

No. 47

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, April 20, 2010

1:30 p.m.

ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER

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

PRAYERS

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Harper, Higgins, Forbes, Vermette, Broten, Furber, Morin, Iwanchuk, Taylor, 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 pave Highway 135 through the community of Pelican Narrows.

(Sessional Paper No. 374)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to address the burden placed by high post-secondary tuition fees on Saskatchewan students.

(Sessional Paper No. 375)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to recognize the importance of protection of wildlife habitat lands and consult stakeholders that will be affected by future changes to *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act*.

(Sessional Paper No. 376)

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 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 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 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 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 exempt the Hamlet of Furdale from any water service cut-offs.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 111)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to 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 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)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 136 – The Technical Safety Authority of Saskatchewan Act

(Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE COMITÉ PERMANENT DES AFFAIRES INTERGOUVERNEMENTALES ET DE LA JUSTICE

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

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier, sont lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 112 – The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2009 Projet de loi nº 112 – Loi de 2009 modifiant la Loi de 1988 sur les juges de paix

Bill No. 113 – The Justices of the Peace Consequential Amendments Act, 2009

Bill No. 115 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2009 (No. 2) Projet de loi nº 115 – Loi nº 2 de 2009 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

Bill No. 103 - The Miscellaneous Statutes (Professional Discipline) Amendment Act, 2009

Bill No. 101 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2009 (No. 2)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1497, 1499 to 1501, 1503 to 1506, 1508 to 1512, 1514 to 1529, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1498, 1507 and 1513, the answers were tabled and, by reason of their length, converted by the Clerk to Return Nos. 665 to 667 pursuant to Rule 20(6).

(Sessional Paper Nos. 377 to 379)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 1502, pursuant to Rule 20(5), the question was converted and an Order for Return was issued:

Mr. Broten, for Return No. 664 showing:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) The employers that received funding through the Community Works program in 2007/08. (2) 2008/09. (3) 2009/10. (4) The name and location for each.

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 107 – The Weed Control Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 107 – The Weed Control Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 102 – The Personal Property Security Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 102 – The Personal Property Security 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. 102 – The Personal Property Security Amendment Act, 2009 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 124 – The Legal Profession Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 124 – The Legal Profession 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. 124 – The Legal Profession Amendment Act, 2009 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 129 - The Enforcement of Money Judgments Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 129 – The Enforcement of Money Judgments Act – be now read a second time.

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

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont:	
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.	

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Don Toth Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Draude:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended December 31, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 380)

By the Hon. Mr. Gantefoer:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended December 31, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 381)

By the Hon. Mr. Harrison:

Financial Statements for Municipal Potash Tax Sharing Administration Board for the year ended December 31, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 382)

The following Returns which were Ordered by the Assembly on March 23, 2010, were laid upon the Table:

Return Nos. 264 to 302 by Mr. Broten

(Sessional Paper Nos. 383 to 421)

The following Returns which were Ordered by the Assembly on March 25, 2010, were laid upon the Table:

Return Nos. 336 to 340 by Ms. Higgins

(Sessional Paper Nos. 422 to 426)

The following Returns which were Ordered by the Assembly on March 30, 2010, were laid upon the Table:

Return Nos. 344 to 362 by Ms. Higgins

(Sessional Paper Nos. 427 to 445)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1497, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employers received funding through the Work-based Training for the Unemployed program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 250
- (2) 263
- (3) 187

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1499, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) What was the average amount of funding provided to employers through the Work-based Training for the Unemployed program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) \$22,423
- (2) \$17,338
- (3) \$11,444

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1500, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employees were hired through the Work-based Training for the Unemployed program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 1579
- (2) 1381
- (3) 505

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1501, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employers received funding through the Community Works program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 179
- (2) 163
- (3) 119

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1503, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) What was the average amount of funding provided to employers through the Community Works program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) \$12,741
- (2) \$13,415
- (3) \$10,499

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1504, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employees were hired through the Community Works program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 621
- (2) 496
- (3) 207

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1505, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employers applied for funding through the Student Employment Experience program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

This information is not collected.

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1506, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employers received funding through the Student Employment Experience program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 420
- (2) 418
- (3) 357

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1508, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many full-time student positions were funded through the Student Employment Experience program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

This information is not collected.

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1509, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many part-time student positions were funded through the Student Employment Experience program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

This information is not collected.

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1510, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many First Nations and Métis students benefited from the Student Employment Experience program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer

This information is not collected.

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1511, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employers applied for funding through the Green Team program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

This information is not collected.

