



No. 54

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Monday, May 3, 2010

8:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated April 26, 2010, the Assembly proceeded to Government Orders.

MOTION TO RECESS

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now recess until 1:30 p.m. to enable the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice, the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies, and the Standing Committee on Human Services to meet.

The Assembly recessed from 8:02 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Harper, Higgins, Junor, Atkinson, Forbes, Vermette, Broten, Furber, Morin, Iwanchuk, Quennell and Wotherspoon.

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 financially assist Duck Lake residents with exorbitant water rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to 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 construct passing lanes on Highway 10 to improve safety.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 102)

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

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 106)

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 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 importance of protection of wildlife habitat lands and consult stakeholders that will be affected by future changes to *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act*.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 376)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

The following Bill was reported with amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was considered as amended and read the third time and passed:

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

The following Bill was reported with amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was considered as amended and read the third time and passed, on Division:

Bill No. 126 – The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES SOCIÉTÉS D'ÉTAT ET DES ORGANISMES CENTRAUX

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:
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Bill No. 120 – The Financial Administration Amendment Act, 2009

Bill No. 141 – The Business Statutes Administration Transfer Act

Bill No. 142 – The Business Statutes Administration Transfer Consequential Amendments Act, 2010
Projet de loi n° 142 – Loi de 2010 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Business Statutes Administration Transfer Act

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE RAPPORT DU 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:
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Bill No. 139 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Streamlining Government) Amendment Act, 2010

Bill No. 140 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Streamlining Government) Amendment Act, 2010 (No. 2)
Projet de loi n° 140 – Loi corrective (rationalisation administrative) n° 2 de 2010

Bill No. 138 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2010 (No. 2)
Projet de loi n° 138 – Loi n° 2 de 2010 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

(Request to waive notice period on a question of privilege)

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Yates) requested that the two hour notice period outlined in Rule 12 be waived, given the extended hours sessional order, in order that he may present a question of privilege. The Speaker allowed arguments to be put by both House Leaders. After the hearing the arguments, the Speaker asked that the Opposition House Leader provide details of the case in writing. The Speaker advised the Assembly that he will review the matter once formal notice and details of the proposed question of privilege has been received in his office.

MOTION TO RESCIND SESSIONAL ORDER

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Harrison, by leave of the Assembly:

That the sessional order dated April 26, 2010, regarding extended hours, be rescinded.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1555 to 1585, they were answered. (See Appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert: That Bill No. 136 – The Technical Safety Authority of Saskatchewan Act – be now read a second time.

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

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Harrison, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 136 – The Technical Safety Authority of Saskatchewan Act – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Tuesday 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. Mr. Morgan:

Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the following Professional Associations and amendments thereto,
under provisions of the respective Acts:

Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists

Interior Designers Association of Saskatchewan

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 15)

By the Hon. Mr. Boyd:

Annual Report and Financial Statements for Saskatchewan Research Council Employees' Pension Plan
for the year ended December 31, 2009.

(Sessional Paper No. 610)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1555, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Did the provincial government get any legal advice as to whether or not they could lose a lawsuit if they continue to violate the March 24, 2010 ILO ruling? (2) Could the province be financially liable?

Answer:

The question will be answered by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour in response to Written Question No. 1556.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1556, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Norris:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) Did the provincial government get any legal advice as to whether or not they could lose a lawsuit if they continue to violate the March 24, 2010 ILO ruling? (2) Could the province be financially liable?

Answer:

- (1) The Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour sought advice from the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General on the non-binding recommendations in the ILO report.
- (2) The ministry cannot speculate on the outcome of a hypothetical lawsuit.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1557, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How many tons of fertilizer was purchased by Saskatchewan agriculture producers in the 2009/10 crop year? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2007/08? (4) 2006/07? (5) 2005/06?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not track these statistics.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1558, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) What was the average price per ton of fertilizer paid by producers in the 2009/10 crop year? (2) 2008/09? (3) 2007/08? (4) 2006/07? (5) 2005/06?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not track these statistics.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1559, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total cost of providing Fish and Wildlife Development lands program that was made available to livestock producers that had been affected by drought in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1560, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many livestock producers accessed Fish and Wildlife Development lands that were made available to them due to drought conditions in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1561, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total cost to livestock producers of providing temporary fencing on Fish and Wildlife Development lands that had been opened up for grazing due to drought conditions in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1562, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the average cost per livestock producers of providing temporary fencing on Fish and Wildlife Development lands that had been opened up for grazing due to drought conditions in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1563, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total cost to livestock producers of providing any water improvements on Fish and Wildlife Development lands that had been opened up for grazing due to drought conditions in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1564, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the average cost per livestock producers of providing any water improvements on Fish and Wildlife Development lands program that had been opened up for grazing due to drought conditions in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1565, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many head of livestock that were pastured on Fish and Wildlife Development lands due to drought conditions were lost during 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1566, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many pasture riders looked after the livestock that were pastured on Fish and Wildlife lands that were opened up due to drought in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1567, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What were the pasture riders paid that worked on the Fish and Wildlife lands that were opened up due to drought in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1568, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: Who paid the wages of the pasture riders that worked on the Fish and Wildlife lands that were opened up due to drought in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1569, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the cost of grazing lease fees, in dollars and cents, that was charged to livestock producers who pastured cattle on Fish and Wildlife lands due to drought in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not administer this land.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1570, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How much money did the federal government put into the 2009 Saskatchewan Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program? (2) What percentage of the program does this amount to?

