistance under the AgriRecovery program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10? (4) How many producers received assistance from the AgriRecovery Program in 2007/08? (5) 2008/09? (6) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) Nil.
- (2) Nil.
- (3) Nil.
- (4) Nil.
- (5) Nil.
- (6) Nil.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 934, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How much money did the federal government contribute to the AgriRecovery Program in 2008/09? (2) 2009/10? (3) How much money did the provincial government contribute to the AgriRecovery Program in 2008/09? (4) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) Nil.
- (2) Nil.
- (3) Nil.
- (4) Nil.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 935, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in SaskTel in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

- (1) This information is publicly available in SaskTel's 2006 and 2007 annual reports.
- (2) This information is publicly available in SaskTel's 2007 and 2008 annual reports.
- (3) This information is publicly available in SaskTel's 2008 annual report, and in SaskTel's 2009 annual report which will be tabled in April, 2010.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 936, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in SaskEnergy in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

Please note that SaskEnergy's fiscal year end is December 31 and not March 31. Debt-equity ratios throughout each calendar year can be found in SaskEnergy's quarterly and for the years 2006 to 2008, available at: http://www.saskenergy.com/about_saskenergy/default.asp. The 2009 SaskEnergy annual report will be tabled in April.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 937, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Heppner:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in the Saskatchewan Water Corporation in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

This information is publicly available in SaskWater's annual reports for the years 2006 to 2008. The 2009 annual report will be available in April of this year.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 938, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in the Saskatchewan Transportation Company in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

- (1) STC does not have any debt, therefore the debt-to-equity ratio is 0.
- (2) Nil.
- (3) Nil.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 939, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyd:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in the Saskatchewan Power Corporation in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

This information is publicly available in SaskPower's annual reports for the years 2006 to 2008. The 2009 annual report will be available in April of this year.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 940, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyd:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in the Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

This information is publicly available in Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation's annual reports for the years 2006 to 2008. The 2009 annual report will be available in April of this year.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 941, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Draude:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in Saskatchewan Government Insurance in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

SGI does not have any debt and, therefore, does not have a debt-to-equity ratio.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 942, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Hutchinson:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

- (1) N/A. Sask Gaming did not have any retained earnings in 2006/07 or 2007/08 as all of its income was paid to the General Revenue Fund.
- (2) N/A. Sask Gaming did not have any retained earnings in 2006/07 or 2007/08 as all of its income was paid to the General Revenue Fund.
- (3) SaskGaming's fiscal year end is December 31 of each year. This information is available in Sask Gaming's annual report for 2008. The 2009 annual report will be available in April.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 943, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in Investment Saskatchewan in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

- (1) Investment Saskatchewan's consolidated debt-to-equity ratio for 2006 through 2008 is available in Investment Saskatchewan's annual reports online at: <http://www.investsask.com/annualreport.php>.
- (2) Same as above.
- (3) The 2009 annual report will be available in April.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 944, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: (1) What was the debt-to-equity ratio in Crown Investments Corporation in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Answer:

- (1) CIC's consolidated debt-to-equity ratio for 2006 through 2008 is available in CIC's annual reports on-line at <http://www.cicorp.sk.ca>.
- (2) Same as above.
- (3) The 2009 annual report will be available in April.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 945, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many contractors received contracts to do work on Saskatchewan highways, other than forced account work, in 2009?

Answer:

113 Contractors.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 946, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many contracts to do work on Saskatchewan highways were awarded in 2009 that were completed in 2009?

Answer:

146 Contracts.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 947, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many kilometers of Saskatchewan highways received asphalt covering in 2009?

Answer:

1665 km.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 948, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many kilometers of Saskatchewan highways received a dust free covering other than asphalt in 2009?

Answer:

N/A – All dust free coverings include asphalt.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 949, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many contracts to do work on Saskatchewan highways included earth moving work in 2009?

Answer:

15 contracts.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 950, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many kilometres of earth moving work was contracted in 2009?

