



No. 40

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, March 31, 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: Harper, Trew, Atkinson, Nilson, Forbes, Vermette, Broten, Furber, Morin, Iwanchuk, Quennell, Wotherspoon and Chartier.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to stand firmly opposed to the implementation of harmonized sales tax.

(Sessional Paper No. 340)

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 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 maintaining and repairing Highway 123.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 45)

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 negotiate a fair and just collective agreement with health care providers (CUPE).

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 107)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to enact a Saskatchewan Seniors' Bill of Rights.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 112)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to reinstate the Domestic Abuse Outreach program as a provincial government service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 119)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for educational assistants for special needs students.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 241)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to make changes to the Film Employment Tax Credit and to reverse its decision to shut down Saskatchewan Communications Network (SCN).

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 243)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to improve fiscal management.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 244)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to recognize the impacts of climate change and to take the necessary actions to address this issue.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 247)

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
(Private Members' Statements – Personal Attacks)

Yesterday, I undertook to review the Hansard record in response to a Point of Order raised by the Government House Leader (Mr. D'Autremont) about comments made by the Member for Regina Walsh Acres (Ms. Morin) in a member's statement. I have reviewed the verbatim and I am prepared to rule on the matter.

At the outset, I want Members to know that I have serious concerns about the tenor of debate in recent weeks and what looks like a trend away from the principle of fair comment. My concern goes beyond the point of order raised yesterday. I think it necessary to take a few moments to remind Members about a few basic principles that seem to be forgotten from time to time.

First of all Members need go no further than our own rule that states Members shall not "use offensive, provocative or threatening language" and, also that Members shall not "make a personal charge or accusation against a Member". These rules should be familiar to Members.

In addition, The House of Commons Procedure and Practice (Second Edition, 2009) at pages 604 and 605 states and I quote: "Since one of the basic principles of procedure in the House is that the proceedings be conducted in terms of a free and civil discourse, Members are less apt to engage in direct heated exchanges and personal attacks when their comments are directed to the Chair rather than to another Member. If a Member directs remarks toward another Member and not the Speaker, he or she will be called to order and may be asked to rephrase the remarks."

I think Members also realize that these basic rules are a reflection of our long standing practices, which Speakers have expressed time and again over the years.

On April 23, 1991, Speaker Tusa stated that reasonable comment did not include personal accusations, and Members should treat each other with respect within the dignity and decorum of the House.

On March 5, 1993, Speaker Rolfes ruled that innuendo and personal reflections create disorder, and that insinuations about other members, whether made in jest or not, is inappropriate.

On December 29, 1996 Speaker Hagel, stated that personal attacks result in escalation and retaliation, which become increasingly personal. He implored Members to engage in forceful and spirited debate without having to resort to such avenues.

On May 12, 2000, Speaker Osika, ruled out of order a series of statements made in debate that attempted to connect certain Members with criminal convictions. Speaker Osika went on to say provocations and offensive personal attacks exceed the bounds of fair debate. On March 23, 2001, he ruled out of order comments that alleged that a group of Members, as part of a political party, were involved in illegal election acts.

On May 10, 2004, Speaker Kowalsky made this statement, which I shall quote: "...freedom of speech is considered fundamentally necessary under our democratic system. This privilege exists to allow members to perform legitimate functions in the legislature. This privilege also confers a grave responsibility to those who are protected by it. Members must bear in mind the possible effects of certain statements. It is not a legitimate function for members in debate to question directly or indirectly the integrity or motives of members individually or collectively."

All of these statements, made by many Speakers over a long period of time demonstrate the principle that proceedings of the Assembly are based on a long-standing tradition of respect for the integrity of all Members.

Recently, certain Members seem to have forgotten about this principle. This principle has been lost despite recent rulings when I have called upon all Members for their cooperation in addressing unparliamentary language and order and decorum. Despite my rulings and requests, the ugly personal attacks, innuendos and insinuations continue.

