

No. 6

## **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

### OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

### PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

## THIRD SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

## Thursday, October 29, 2009

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Forbes, Broten, Morin, Iwanchuk, Taylor 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 invest in the planning and construction of new long-term care beds in La Ronge.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately expand the Graduate Retention Program to include Masters and Ph.D. graduates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to financially assist Duck Lake residents with exorbitant water rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

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

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 6)

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

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 7)

Of the citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to commit to maintaining quality health care services and job security for all public health care providers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 13)

### MOTIONS FOR RETURNS (NOT DEBATABLE)

The following Orders of the Assembly were issued:

By Ms. Junor, for Return No. 1 showing:

The organizational charts for each of the 13 health regions in Saskatchewan for 2003/04.

By Ms. Junor, for Return No. 2 showing:

The organizational charts for each of the 13 health regions in Saskatchewan for 2008/09.

### MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris, seconded by Ms. Ross:

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

## TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE GORDON L. BARNHART

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

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

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Lingenfelter, seconded by Ms. Higgins:

That the motion be amended by adding the following:

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

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

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

Hon. Don Toth Speaker

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 3 and are to be answered by day no. 8:

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 143:

To the Minister of Enterprise: (1) Has Enterprise Saskatchewan ever entered into any business arrangement (contractual or otherwise) with the consulting firm C2E Consulting? (2) If so, what was the nature of the work performed for each contract? (3) How much was paid to C2E for each contract? (4) Were any of these contracts tendered? (5) If so, where and when? (6) What is the total cost of all work performed by C2E consulting for Enterprise Saskatchewan? (7) In what fiscal years was the work performed? (8) What was the name(s) of the principle consultant(s) from C2E consulting who completed any work for Enterprise Saskatchewan?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 144:

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

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 145:

To the Minister of Enterprise: (1) How many investment attraction consultants does the government currently have contracts with? (2) Where are these consultants located? (3) How much is each contract worth? (4) What is the time frame of each contract?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 146:

To the Minister of Enterprise: (1) How many individuals received payments for salaries, wages, honorariums, etc. from Enterprise Saskatchewan which total \$50,000 or more for the fiscal year 2007/08? (2) 2008/09?

Mr. Taylor, to ask the Government the following Question No. 147:

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

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 148:

To the Minister of Education: How many schools are being reviewed by school boards for possible closure or grade reduction in 2009/10?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 149:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many educational assistants were employed by Saskatchewan school divisions in 2008/09? (2) What is the estimate for 2009/10?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 150:

To the Minister of Education: What was the order of priority for the capital lists for schools as of October 1, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 151:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many schools are being reviewed by school boards for possible closure or grade discontinuance? (2) Please name each school and indicate if it is full closure of grade discontinuance (and the grades affected) for each school.

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 152:

To the Minister of Education: What types of property were communities previously allowed to exempt from paying the education portion of property tax prior to the changes in education financing introduced on March 19, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 153:

To the Minister of Education: What was the order of priority for the capital lists for schools as of January 1, 2000?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 154:

To the Minister of Education: What is the difference between the number of educational assistants required under the provincial government's formula and the number employed by those school divisions who employ fewer educational assistants than required under provincial guidelines?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 155:

To the Minister of Education: What types of property are communities currently allowed to exempt from paying the education portion of property tax?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 156:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many school divisions received less provincial government funding for the 2009/10 school year than they had initially projected in their submissions to the Ministry of Education? (2) Which school divisions? (3) What was the amount of the shortfall in each instance?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 157:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many children were on the waiting list for child care spaces in Prince Albert as of September 30, 2009? (2) What is the total number of child care spaces available in that community? (3) What is the average length of time a child on that waiting list will have to wait before being placed in a space?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 158:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many children were on the waiting list for child care spaces in Saskatoon as of September 30, 2009? (2) What is the total number of child care spaces available in that community? (3) What is the average length of time a child on that waiting list will have to wait before being placed in a space?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 159:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many children were on the waiting list for child care spaces in Pangman as of September 30, 2009? (2) What is the total number of child care spaces available in that community? (3) What is the average length of time a child on that waiting list will have to wait before being placed in a space?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 160:

To the Minister of Education: The October 21, 2009 Throne Speech states that nearly 300 million has been invested in schools over the last two years and that this has resulted in improvements to more than 230 schools. (1) Which schools have received this funding? (2) How much funding did each of these schools receive? (3) For what purpose was the money used?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 161:

To the Minister of Education: How many kilometres is the Chaplin School located from the closest school?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 162:

To the Minister of Education: Which school divisions currently employ fewer educational assistants than required under the provincial government's guidelines?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 163:

To the Minister of Education: What is the difference between the number of educational assistants required under the provincial government's formula and the number employed by those school divisions who exceed the provincial guidelines?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 164:

To the Minister of Education: What health and safety concerns were identified by Figley Consulting Associates and Pattison MGM Architectural Services Ltd. in their review of the Morse School prior to the decision to proceed with closure?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 165:

To the Minister of Education: How many schools have applied for dedicated funding as schools of necessity as of September 30, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 166:

To the Minister of Education: (1) As of October 1, 2009, how many schools in the province qualify as schools of necessity? (2) What are the names and locations of these schools? (3) How many kilometres are each of these schools located from the closest school?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 167:

To the Minister of Education: In 2006, a funding commitment by three orders of government — federal, provincial and municipal — created the foundation for a major redevelopment project in Pleasant Hill called an Urban Development Agreement (UDA). Funding was provided to produce an entire block, plus

a number of adjacent lots, of clean, fully-serviced land ready for redevelopment. (1) What was the provincial government's portion of those funds? (2) What date were the funds for this Urban Development Agreement committed?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 168:

To the Minister of Education: (1) How many children were on the waiting list for child care spaces in Balgonie as of September 30, 2009? (2) What is the total number of child care spaces available in that community? (3) What is the average length of time a child on that waiting list will have to wait before being placed in a space?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 169:

To the Minister of Education: How many schools have applied for dedicated funding as schools of opportunity as of September 30, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 170:

To the Minister of Education: (1) What is the provincial government's formula for determining the number of educational assistants required by each school division? (2) Which school divisions currently employ more educational assistants than required under the provincial government's formula?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 171:

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

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 172:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: (1) How much is being budgeted in each Crown corporation for the Olympics? (2) Please include a breakdown of the following: (a) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for crown officials? (b) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for any minister or ministerial staff including but not limited to the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation and all the ministers responsible for individual Crown corporations? (c) total budget for advertising and promotional activities including sponsorship? (d) overall total budget in your ministry?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 173:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: What is the debt/equity ratio as of October 1, 2009, for each of the following: (1) SaskTel? (2) SaskEnergy? (3) SaskPower? (4) SaskWater? (5) SGI? (6) STC?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 174:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: (1) Is CIC (or individual crowns) paying for the cost of the consultant study into the domed stadium in Regina? (2) Which persons and/or firms have been contracted to do work on this project (including consultations with the public)? (3) What is the total cost of each of the contracts? (4) What is the total cost of the dome stadium project including reports, consultations, polling, and any other expenses?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 175:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: (1) Have the consultants for the dome stadium project in Regina held any consultations with the public of Regina, such as community groups? (2) If so, when were the presentations and which groups were presented to?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 176:

To the Minister of Crown Corporations: What was the value of investments held by the SGI Investment Fund as of July 1, 2009?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 177:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) What commercial agreements, contracts, letters of intent or MOUs have been signed between Bruce Power and the Government of Saskatchewan or any body on behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan? (2) Has the Government of Saskatchewan made public any of those commercial agreements, contracts, letters of intent, or MOUs? If so which ones? (3) For the ones that have not been made public, is there a timeline for making them public? If so, what is that timeline?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 178:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Has the Government of Saskatchewan or any agency or board signed any agreements with Bruce Power that commits taxpayers dollars to pay Bruce Power a break-up or kill fee if a plan for a nuclear reactor does not go ahead? (2) If so, what is the cost of that break-up or kill fee?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 179:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) On what date was the forestry centre in Prince Albert officially closed? (2) Were the FTEs assigned to that office reallocated or dismissed?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 180:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Who currently holds portions of the L & M Wood Products Partnership FMA (forest management area)? (2) What percentages of the FMA does each entity have? (3) When were these allocations assigned, and when do they expire? (4) What conditions are attached to each of these allocations? (5) Have these conditions been complied with and, if not, what have been the penalties for non-compliance?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 181:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Who currently holds portions of the Mistik Management forest management area? (2) What percentages of the FMA does each entity have? (3) When were these allocations assigned, and when do they expire? (4) What conditions are attached to each of these allocations? (5) Have these conditions been complied with? (6) If not, what have been the penalties for non-compliance?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 182:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Who currently holds portions of the Pasquia-Porcupine FMA (forest management area)? (2) What percentages of the FMA does each entity have? (3) When were these allocations assigned, and when do they expire? (4) What conditions are attached to each of

these allocations? (5) Have these conditions been complied with? (6) If not, what have been the penalties for non-compliance?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 183:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) What portion of the Prince Albert FMA has been allocated to a future purchaser of the Big River Mill? (2) What portion of this allocation is comprised of softwood? (3) What portion of this allocation is hardwood?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 184:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) What is the government's timeline for reassigning portions of the Weyerhauser Prince Albert FMA? (2) Who has been invited to bid? (3) How was this list chosen?