Answer:

(1) \$5.6 million.

(2) 37%

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1571, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How much money did the provincial government put into the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program? (2) What percentage of the program does this amount to?

Answer:

(1) \$9.5 million.

(2) 63%

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1572, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total cost of the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program?

Answer:

\$15.1 million.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1573, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many agriculture producers accessed assistance from the Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program in 2009?

Answer:

2511 applications were received.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1574, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What percentage of the total cost of an on-farm well did an agriculture producer have to pay to get a well drilled under the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program?

Answer:

This information is publicly available on the Ministry of Agriculture's website.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1575, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How many municipalities accessed the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program? (2) Which municipalities were they?

Answer:

- (1) 17
- (2) RM of Benson No. 35
RM of Chesterfield No. 261
RM of Scott No. 98
RM of Lajord No. 128
RM of Poplar Valley No. 12
RM of Harris No. 316
RM of Shamrock No. 134
RM of Chaplin No. 164
RM of Hudson Bay No. 394
RM of Spalding No. 368
RM of Argyle No. 1
RM of Round Valley No. 410
RM of Tecumseh No. 65
RM of Carmichael No. 109
RM of Rosedale No. 283
RM of Cut Knife No. 439
RM of Snipe Lake No. 259

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1576, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What percentage of the total cost of a well did a municipality have to pay to get a well drilled under the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program?

Answer:

This information is publicly available on the Ministry of Agriculture's website.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1577, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How many communities access the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program? (2) Which communities were they?

Answer:

- (1) Communities are not eligible applicants.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1578, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What percentage of the total cost of a well did a community have to pay to get a well drilled under the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program?

Answer:

Communities are not eligible applicants.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1579, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: (1) How many First Nations band, reserves or communities accessed the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program? (2) Which First Nations bands, reserves or communities were they?

Answer:

- (1) Two First Nations Bands.
- (2) Cowessess and Piapot.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1580, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What percentage of the total cost of a well did First Nations bands, reserves or communities have to pay to get a well drilled under the 2009 Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program?

Answer:

This information is publicly available on the Ministry of Agriculture's website.

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1581, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of on-farm wells drilled in 2009 as a result of the Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program?

Answer:

1336

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1582, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of on-farm water wells drilled in Saskatchewan in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008?

Answer:

- (1) These statistics are not tracked by the ministry.
- (2) N/A
- (3) N/A

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1583, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of community wells drilled in 2009 as a result of the Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program?

Answer:

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Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1584, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total number of community water wells drilled in Saskatchewan in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008?

Answer:

- (1) These statistics are not tracked by the ministry.
- (2) N/A
- (3) N/A

Mr. Lingenfelter asked the Government the following Question No. 1585, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Bjornerud:

To the Minister of Agriculture: What is the percentage of cattle in Saskatchewan that were raised by Hutterites in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture does not track this statistic.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Wednesday:

Hon. Ms. Heppner to move First Reading of Bill No. 144 – The Litter Control Amendment Act, 2010

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 52 and are to be answered by day no. 57:

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1590:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Ontario taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, what were the dates of this trip?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1591:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Ontario taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, at which hotels did the Legislative Secretary stay? (Please provide specific dates for each).

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1592:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Ontario taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, with whom did the Legislative Secretary meet?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1593:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Ontario taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, which correctional facilities did the Legislative Secretary tour?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1594:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Ontario taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, was the Legislative Secretary accompanied by anyone other than CPSP officials?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1595:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Alberta taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, what were the dates of this trip?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1596:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Alberta taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, at which hotels did the Legislative Secretary stay? (Please provide specific dates for each).

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1597:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Alberta taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, with whom did the Legislative Secretary meet?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1598:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Alberta taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, which correctional facilities did the Legislative Secretary tour?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1599:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Alberta taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, was the Legislative Secretary accompanied by anyone other than CPSP officials?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1600:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Manitoba taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, what were the dates of this trip?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1601:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Manitoba taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, at which hotels did the Legislative Secretary stay? (Please provide specific dates for each).