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1512, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many employers received funding through the Green Team program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 54
- (2) 37
- (3) 31

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1514, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many high school student employment positions were funded through the Green Team program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

This information is not collected.

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1515, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many university student positions were funded through the Green Team program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

This information is not collected.

Mr. Broten asked the Government the following Question No. 1516, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many First Nations and Métis students benefited from the Green Team program in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

This information is not collected.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1517, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many boiler and pressure vessel licenses were issued in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 31,683 boiler and pressure vessel licences in 2007/08.
- (2) 31,317 boiler and pressure vessel licences in 2008/09.
- (3) 30,888 boiler and pressure vessel licences in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1518, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many positions in the Government of Saskatchewan were devoted to the licensing of boiler and pressure vessels in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) Two positions to the licensing of boiler and pressure vessels in 2007/08.
- (2) Two positions to the licensing of boiler and pressure vessels in 2008/09.
- (3) Two positions to the licensing of boiler and pressure vessels in 2009/10.

In all three fiscal years, the Ministry also utilized up to two additional non-permanent positions to assist the two devoted positions.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1519, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many positions in the Government of Saskatchewan were devoted to the inspection of boiler and pressure vessels in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 13 positions devoted to the inspection of boiler and pressure vessels in 2007/08.
- (2) 13 positions devoted to the inspection of boiler and pressure vessels in 2008/09.
- (3) 13 positions devoted to the inspection of boiler and pressure vessels in 2009/10. Commencing in February 2010, three additional non-permanent positions were utilized, for a total of 16.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1520, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many boiler and pressure vessel inspector positions in the Government of Saskatchewan were vacant in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) An average vacancy of 7.67 boiler and pressure vessel inspector positions in 2007/08 (minimum 4; maximum 8).
- (2) An average vacancy of 3.17 boiler and pressure vessel inspector positions in 2008/09 (minimum 2: maximum 5).
- (3) An average vacancy of 1.16 boiler and pressure vessel inspector positions in 2009/10 (minimum 0; maximum 3).

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1521, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many boiler and pressure vessel inspections were conducted by Government of Saskatchewan boiler inspectors in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 5,983 boiler and pressure vessel inspections in 2007/08.
- (2) 8,004 boiler and pressure vessel inspections in 2008/09.
- (3) 12,027 boiler and pressure vessel inspections in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1522, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many violations were found by Government of Saskatchewan boiler and pressure vessel inspectors in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 1,050 boiler and pressure vessel violations in 2007/08.
- (2) 1,779 boiler and pressure vessel violations in 2008/09.
- (3) 2,930 boiler and pressure vessel violations in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1523, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many elevator licenses were issued in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 3,025 elevator licences in 2007/08.
- (2) 3,117 elevator licences in 2008/09.
- (3) 3,213 elevator licences in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1524, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many amusement ride licenses were issued in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 266 amusement ride licences in 2007/08.
- (2) 266 amusement ride licences in 2008/09.
- (3) 260 amusement ride licences in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1525, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many positions in the Government of Saskatchewan were devoted to the licensing of elevators and amusement rides in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) One position devoted to the licensing of elevators and amusement rides in 2007/08.
- (2) One position devoted to the licensing of elevators and amusement rides in 2008/09.
- (3) One position devoted to the licensing of elevators and amusement rides in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1526, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many positions in the Government of Saskatchewan were devoted to the inspection of elevators and amusement rides in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) Four positions devoted to the inspection of elevators and amusement rides in 2007/08.
- (2) Four positions devoted to the inspection of elevators and amusement rides in 2008/09.
- (3) 4.17 positions devoted to the inspection of elevators and amusement rides in 2009/10 (one new position was added in February 2010).

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1527, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many elevator and amusement ride inspector positions within the Government of Saskatchewan were vacant in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) An average vacancy of 1.67 elevator and amusement ride inspector positions in 2007/08 (minimum 1; maximum 2).
- (2) An average vacancy of 0.33 elevator and amusement ride inspector positions in 2008/09 (minimum 0; maximum 1).
- (3) An average vacancy of 0 elevator and amusement ride inspector positions in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1528, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many elevator and amusement ride inspections were conducted by Government of Saskatchewan elevator and amusement ride inspectors in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 2,919 elevator and amusement ride inspections in 2007/08.
- (2) 2,652 elevator and amusement ride inspections in 2008/09.
- (3) 2,905 elevator and amusement ride inspections in 2009/10.