We had instances of this again yesterday.

The Member from Regina Walsh Acres, in a Member's statement, made comments about the private affairs of the Member for Kindersley. She also stated that the Premier had been involved in theft. I find these comments to be out of order. If what I have said about the principles of fair comment in this place is not enough, I will cite what previous Speakers have said about similar comments.

On March 18, 1999, Speaker Hagel stated the following: "...I notice his reference to the use of the word steal. And I think the honourable minister will recognize that it's improper to be using that word in debate to refer to the motives of other honourable members, and I'll ask him to withdraw that remark and continue his debate." Similarly, Speaker Kowalsky brought a Member to order on June 16, 2003, for using the word "stole".

The Member for Cannington, who raised the point of order, was also out of order yesterday for the comments he made in his Member's Statement. The Member from Cannington also reflected on the character of the Leader of the Opposition. Besides the principles I have outlined earlier in this ruling, I also want to point out Beauschesne's paragraph 486 (1) makes it clear that members are not to reflect on the private character of another Member. As previous Speakers have pointed out, personal attacks and innuendos have no place in proceedings of this Assembly. The comments are hurtful and only create disorder and retaliation. I ask Members not to make the period for Members' Statements into a series of attack ads. I ask you to not bring personal attacks and offensive opinions into this Chamber.

I will now call on the Member for Cannington and the Member from Regina Walsh Acres to rise to withdraw and apologize for their unparliamentary remarks.

Thereupon Mr. D'Autremont and Ms. Morin withdrew their remarks and apologized.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1098 to 1136, they were answered. (See Appendix)

BUDGET DEBATE

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Hickie:

That the Assembly approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government,

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Vermette:

That all the words after “That the Assembly” be deleted and the following be added:

“that the government no longer has the confidence of the Members of this Assembly and the people of Saskatchewan for the following reasons: presenting an inaccurate portrayal of the province’s debt and deficit while forcing Saskatchewan people to pay the price for the government’s financial mismanagement through hurtful cuts to important programs and services.”

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

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Don Toth
Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1098, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$450,492

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1099, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$439,936

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1100, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$0 – As April is the beginning of a new fiscal year, the payment for hospitality supplies received during the month of April are reported as paid in the following month (May 2009).

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1101, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$1,097.91

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1102, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$1,748.74

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1103, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$766.09

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1104, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$1,223.27

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1105, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$714.97

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1106, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$921.82

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1107, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$1,082.61

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1108, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$966.31

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1109, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$442,815

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1110, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$474,542

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1111, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$468,074

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1112, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$454,931

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1113, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$445,904

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1114, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$458,134

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1115, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$455,458

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1116, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$459,223

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1117, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$447,190

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1118, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$1,069.59

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1119, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

\$784.48

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1120, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

89,796,622

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1121, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

Not available – the tracking tool is incapable of differentiating Saskatchewan hits.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1122, which was answered by the Premier:

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?

Answer:

38,280,300 originated in Canada including Saskatchewan (the tracking tool is incapable of differentiating Saskatchewan hits). There were also 19,755,257 hits from unknown locations.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1123, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

31,761,065

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1124, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

0 – that website did not exist in 2009.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1125, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

0 – that website did not exist in 2009.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1126, which was answered by the Premier:

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?

Answer:

0 – that website did not exist in 2009.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1127, which was answered by the Premier:

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

Answer:

0 – that website did not exist in 2009.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1128, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

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

Answer:

There are seven challenges before the Court of Queen's Bench:

- Saskatchewan Federation of Labour et al. v. Her Majesty the Queen in right of Saskatchewan
- pleadings have been exchanged.

- Saskatchewan Union of Nurses v. The Government of Saskatchewan - pleadings have been exchanged.
- Canadian Union of Public Employees v. Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region and the Attorney General for Saskatchewan - application for judicial review in early stages.
- SEIU (West) v. Cypress Regional Health Authority - application for judicial review.
- SEIU (West) v. Five Hills Regional Health Authority - application for judicial review.
- SEIU (West) v. Heartland Regional Health Authority - application for judicial review.
- SEIU (West) v. Saskatoon Regional Health Authority - application for judicial review.