Answer:

182.4 km.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 951, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What were the names of the contractors who were awarded earth moving contracts in 2009?

Answer:

BMTR Ventures Ltd.
BYZ Construction Inc.
Cee Gee Southern Inc.
Johnston Bros. Ltd.
Kay's Construction Inc.
Kowal Construction Alta. Ltd.
North American Rock and Dirt Inc.
Points Athabasca Contracting Ltd.
Potzus Construction Ltd.
R & B Crushing Ltd.
W.F. Botkin Construction
Wappel Construction Co. Ltd.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 952, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the total dollar amount of each of the earth moving contracts in 2009?

Answer:

BMTR Ventures Ltd.	\$ 6,019,757
BYZ Construction Inc.	\$15,738,494
Cee Gee Southern Inc.	\$ 2,611,766
Johnston Bros. Ltd.	\$ 4,505,547
Kay's Construction Inc.	\$10,097,900
Kowal Construction Alta. Ltd.	\$11,560,750
Kowal Construction Alta. Ltd.	\$ 6,277,390
North American Rock and Dirt Inc.	\$ 7,272,973
Points Athabasca Contracting Ltd.	\$ 2,819,223
Potzus Construction Ltd.	\$ 8,249,100
R & B Crushing Ltd.	\$ 5,963,866
R & B Crushing Ltd.	\$10,923,742
W.F. Botkin Construction	\$ 9,035,509
W.F. Botkin Construction	\$ 9,306,875
Wappel Construction Co. Ltd.	\$ 542,145

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 953, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many of the earth moving contracts were completed in 2009? (2) Which were they?

Answer:

- (1) 3 contracts.
- (2) Cee Gee Southern Inc.
North American Rock and Dirt Inc.
Wappel Construction Co. Ltd.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 954, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many contracts were awarded to supply the Highways ministry with aggregate in 2009?

Answer:

54 contracts.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 955, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the total cubic meters of the entire contracts awarded to supply the ministry with aggregate in 2009?

Answer:

1,224,615 m³.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 956, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the total dollar amount of the aggregate contract awarded the ministry in 2009?

Answer:

\$34,057,000

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 957, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many cubic meters of pit run aggregate were contracted by the ministry in 2009? (2) Who received the contracts?

Answer:

- (1) 362,800 m³.
- (2) D & R Contracting Ltd.
H.J.R. Asphalt Ltd.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 958, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many cubic meters of screened aggregate were contracted by the ministry in 2009? (2) Who received the contacts?

Answer:

- (1) 7,825 m³.
- (2) AMK Construction Ltd.
Jackson Bros. Bob Cat Service
MoCon Construction Ltd.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 959, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many cubic meters of crushed aggregate were contracted by the ministry in 2009? (2) Who received the contracts?

Answer:

- (1) 852,990 m3.
- (2) Anderson Rental and Paving Ltd.
Asiniy Gravel Crushing Limited Partnership
Baschuk Construction Ltd.
Big Rock Trucking Ltd.
BLS Asphalt Inc.
Buddwill Enterprises Ltd.
Carmacks Enterprises Ltd.
Central Asphalt & Paving Ltd.
G.W. Construction Ltd.
H.J.R. Asphalt Ltd.
J. Schill Trucking Ltd.
Kirsch Construction 1994 Ltd.
Koncrete Construction Group
L & G Crushing Corp.
Langenburg RediMix Ltd.
LNB Construction Inc.
Lonesome Prairie Sand & Gravel Ltd.
Lux Construction Ltd.
McKeen's Trucking Service Ltd.
Melron Services
MoCon Construction Ltd.
Morsky Construction Ltd.
Palliser Aggregates Ltd.
Pavement Scientific International
Peter Crushing and Hauling Ltd.
Potzus Paving and Road Maintenance
R & B Crushing Ltd.
Venture Construction Inc.
W.F. Botkin Construction Ltd.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 960, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: With regards to the land that was expropriated for the Global Transportation Hub west of Regina, how was fair market value for the land calculated?