Mr. Trew asked the Government the following Question No. 1529, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety: (1) How many violations were found by Government of Saskatchewan elevator and amusement ride inspectors in 2007/08? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2009/10?

Answer:

- (1) 1.454 elevator and amusement ride violations in 2007/08.
- (2) 1,488 elevator and amusement ride violations in 2008/09.
- (3) 1,711 elevator and amusement ride violations in 2009/10.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS AVIS DE MOTION PORTANT PREMIÈRE LECTURE DE PROJETS DE LOI

On Thursday / jeudi:

Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert to move First Reading of Bill No. 137 – The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Amendment Act, 2010

Hon. Mr. Morgan to move First Reading of Bill No. 138 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2010 (No. 2)

L'hon. M. Morgan proposera la première lecture du projet de loi n° 138 – Loi n° 2 de 2010 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

Ms. Morin to move First Reading of Bill No. 612 – The Earth Day Recognition Act

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Elhard to move the following motion:

That this Assembly recognizes our government's commitment to ensuring Saskatchewan's continued economic growth and success by way of our balanced, responsible and forward looking budget.

NOTICE OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

On Thursday:

Mr. Lingenfelter to move the following motion:

That this Assembly calls upon the Government of Canada, the Canadian Security Intelligence Service and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to release the complete intelligence file on former Saskatchewan Premier Tommy Douglas, and further;

That in making this call, the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan asserts the following:

- 1. That public access to information is a core tenet of democracy;
- 2. That the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) should be consistent in that it routinely releases intelligence files on individuals twenty years after their death;
- 3. That twenty-four years after Tommy Douglas' death, and several decades after the information on him was gathered, there is no legitimate security reason for keeping this information secret;
- 4. That the release of this information is important to the legacy of Tommy Douglas and to the people of Saskatchewan and Canada;
- 5. That this Assembly recognizes that Tommy Douglas served our province and our country with distinction, as the first social democratic leader in North America;
- 6. That this Assembly values Tommy Douglas' legacy to Saskatchewan and Canada, including medicare, old age pensions, family allowances, social programs, the Central Bank of Canada, civil liberties and rights legislation, and our Crown corporations;
- 7. That this Assembly recognizes the people of Canada voted Tommy Douglas as the Greatest Canadian to mark his accomplishments;
- 8. That this Assembly believes that Tommy Douglas' family, friends, and all Canadians deserve to know the information contained in the intelligence file.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

On Thursday:

No. 1 (Opposition)

Mr. Lingenfelter to move the following motion:

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- 1. That public access to information is a core tenet of democracy;
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- 6. That this Assembly values Tommy Douglas' legacy to Saskatchewan and Canada, including medicare, old age pensions, family allowances, social programs, the Central Bank of Canada, civil liberties and rights legislation, and our Crown corporations;
- 7. That this Assembly recognizes the people of Canada voted Tommy Douglas as the Greatest Canadian to mark his accomplishments;
- 8. That this Assembly believes that Tommy Douglas' family, friends, and all Canadians deserve to know the information contained in the intelligence file.

No. 2 (Government)

Adjourned debate on the proposed **Motion No. 2** of Mr. McMillan:

That this Assembly recognize the renewed entrepreneurial spirit in Saskatchewan, which is encouraging the establishment of new enterprises, while at the same time inspiring confidence in existing ones.

Adjourned Once

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1551:

To the Minister of Health: (1) With regard to the Moose Jaw Union Hospital expansion project, 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?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1552:

To the Minister of Environment: Whom did the government consult about the proposed amendments to *The Wildlife Habitat Protection (Land Designation) Amendment Act?* (Please provide the names, the dates and locations of these consultations).

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1553:

To the Minister of Environment: The explanatory notes for *Bill No. 132 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection (Land Designation) Amendment Act*, indicate that regulations will be adopted that designate lands protected under *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act*, and that ecological values will be assigned to each parcel of land to determine which lands may be sold, presumably without conditions, which lands may be sold with conservation easements, and which lands will be retained as Crown land. The explanatory notes also indicate that regulations will be prepared setting out lands designated as protected. (1) What process will be adopted to assess the ecological value of each parcel of land? (2) What criteria will be used to assess the ecological value of land? (3) What relative weight will be given to each of these criteria? (4) Will lands simply be designated as lands eligible to be sold without conditions, eligible to be sold with conservation easements attached, or retained as Crown lands, or will some alternative rating system be used?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1554:

To the Minister of Environment: How are each of the parcels of land currently listed in the schedule in *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act*, designated or rated, under the new ecological assessment?