These latter four applications for judicial review will be heard together. Given the voluminous material involved, they likely will not be heard until Fall 2010 at the earliest.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1129, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

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

Answer:

One lawyer in the Constitutional Law Branch of the Ministry of Justice has carriage of all of these files, as a portion of his responsibilities.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1130, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

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?

Answer:

Since these files are being handled within the Ministry of Justice, it is not possible to segregate any cost related to these files.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1131, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

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?

Answer:

One.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1132, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

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?

Answer:

The National Union of Public and General Employees, on behalf of the Saskatchewan Government and General Employees Union, and the Canadian Labour Congress, on behalf of the Saskatchewan Federation of Labour.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1133, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

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?

Answer:

As of March 23, 2010, the complaint remains before the Committee on Freedom of Association of the International Labour Organization Governing Body.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1134, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

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?

Answer:

Yes.

Mr. Iwanchuk asked the Government the following Question No. 1135, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

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

Answer:

Answered in response to Written Question No. 1128.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 1136, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

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

Answer:

1,053,956.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 37 and are to be answered by day no. 42:

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1202:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: For the fiscal year 2007/08, what was the average cost of total reconstruction for one kilometre of secondary weight or thin membrane road in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1203:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: For the fiscal year 2008/09, what was the average cost of total reconstruction for one kilometre of secondary weight or thin membrane road in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1204:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: For the fiscal year 2009/10, what was the average cost of total reconstruction for one kilometre of secondary weight or thin membrane road in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1205:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: For the fiscal year 2007/2008, what was the average cost of total reconstruction for one kilometre of primary weight or heavy haul road in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1206:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: For the fiscal year 2008/2009, what was the average cost of total reconstruction for one kilometre of primary weight or heavy haul road in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1207:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: For the fiscal year 2009/2010, what was the average cost of total reconstruction for one kilometre of primary weight or heavy haul road in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1208:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students defaulted on student loans in 2003/04?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1209:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students defaulted on student loans in 2004/05?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1210:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students defaulted on student loans in 2005/06?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1211:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students defaulted on student loans in 2006/07?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1212:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students defaulted on student loans in 2007/08?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1213:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students defaulted on student loans in 2008/09?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1214:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many students have defaulted on student loans in 2009/10?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1215:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the public release of information about the convicted sex offender who was unlawfully at large in the fall of 2009, how many staff hours within the Ministry of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing were devoted to the investigation into the release of that information?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1216:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the public release of information about the convicted sex offender who was unlawfully at large in the fall of 2009, how much money did the Ministry of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing spend on the investigation into the release of that information?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1217:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Has the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Environment provided written reports to the ministry? (2) If so, when? (3) How many? (4) Will these reports be made publicly available?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1218:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: To date, what is the total expense incurred by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1219:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: To date, what has been the cost to the ministry for accommodations for the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1220:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: To date, what has been the cost to the ministry for travel for the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1221:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: To date, what has been the cost to the ministry for meals for the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1222:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) To date, what out-of-province trips taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources were paid for by the ministry? (2) What was the purpose of each of those trips? (3) What was the destination and total cost of each of those trips?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1223:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: Who has accompanied the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources on each out-of-province trip?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1224:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: What are the total FTEs within the Ministry of Energy and Resources that have been assigned to work with the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1225:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: Who has the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Energy and Resources met with relative to the Legislative Secretary's assigned duties?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1226:

To the Minister of Environment: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative in 2007/08?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1227:

To the Minister of Environment: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative in 2008/09?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1228:

To the Minister of Environment: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative to date in 2009/10?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1229:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative in 2007/08?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1230:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative in 2008/09?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1231:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative to date in 2009/10?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1232:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative in 2007/08?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1233:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative in 2008/09?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1234:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: How much funding was provided by the Ministry of Environment to the Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative to date in 2009/10?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 38 and are to be answered by day no. 43:

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1235:

To the Minister of Health: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1236:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1237:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1238:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1239:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Junor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1240:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1241:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1242:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1243:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1244:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1245:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1246:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1247:

To the Minister of Enterprise: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1248:

To the Minister of Enterprise: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's marketing and communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1249:

To the Minister of Enterprise: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's marketing and communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1250:

To the Minister of Enterprise: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's marketing and communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1251:

To the Minister of Enterprise: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's marketing and communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1252:

To the Minister of Enterprise: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's marketing and communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1253:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: What was the total number of staff employed within the SRC's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1254:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: What was the total number of staff employed within the SRC's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1255:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: What was the total number of staff employed within the SRC's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1256:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: What was the total number of staff employed within the SRC's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1257:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Research Council: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the SRC's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1258:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1259:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1260:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1261:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1262:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1263:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's Communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1264:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1265:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1266:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1267:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1268:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1269:

To the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1270:

To the Minister of Education: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1271:

To the Minister of Education: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1272:

To the Minister of Education: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1273:

To the Minister of Education: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1274:

To the Minister of Education: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1275:

To the Minister of Education: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1276:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: How many staff within the PSC received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1277:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: What was the total number of staff employed within the PSC's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1278:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: What was the total number of staff employed within the PSC's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1279:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: What was the total number of staff employed within the PSC's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1280:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: What was the total number of staff employed within the PSC's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1281:

To the Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within PSC's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1282:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: How many staff within CIC received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1283:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within CIC's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1284:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within CIC's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1285:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within CIC's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1286:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within CIC's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1287:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within CIC's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1288:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1289:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1290:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1291:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1292:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1293:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1294:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1295:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1296:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1297:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1298:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1299:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1300:

To the Provincial Secretary: How many staff within the Office of the Provincial Secretary received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1301:

To the Provincial Secretary: What was the total number of staff employed within the Office of the Provincial Secretary's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1302:

To the Provincial Secretary: What was the total number of staff employed within the Office of the Provincial Secretary's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1303:

To the Provincial Secretary: What was the total number of staff employed within the Office of the Provincial Secretary's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1304:

To the Provincial Secretary: What was the total number of staff employed within the Office of the Provincial Secretary's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1305:

To the Provincial Secretary: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the Office of the Provincial Secretary's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1306:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1307:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1308:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1309:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1310:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1311:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1312:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1313:

To the Minister of Social Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1314:

To the Minister of Social Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1315:

To the Minister of Social Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1316:

To the Minister of Social Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1317:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1318:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many children were part of SAP (Saskatchewan Assistance Program) households in February 2008? (2) February 2009? (3) February 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1319:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many children were part of TEA (Transitional Employment Allowance) households in February 2008? (2) February 2009? (3) February 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1320:

To the Minister of Government Services: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1321:

To the Minister of Government Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1322:

To the Minister of Government Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1323:

To the Minister of Government Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1324:

To the Minister of Government Services: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1325:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1326:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1327:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1328:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1329:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1330:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1331:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Technology Office: How many staff within ITO received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1332:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1333:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1334:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1335:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1336:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Quennell, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1337:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1338:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1339:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1340:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1341:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1342:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1343:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1344:

To the Minister of Finance: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1345:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1346:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1347:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1348:

To the Minister of Finance: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1349:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 39 and are to be answered by day no. 44:

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1350:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: What was the total number of staff employed within STC's communications branch of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1351:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: What was the total number of staff employed within STC's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1352:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: What was the total number of staff employed within STC's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1353:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: What was the total number of staff employed within STC's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1354:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) Does the STC intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1355:

To the Minister Responsible for the Worker's Compensation Board: What was the total number of staff employed within WCB's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1356:

To the Minister Responsible for the Worker's Compensation Board: What was the total number of staff employed within WCB's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1357:

To the Minister Responsible for the Worker's Compensation Board: What was the total number of staff employed within WCB's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1358:

To the Minister Responsible for the Worker's Compensation Board: What was the total number of staff employed within WCB's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Iwanchuk, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1359:

To the Minister Responsible for the Worker's Compensation Board: (1) Does the WCB intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1360:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2008/09 budget, what was the total amount of money spent advertising and promoting the budget?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1361:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2008/09 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget on television?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1362:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2008/09 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget on radio?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1363:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2008/09 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget on the Internet?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1364:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2008/09 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget in newspapers and print media?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1365:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2009/10 budget, what was the total amount of money spent advertising and promoting the budget?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1366:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2009/10 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget on television?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1367:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2009/10 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget on radio?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1368:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2009/10 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget on the Internet?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1369:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2009/10 budget, how much money was spent advertising and promoting the budget in newspapers and print media?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1370:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2010/11 budget, what is the total amount of money allocated for advertising and promoting the budget?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1371:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2010/11 budget, how much money is allocated to be spent advertising and promoting the budget on television?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1372:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2010/11 budget, how much money is allocated to be spent advertising and promoting the budget on radio?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1373:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2010/11 budget, how much money is allocated to be spent advertising and promoting the budget on the Internet?

Mr. Wotherspoon, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1374:

To the Minister of Finance: With regard to the 2010/11 budget, how much money is allocated to be spent advertising and promoting the budget in newspapers and print media?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1375:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Telecommunications' communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1376:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Telecommunications' communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1377:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Telecommunications' communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1378:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Telecommunications' communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1379:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) Does Saskatchewan Telecommunications intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1380:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Services Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Information Services Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1381:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Services Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Information Services Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1382:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Services Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Information Services Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1383:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Services Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Information Services Corporation's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1384:

To the Minister Responsible for Information Services Corporation: (1) Does Information Services Corporation intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1385:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: What was the total number of staff employed within SGI's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1386:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: What was the total number of staff employed within SGI's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1387:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: What was the total number of staff employed within SGI's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1388:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: What was the total number of staff employed within SGI's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1389:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) Does SGI intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1390:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many co-op or applied learning opportunities were provided to students through post-secondary institutions in 2007?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1391:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many co-op or applied learning opportunities were provided to students through post-secondary institutions in 2008?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1392:

To the Minister of Social Services: On March 11, 2010, the Minister of Social Services issued a press release containing the following statement: *In addition, the province is working with groups to commit more than 200 affordable rental units for approximately \$27 million.* (1) With regard to these "200 affordable rental units", what was the name of the housing project? (2) What was the name of the partners involved? (3) What was the number of rental units in each project? (4) In which community is

the project located? (5) What is the expected date of completion? (6) In which budget year were funds for the project committed? (7) What was the total cost of the project? (8) What percentage of the total cost was provided by the province? (9) What category does the project fit into (social, seniors, affordable, student, other)? (10) What was the date when the project was first announced?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1393:

To the Minister of Social Services: On March 11, 2010, the Minister of Social Services issued a press release with the following statement: *Currently, commitments have been made for an additional \$101 million, translating into more than 900 rental units which are under construction or in development.* (1) With regard to these “900 rental housing units”, what was the name of the housing project? (2) What was the name of the partners involved? (3) What was the number of rental units in each project? (4) In which community is the project located? (5) What is the expected date of completion? (6) In which budget year were funds for the project committed? (7) What was the total cost of the project? (8) What percentage of the total cost was provided by the province? (9) What category does the project fit into (social, seniors, affordable, student, other)? (10) What was the date when the project was first announced?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1394:

To the Minister of Social Services: On March 11, 2010, the Minister of Social Services issued a press release with the following statement: *Since 2008, the province has invested more than \$44 million in more than 500 affordable rental housing units in Saskatchewan, both new construction and acquired and renovated projects.* (1) With regard to these “500 affordable rental housing units”, what was the name of the housing project? (2) What was the name of the partners involved? (3) What was the number of rental units in each project? (4) In which community is the project located? (5) What is the expected date of completion? (6) In which budget year were funds for the project committed? (7) What was the total cost of the project? (8) What percentage of the total cost was provided by the province? (9) What category does the project fit into (social, seniors, affordable, student, other)? (10) What was the date when the project was first announced?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1395:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many co-op or applied learning opportunities were provided to students through post-secondary institutions in 2009?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1396:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) Does SaskEnergy intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1397:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskEnergy’s communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1398:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskEnergy’s communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1399:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskEnergy's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1400:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskEnergy's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1401:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) Does the Saskatchewan Power Corporation intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1402:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Power Corporation's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1403:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Power Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1404:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Power Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1405:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within Saskatchewan Power Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1406:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1407:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1408:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1409:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1410:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Mr. Furber, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1411:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communication branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1412:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within SLGA's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1413:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within SLGA's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1414:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within SLGA's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1415:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within SLGA's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1416:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) Does the SLGA intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1417:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1418:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1419:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1420:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1421:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: (1) Does the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1422:

To the Minister of Environment: How many staff within the ministry received immediate layoff notices as a result of the 2010/11 budget?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1423:

To the Minister of Environment: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1424:

To the Minister of Environment: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1425:

To the Minister of Environment: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1426:

To the Minister of Environment: What was the total number of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1427:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Will the 2010/11 budget result in a reduction of staff employed within the ministry's communications branch? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1428:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) Does the SWA intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1429:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskWater's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1430:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskWater's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1431:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskWater's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1432:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: What was the total number of staff employed within SaskWater's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1433:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) Does SaskWater intend to reduce the number of staff in the communications branch in 2010/11? (2) If so, how many positions will be eliminated?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1434:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within the SWA's communications branch as of December 31, 2007?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1435:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within the SWA's communications branch as of December 31, 2008?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1436:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within the SWA's communications branch as of December 31, 2009?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1437:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What was the total number of staff employed within the SWA's communications branch as of March 23, 2010?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 40 and are to be answered by day no. 45:

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1438:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) With regard to the \$5,327,000 of “Transfers to Individuals” in the 2009-10 budget, from which program areas was that funding provided? (2) How many individuals received funding from each program area?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1439:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: To date, how many individuals have been assisted by CanSask Rapid Response Teams?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1440:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: To date, what is the breakdown of services provided to individuals by CanSask Rapid Response Teams?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1441:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What would be the estimated cost of severance to faculty and staff if the First Nations University of Canada were to be shut down?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1442:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: With whom has the government consulted regarding estimated severance costs if the First Nations University of Canada were to be shut down?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1443:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many people wrote General Educational Development (GED) tests in 2007?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1444:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many people wrote General Educational Development (GED) tests in 2008?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1445:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many people wrote General Educational Development (GED) tests in 2009?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1446:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many people wrote General Educational Development (GED) diplomas in 2007?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1447:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many people wrote General Educational Development (GED) diplomas in 2008?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1448:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many people wrote General Educational Development (GED) diplomas in 2009?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1449:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How many Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) agreements were in place in 2007/08?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1450:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How many Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) agreements were in place in 2008/09?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1451:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How many Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) agreements were in place in 2009/10?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1452:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How many Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) agreements were in place when the program was cut in the 2010/11 budget?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1453:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How much funding was provided through the Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) in 2009/10?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1454:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How much funding was provided through the Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) in 2008/09?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1455:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: How much funding was provided through the Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) in 2007/08?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1456:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: Which companies were Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) Partners in 2007/08?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1457:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: Which companies were Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) Partners in 2008/09?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1458:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: Which companies were Aboriginal Employment Development Program (AEDP) Partners in 2009/10?