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 185:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Who currently holds portions of the Prince Albert forest management area? (2) What percentages of the FMA does each entity have? (3) When were these allocations assigned, and when do they expire? (4) What conditions are attached to each of these allocations? (5) Have these conditions been complied with? (6) If not, what have been the penalties for non-compliance?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 186:

To the Minister of Environment: What is the government's timeline for the formation of the Climate Change Advisory Council?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 187:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Has the government conducted consultations around the names of possible nominees to the Climate Change Advisory Council? (2) If so, what were the dates of those meetings? (3) What were the locations of those meetings? (4) What was the cost of those meetings? (5) Was any non-government contractor, consultant, or facilitator brought in for any of those meetings? (6) If so, what were they paid? (7) What date will the report on those meetings be made available?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 188:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Has the Saskatchewan government concluded an equivalency agreement with the Government of Canada regarding greenhouse gas emissions? (2) When was this agreement concluded? (3) What are the terms and conditions of this agreement?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 189:

To the Minister of Environment: On May 11, 2009, the Minister of Environment committed to further consultations with Saskatchewan people on the development of regulations for the proposed Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act, and on the funding criteria for the proposed Technology Fund and Climate Change Foundation. (1) Which persons, businesses or organizations has the Minister consulted with since that date? (2) What were the dates of those meetings? (3) What were the locations of those meetings? (4) What was the cost of those meetings? (5) Was any non-government contractor, consultant, or facilitator brought in for any of those meetings? (6) If so, what were they paid? (7) What date will the report on those meetings be made available?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 190:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) What is the government's best estimate of the number of Saskatchewan communities where the water exceeds one or more of Health Canada's guidelines for safe drinking water? (2) What are the names of those communities? (3) What is the estimated population in each of those communities who lack access to water that meets Health Canada's guidelines?

Ms. Morin, to ask the Government the following Question No. 191:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Which persons, businesses and organizations has the Legislative Secretary responsible for recycling consulted with regarding the development of a multi-material recycling program? (2) What were the dates of those meetings? (3) What were the locations of those meetings? (4) What was the cost of those meetings? (5) Was any non-government contractor, consultant, or facilitator brought in for any of those meetings? (6) If so, what were they paid? (7) What date will the report on those meetings be made available?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 192:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many times did the Privacy Commissioner investigate breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations in the WCB in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 193:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: In July of 2009 it was announced that there was a working group struck to examine workplace safety. When exactly was this group formed?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 194:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: In July of 2009 it was announced that there was a working group struck to examine workplace safety. Who is on this committee?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 195:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What are the terms of the agreement between the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour and Northern Career Quest Inc., for which \$250,000 is provided annually?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 196:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many individuals have applied directly to the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour for a Graduate Retention Program certificate since the program began?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 197:

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

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 198:

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

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 199:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many applications for a Graduate Retention Program certificate have been denied? (2) What were the reasons for denial?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 200:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many graduates from out-of-province institutions have applied for a Graduate Retention Program certificate since eligibility for the program was expanded to out-of-province graduates?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 201:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: How many individuals were automatically issued a Graduate Retention Program certificate by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour as a result of lists provided by post-secondary institutions since the program began?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 202:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many attempted convictions under Saskatchewan's Occupational Health & Safety Act that did not result in convictions were there in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009 to date?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 203:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the average time between a case being heard by the Labour Relations Board and a decision being made for the year 2008?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 204:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: In July of 2009 it was announced that there was a working group struck to examine workplace safety. How many times has the committee met to date?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 205:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) Since the answer to Written Question No. 178 of the previous session, have dismissed members of the Labour Relations Board or Workers' Compensation Board (in particular James Seibel, Angela Zborosky and Catherine Zuck) received any severance payments (including pension top-ups or other benefits)? (2) If so, how much did each individual receive?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 206:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: (1) How many attempted convictions under Saskatchewan's Occupational Health & Safety Act that did not result in convictions were there in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009 to date?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 207:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: What was the average time between a case being heard by the Labour Relations Board and a decision being made for the year 2009 to date?