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1602:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Manitoba taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, with whom did the Legislative Secretary meet?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1603:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Manitoba taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, which correctional facilities did the Legislative Secretary tour?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1604:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: With regard to the trip to Manitoba taken by the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, was the Legislative Secretary accompanied by anyone other than CPSP officials?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1605:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: With regard to the hiring of the Vice President of Corporate Relations, was there any open competition or was Mr. Kevin Doherty recruited for this position?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1606:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: With regard to the Vice President of Corporate Relations, when was Mr. Kevin Doherty hired?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1607:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: With regard to the Vice President of Corporate Relations, were Mr. Kevin Doherty's moving expenses paid by SaskPower?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1608:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: With regard to the Vice President of Corporate Relations, how much were the moving expenses paid by SaskPower?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1609:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: With regard to the Vice President of Corporate Relations, did Mr. Kevin Doherty receive a signing bonus?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1610:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: With regard to the Vice President of Corporate Relations, what is the salary of Mr. Kevin Doherty?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1611:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) With regard to the Aboriginal Access Bursary, how many students have received the Aboriginal Access Bursary? (2) What was the average dollar value of each award? (3) What program will replace the Aboriginal Access Bursary after March 31, 2010?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1612:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) With regard to the Northern Development Fund (NDF), how many primary production loans were made in the 2009/10 fiscal year? (2) What was the average dollar value of each of the aforementioned loans? (3) How many regional development corporations have been created in conjunction with the Northern Development Fund? (4) Where are those development corporations located? (5) How many NDF grants were made in 2009/10 under the NDF grant program? (6) What was the average dollar value of each NDF grant?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1613:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) With regard to the Saskatchewan First Nations and Métis Economic Development Program, how many different entities were funded? (2) What was the average dollar amount of each grant? (3) When the program is terminated on March 31, 2010, what programming will be introduced to replace the FNMEDP? (4) If new programming is introduced, how will it effectively encourage First Nations and Métis involvement in the Saskatchewan economy?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1614:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) With regard to the Saskatchewan First Nations and Métis Community Initiative, how many initiatives and events were funded by the First Nations and Métis Community Initiative? (2) What was the average dollar amount of each grant?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1615:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) With regard to the Remote Housing Program, what is the difference between a “forgivable loan” and a grant, for the purposes of this program? (2) How many housing units have been built as a result of this program? (3) What was the average dollar value of the loans? (4) What percentage of these loans was made to self-identifying First Nations or Métis homebuilders?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1616:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) With regard to the First Nations and Métis foster home recruitment program referenced in the 2009/10 ministry plan, when will this program be implemented? (2) What is the goal for the number of new First Nations and Métis foster homes as a result of this program?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1617:

To the Minister of Social Services: In the 2009/10 ministry plan, the Ministry of Social Services promised to “partner with the Central Urban Métis Federation Incorporated to develop new spaces for child welfare in Saskatoon”, how many new spaces for child welfare in Saskatoon have been created?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1618:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) In the 2009/10 ministry plan, the Ministry of Social Services promised to “work with the First Nations organization to explore additional ways of delivery services”, what changes have been made to the cultural composition of social service delivery as a result of this promise? (2) What changes have been made to staff recruitment policies as a result of this promise? (3) What First Nations organizations did the Ministry of Social Services work with during the implementation of this promise?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1619:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many First Nations and Métis workers received training and skill development under the auspices of the Northern Career Quest Partnership in 2009/10? (2) What was the cost to the province for its contribution to this partnership?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1620:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) On what date will the ministry's First Nations and Métis Involvement and Inclusion Strategy be made public? (2) What is the timeframe for the implementation of this strategy? (3) Which First Nations and Métis groups were consulted in the development of this strategy?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1621:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) Which employment initiatives of community-based organizations were funded by the \$5.9 million earmarked for "aboriginal workforce development" in 2009/10? (2) Which communities are these organizations based in? (3) How many jobs have been created as a result of these programs?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1622:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: Which First Nations communities are represented on the Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1623:

To the Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations: (1) Does the ministry (in conjunction with the federal government) continue to fund Northern Development Agreement applications on a case-by-case basis? (2) If so, how many applications were funded? (3) What was the average dollar value of each grant? (4) Will this ad hoc funding arrangement be continued in 2010/11?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1624:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: In 2008/09, the ministry negotiated agreements between Northlands College and Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation, SIAST and Kawacatoose First Nation, and between Southeast Regional College and Cowessess First Nation. (1) How many students from the Peter Ballantyne Cree nation are enrolled in the Practical Nursing program? (2) What is the maximum capacity of that program? (3) How many students from the Kawacatoose First Nation are enrolled in the Practical Nursing program? (4) What is the maximum capacity of that program? (5) How many students from the Cowessess First Nation are enrolled in the Practical Nursing program? (6) What is the maximum capacity of that program?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1625:

To the Minister of Health: Whereas the Public Health Agency of Canada reported in *Tuberculosis in Canada 2008* that tuberculosis rate among aboriginals in Saskatchewan is 43 times higher than among non-aboriginals, what actions is the Ministry of Health taking to curb the prevalence of tuberculosis among the aboriginal population in this province?

Mr. McCall, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1626:

To the Minister of Health: Whereas tuberculosis rates are merely a symptom of the overall health gap between aboriginal and non-aboriginal residents of Saskatchewan, what steps has the government taken toward a healthier future for the First Nations and Métis people in Saskatchewan?