Answer:

The market value for the land was determined by independent professional appraisers in accordance with the Appraisal Institute of Canada at the date of expropriation.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 961, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: With regards to the land that was expropriated for the Global Transportation Hub west of Regina, was fair market value for the land calculated on the basis of the accepted real estate concept that fair market value is based on the highest and best use of the property?

Answer:

All appraisals were performed in accordance with accepted appraisal methods in accordance with the Appraisal Institute of Canada and values were determined based on highest and best use principals taking into consideration the current state of development of the land at the date of expropriation

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 962, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How many passengers did STC carry in total in 2009?

Answer:

258,534

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 963, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How many pieces of freight did STC deliver in total in 2009?

Answer:

Approximately 1,166,000.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 964, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How many passengers purchased STC tickets at the Regina depot in total in 2009?

Answer:

34,936

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 965, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How many passengers purchased STC tickets at the Saskatoon depot in total in 2009?

Answer:

47,811

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 966, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) How many of STC buses are equipped with hands-free phone system? (2) Which company supplied STC with the hands-free systems? (3) What was the cost of the systems per bus?

Answer:

(1) 45

(2) Prairie Mobile Communications, a SaskTel dealer.

(3) \$620, which includes phone and installation plus external antenna and headset.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 967, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: What company supplies fuel to STC for use in the buses in 2009?

Answer:

Federated Co-operatives Limited.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 968, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How many litres of fuel did STC purchase for its bus fleet in 2009?

Answer:

1,755,281 litres.

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 969, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How many miles per litre does and STC bus average over a year of service?

Answer:

Large coaches (47/55 passenger) average 2.94km/l (8.31mpg). Smaller coaches (20/22 passenger) average 3.38 km/l (9.56 mpg).

Mr. Harper asked the Government the following Question No. 970, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) How many tires were purchased by STC for the bus fleet? (2) Who supplied the tires? (3) Were the tire purchases tendered? (4) What were the names of the dealers or companies that applied to the tire tender call?

Answer:

(1) 130

(2) Quality Tire, R&R Tire and Kal Tire.

(3) No, "Request for Quote" process is used.

(4) Quotes were received from Quality Tire, R&R Tire, Kal Tire and Fountain Tire.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 32 and are to be answered by day no. 37:

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 971:

To the Premier: How many out-of-province trips did the Premier make in the 2009 calendar year?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 972:

To the Premier: What was the purpose of each of the Premier's out-of-province trips in the 2009 calendar year?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 973:

To the Premier: Who accompanied the Premier on each of his out-of-province trips in the 2009 calendar year?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 974:

To the Premier: What was the cost of each of the Premier's out-of-province trips in the 2009 calendar year?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 975:

To the Premier: How many staff were employed in the Premier's office as of March 1, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 976:

To the Premier: How many staff were employed in Executive Council as of March 1, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 977:

To the Premier: How many vacancies existed in the Premier's office as of March 1, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 978:

To the Premier: How many vacancies existed in Executive Council as of March 1, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 979:

To the Premier: How many staff in Executive Council are primarily focused on communications?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 980:

To the Premier: How many staff in Executive Council are primarily focused on finance?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 981:

To the Premier: How many staff in Executive Council are primarily focused on house business?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 982:

To the Premier: How many staff in Executive Council are primarily focused on policy and planning?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 983:

To the Premier: How many staff in Executive Council are primarily focused on house business and research?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 984:

To the Premier: What is the policy regarding use of personal vehicles for government business by staff of Executive Council and Ministers' offices?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 985:

To the Premier: How many trips were made by staff of Executive Council and Ministers' offices using their personal vehicles for government business in the calendar year 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 986:

To the Premier: What was the total amount of money paid in mileage reimbursement for staff of Executive Council and Ministers' offices who used their personal vehicles for government business in the calendar year 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 987:

To the Premier: How many Ministers have not accepted the assignment of a CVA vehicle and have opted instead to use their personal vehicles for government business?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 988:

To the Premier: How many trips were made by Ministers using their personal vehicles for government business in the calendar year 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 989:

To the Premier: What was the total amount of money paid in mileage reimbursement to Ministers who used their personal vehicles for government business in the calendar year 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 990:

To the Premier: How many Executive Council staff have CVA vehicles assigned to them?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 991:

To the Premier: How many CVA vehicles are assigned to the Premier's Office?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 992:

To the Premier: How many staff in the office of the Deputy Minister to the Premier have CVA vehicles assigned to them and what are the titles of those staff?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 993:

To the Premier: How many staff in the Cabinet Secretariat have CVA vehicles assigned to them and what are the titles of those staff?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 994:

To the Premier: How many staff in the Cabinet Planning Branch of Executive Council have CVA vehicles assigned to them and what are the titles of those staff?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 995:

To the Premier: How many staff in the Premier's Correspondence Unit have CVA vehicles assigned to them and what are the titles of those staff?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 996:

To the Premier: How many staff in the office of the Chief of Staff to the Premier have CVA vehicles assigned to them and what are the titles of those staff?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 997:

To the Premier: How many staff in Executive Council Communications have CVA vehicles assigned to them and what are the titles of those staff?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 998:

To the Premier: How many staff in the Intergovernmental Affairs branch of Executive Council have CVA vehicles assigned to them and what are the titles of those staff?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 999:

To the Premier: (1) How many Executive Council staff transferred to ministries in 2007/08? (2) What were their original roles in Executive Council? (3) What roles did they transfer into within ministries? (4) To which ministries did they transfer?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1000:

To the Premier: (1) How many Executive Council staff transferred to ministries in 2008/09? (2) What were their original roles in Executive Council? (3) What roles did they transfer into within ministries? (4) To which ministries did they transfer?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1001:

To the Premier: (1) How many Executive Council staff transferred to ministries so far in 2009/10? (2) What were their original roles in Executive Council? (3) What roles did they transfer into within ministries? (4) To which ministries did they transfer?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1002:

To the Premier: (1) How many Executive Council staff transferred to Crown corporations in 2007/08? (2) What were their original roles in Executive Council? (3) What roles did they transfer into within Crown corporations? (4) To which Crown corporations did they transfer?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1003:

To the Premier: (1) How many Executive Council staff transferred to Crown corporations in 2008/09? (2) What were their original roles in Executive Council? (3) What roles did they transfer into within Crown corporations? (4) To which Crown corporations did they transfer?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1004:

To the Premier: (1) How many Executive Council staff transferred to Crown corporations so far in 2009/10? (2) What were their original roles in Executive Council? (3) What roles did they transfer into within Crown corporations? (4) To which Crown corporations did they transfer?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1005:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many long-term care beds are in the Five Hills Health Region? (2) How many long-term care residents are in acute care beds in the Five Hills Health Region? (3) How many patients are on waiting lists for long-term care beds in the Five Hills Health Region? (4) How long is the average wait for a long-term care bed in the Five Hills Health Region?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1006:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many residents currently reside at Valley View Centre in Moose Jaw? (2) How many staff are currently employed at Valley View Centre in Moose Jaw? (3) How

many staff were employed at Valley View Centre in November 2009? (4) How many were full-time? (5) How many were part-time? (6) How many were casual? (7) How many staff were employed at Valley View Centre in November 2007? (8) How many were full-time? (9) How many were part-time? (10) How many were casual? (11) How many positions are currently vacant at Valley View Centre? (12) Which position are vacant? (13) Which positions, if any, were filled over the 2008/09 budget year? (14) Were they full-time, part-time or casual? (15) Which positions, if any, have been filled over the 2009/10 budget year to date? (16) Were they full-time, part-time or casual? (17) Which positions, if any, were abolished over the 2008/09 budget year? (18) Were they full-time, part-time or casual? (19) Which positions have been abolished over the 2009/10 budget year to date? (20) Were they full-time, part-time or casual?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1007:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What is the admissions policy at Valley View Centre in Moose Jaw? (2) Have any changes been made since November 2007? (3) If the current policy at Valley View is to not allow any admissions, where do non-residents receive or access appropriate services in the community?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1008:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) Are any discussions currently underway concerning the closure of Valley View Centre in Moose Jaw? (2) Who has been involved in the discussions? (3) What outside organizations have been consulted concerning future options for the current Valley View residents? (4) have any decisions been made concerning the closure of Valley View?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1009:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) Where is the Moose Jaw Union Hospital expansion project on the capital funding queue for the Ministry's capital projects? (2) What remains of the allocation of planning dollars for the Moose Jaw Hospital expansion?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 33 and are to be answered by day no. 38:

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1010:

To the Minister of Health: How many Filipino nurses have been recruited to work in Saskatchewan's health care system since 2007?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1011:

To the Minister of Health: How many Filipino nurses recruited since November 2007 are still in Saskatchewan working in the health care system?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1012:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many people graduated from the Saskatchewan Nursing College in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1013:

To the Minister of Health: How many nursing college graduates committed to working positions in Saskatchewan from the 2007 graduating class?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1014:

To the Minister of Health: How many nursing college graduates committed to working positions in Saskatchewan from the 2008 graduating class?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1015:

To the Minister of Health: How many nursing college graduates committed to working positions in Saskatchewan from the 2009 graduating class?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1016:

To the Minister of Health: How many nursing college graduates committed to working positions in Saskatchewan from the 2010 graduating class?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1017:

To the Minister of Health: How many physicians have indicated that they will be leaving their rural practices in 2010?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1018:

To the Minister of Health: How many rural hospitals have had no emergency services and had to temporarily close between November 2007 and March 2010?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1019:

To the Minister of Health: What is the average length of closure of rural hospitals, in days, between November 2007 and March 2010 due to lack of physicians?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1020:

To the Minister of Health: How many front line staff home care positions are there in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill, Prairie North, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon, Sun Country, Cypress, Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sunrise)?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1021:

To the Minister of Health: How many front line staff home care position vacancies are there as of March 2010 in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill, Prairie North, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon, Sun Country, Cypress, Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sunrise)?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1022:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) On October 16, 2009, a government news release stated: “The ministry will now hire a consultant to develop a Blackstrap Provincial Park Renewal Plan. The consultant will engage area residents and stakeholders to develop recommendations the ministry can use to improve the recreational offerings at Blackstrap Provincial Park.” Has a consultant been hired? (2) What is the name of this consultant? (3) What are the terms of reference for this consultant’s work? (4) How much is the consultant being paid over the term of the contract? (5) Has the consultant conducted consultations as part of their work? (6) If so, what are the dates that those consultations took place? (7) What stakeholders took part in each of those consultation meetings? (8) How much did it cost to hold each meeting?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1023:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) On October 16, 2009, a government news release stated that the ski equipment at Blackstrap Provincial Park would be removed and sold, has the equipment been sold? (2) If so, to whom? (3) What was the sale price?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1024:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many cabins were sold in provincial parks in 2009/10? (2) In which provincial parks were those cabins located? (3) How much were these cabins appraised for? (4) How much were these cabins sold for? (5) To whom were these cabins sold?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1025:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many cabins were sold in provincial parks in 2008/09? (2) In which provincial parks were those cabins located? (3) How much were these cabins appraised for? (4) How much were these cabins sold for? (5) To whom were these cabins sold?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1026:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many cabins were sold in provincial parks in 2007/08? (2) In which provincial parks were those cabins located? (3) How much were these cabins appraised for? (4) How much were these cabins sold for? (5) To whom were these cabins sold?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1027:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many cabins were sold in provincial parks in 2006/07? (2) In which provincial parks were those cabins located? (3) How much were these cabins appraised for? (4) How much were these cabins sold for? (5) To whom were these cabins sold?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1028:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many cabins were sold in provincial parks in 2005/06? (2) In which provincial parks were those cabins located? (3) How much were these cabins appraised for? (4) How much were these cabins sold for? (5) To whom were these cabins sold?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1029:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many cabins were sold in provincial parks in 2004/05? (2) In which provincial parks were those cabins located? (3) How much were these cabins appraised for? (4) How much were these cabins sold for? (5) To whom were these cabins sold?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1030:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) How many cabins were sold in provincial parks in 2003/04? (2) In which provincial parks were those cabins located? (3) How much were these cabins appraised for? (4) How much were these cabins sold for? (5) To whom were these cabins sold?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1031:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) In what year was the Redberry Lake Biosphere Reserve first placed under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport? (2) In what year was responsibility for the Redberry Lake Biosphere Reserve moved from the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport back to the Ministry of Environment? (3) What was the rationale for this transfer of responsibility? (4) In what year did the Redberry Lake Biosphere Reserve first receive funding from the Government of Saskatchewan? (5) How much funding did the Redberry Lake Biosphere Reserve receive each year from the Government of Saskatchewan?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 34 and are to be answered by day no. 39:

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1032:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of LPNs at Sherbrooke Senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1033:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many long-term care beds were for profit in Saskatchewan in December 2007? (2) December 2008? (3) December 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1034:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the rate of deaths in long-term care facilities in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1035:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many long-term care beds were in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill, Prairie North, Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon, Sun Country, Cypress, Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sunrise) in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1036:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the average wait time to get long-term care placement in each of the 13 health regions (Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthe, Mamawetan Churchill, Prairie North, Prince Albert

Parkland, Kelsey Trail, Heartland, Saskatoon, Sun Country, Cypress, Five Hills, Regina Qu'Appelle and Sunrise) in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1037:

To the Minister of Health: Does the Ombudsman have full and legal authority and sufficient resources to properly and effectively scrutinize health facilities?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1038:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What were the worked hours per resident per day in long-term care in Saskatchewan in December 2007? (2) December 2008? (3) December 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1039:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many long-term care residents received OAS and GIS only in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1040:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of RPNs at Sherbrooke senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1041:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of RNs at Sherbrooke senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1042:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of SCAs at Sherbrooke senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1043:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of LPNs at Pioneer Village senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1044:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of RNs at Pioneer Village Senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1045:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of RPNs at Pioneer Village Senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1046:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the turnover rate of SCAs at Pioneer Village Senior citizen home in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1047:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many out-of-scope employees were there at Casino Regina in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1048:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) What were the out-of-scope positions at the Casino Regina in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1049:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many in-scope employees were there at Casino Regina in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1050:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) What were the in-scope positions at Casino Regina in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1051:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many of the in-scope positions at Casino Regina were full-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1052:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) Which positions at Casino Regina were full-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1053:

To the Minister of Health: What is the recommended number of doctors to service the Moose Jaw Five Hills Health Region (please break down by specialty)?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1054:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) Which positions at Casino Regina were part-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1055:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many of in-scope positions at Casino Regina were part-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1056:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) Which positions at Casino Regina were casual in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1057:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many out-of-scope employees were there at Casino Moose Jaw in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1058:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) What were the out-of-scope positions at the Casino Moose Jaw in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1059:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many in-scope employees were there at Casino Moose Jaw in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1060:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) What were the in-scope positions at Casino Moose Jaw in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1061:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many of the in-scope positions at Casino Moose Jaw were full-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1062:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) Which positions at Casino Moose Jaw were full-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1063:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many of the in-scope positions at Casino Moose Jaw were part-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1064:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) Which positions at Casino Moose Jaw were part-time in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1065:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) How many of the in-scope positions at Casino Moose Jaw were casual in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1066:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) Which positions at Casino Moose Jaw were casual in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1067:

To the Minister of Government Services: What is the policy and process for the disposal of surplus government-owned buildings?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1068:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What is the policy and process for the disposal of surplus buildings owned by the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1069:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) How many buildings were disposed of in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1070:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) What process was followed to dispose of surplus SLGA buildings in 2007? (2) 2008? (3) 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1071:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) Has the SLGA made a decision to change current signage on the province's liquor outlets? (2) If so, what is the rationale for that decision? (3) What would the cost of such a change be?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1072:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Ponteix for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1073:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Ituna for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1074:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Gull Lake for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1075:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Langenberg for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1076:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Raymore for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1077:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Stoughton for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1078:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Lanigan for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1079:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Carrot River for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1080:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Davidson for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1081:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Kipling for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1082:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Broadview for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1083:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Kelvington for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1084:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Wilkie for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1085:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Leader for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1086:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Kerrobert for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1087:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Foam Lake for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1088:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Rosthern for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1089:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Watson for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1090:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Hudson Bay for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1091:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total cost incurred in the operation of the SLGA outlet in Shaunavon for the fiscal year 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1092:

To the Minister of Education: How many educational assistants or teacher assistants are employed with the Prairie South Board of Education?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1093:

To the Minister of Education: What is the number of educational assistants or teacher assistants recommended in the Ministry of Education “discussion document” for the Prairie South Board of Education?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1094:

To the Minister of Education: How many educational assistants or teacher assistants are employed with the Holy Trinity Board of Education?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1095:

To the Minister of Education: What is the number of educational assistants or teacher assistants recommended in the Ministry of Education “discussion document” for the Holy Trinity Board of Education?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1096:

To the Minister of Health: How many doctors are currently practicing in the Moose Jaw Five Hills health region?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1097:

To the Minister of Health: Where are the doctors in the Moose Jaw Five Hills health region located (please break down by specialty)?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 35 and are to be answered by day no. 40:

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1098:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in January 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1099:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in February 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1100:

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in April 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1101:

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in May 2009?

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

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in June 2009?

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

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in July 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1104:

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in August 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1105:

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in September 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1106:

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in October 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1107:

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in November 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1108:

To the Premier: How much was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in December 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1109:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in April 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1110:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in May 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1111:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in June 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1112:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in July 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1113:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in August 2009?

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Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1116:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in November 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1117:

To the Premier: What was the total expenditure on salaries in Executive Council in December 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1118:

To the Premier: What was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in January 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1119:

To the Premier: What was spent on hospitality supplies in Executive Council in February 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1120:

To the Premier: How many unique hits were received on the gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1121:

To the Premier: How many unique hits received on the gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year originated in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1122:

To the Premier: How many unique hits received on the gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year originated in Canada but outside of Saskatchewan?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1123:

To the Premier: How many unique hits received on the gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year originated outside of Canada?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1124:

To the Premier: How many unique hits received on the premier.gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1125:

To the Premier: How many unique hits received on the premier.gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year originated in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1126:

To the Premier: How many unique hits received on the premier.gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year originated in Canada but outside of Saskatchewan?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1127:

To the Premier: How many unique hits received on the premier.gov.sk.ca website in the 2009 calendar year originated outside of Canada?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1128:

To the Minister of Justice: What is the current status of each of the court challenges of Saskatchewan's labour related legislation?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1129:

To the Minister of Justice: How many staff are devoted to each of the court challenges of Saskatchewan's labour related legislation?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1130:

To the Minister of Justice: How much has been spent by the Ministry of Justice since November 2007 to date to defend Saskatchewan's labour related legislation in court challenges?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1131:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: With regard to complaints about Saskatchewan legislation before the International Labour Organization (ILO), how many complaints are currently before the ILO?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1132:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: With regard to complaints about Saskatchewan legislation before the International Labour Organization (ILO), who initiated these complaints?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1133:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: With regard to complaints about Saskatchewan legislation before the International Labour Organization (ILO), what is the current status of each of these complaints?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1134:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: With regard to complaints about Saskatchewan legislation before the International Labour Organization (ILO), has the Government of Saskatchewan provided a response to the ILO regarding each complaint?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1135:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) How many court challenges of Saskatchewan's labour related legislation are currently ongoing? (2) Who brought them forward?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1136:

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