Mr. Broten, to ask the Government the following Question No. 208:

To the Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour: For every time the Privacy Commissioner investigated breaches of the privacy of people, businesses or organizations in the WCB in 2008/09; what was the nature of each of those breaches?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 209:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many recipients of SAID received benefits in October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 210:

To the Minister of Social Services: What were the settlement packages given to Tim Korol and Allan Hansen as part of their dismissal?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 211:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many families qualified for the Saskatchewan Family Health Benefits in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 212:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many families qualified for the Saskatchewan Employment Supplement in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 213:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many families qualified for Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement (SRHS) in each month of 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 214:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many families were on the waiting list for the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement (SRHS) in each month of 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Ouestion No. 215:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many people were receiving Seniors Income Plan in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 216:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many single individuals received the Seniors Income Plan in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 217:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new single individuals received the Seniors Income Plan in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 218:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many couples received the Seniors Income Plan in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 219:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many children came into foster care under the authority of *The Child and Family Services Act* and were placed into overflow facilities during each month of 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 220:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many children in the care of the Minister of Social Services were housed in childcare centres in September 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 221:

To the Minister of Social Services: What was the average number of children in each foster home in Saskatchewan as of September 30, 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 222:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many foster families were providing care in Saskatchewan as of September 30, 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 223:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many children were in the care of the Minister of Social Services as of September 30, 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 224:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many foster homes housed more than the maximum number of children considered appropriate under Social Services guidelines as of September 30, 2009? (2) What was the average number of children in each of those homes?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 225:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many children in the care of the Minister of Social Services were housed in hotel rooms in September 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 226:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What was the largest number of children housed in a single foster home in Saskatchewan as of September 30, 2009? (2) How many foster homes in Saskatchewan housed that maximum number?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 227:

To the Minister of Social Services: What is the number of individuals who lived in group homes for each month of 2008 and 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 228:

To the Minister of Social Services: What is the number of individuals who lived in group living homes for each month of 2008 and 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 229:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many people have been released without cause from the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation since November 21, 2007? (2) What were their names? (3) What was the severance paid to each of them?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 230:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many employees in the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation have been designated as essential services under *The Public Service Essential Services Act*? (2) If no employees have been designated as essential under the act, what is the management assessment of employees that they would deem essential?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 231:

To the Minister of Social Services: What is the government's policy with respect to selling Saskatchewan Housing units to either commercial private sector interests or to not-for-profit organizations?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 232:

To the Minister of Social Services: What is the government's policy with respect to the sale of units owned and operated by either the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation or one of the housing authorities?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 233:

To the Minister of Social Services: To whom were the houses sold by either the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation or one of the housing authorities in 2008 and 2009 sold to?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 234:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many houses have been sold by either the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation or one of the housing authorities in 2004? (2) 2005? (3) 2006? (4) 2007? (5) 2008? (6) 2009 to date?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 235:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many houses have been sold by either the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation or one of the housing authorities to not-for-profit organizations in 2004? (2) 2005? (3) 2006? (4) 2007? (5) 2008? (6) 2009 to date?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 236:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many houses have been sold by either the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation or one of the housing authorities to commercial private sector businesses in 2004? (2) 2005? (3) 2006? (4) 2007? (5) 2008? (6) 2009 to date?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 237:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP cases were open in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 238:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many TEA cases were open in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 239:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new SAP cases were open in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 240:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new TEA cases were open in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 241:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP cases involved families with children were open in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 242:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP cases involved people living with disabilities were open in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 243:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP cases involved people who were employable were open in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 244:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received Income Assistance in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 245:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received Income Assistance in Northeast Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 246:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received Income Assistance in Centre Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 247:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received Income Assistance in Northwest Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 248:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received Income Assistance in Southeast Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 249:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received parent support workshops in Southeast Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 250:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received parent support workshops in Southwest Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 251:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received parent support workshops in Northeast Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 252:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received parent support workshops in Centre Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 253:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many new families with children received parent support workshops in Northwest Region in each month from March of 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 254:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, how many individuals received payments for salaries, wages, honorariums, etc. which total \$50,000 or more for the fiscal year 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 255:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP/TEA cases were open in Southeast region in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 256:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP/TEA cases were open in Northwest region in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 257:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP/TEA cases were open in Southwest region in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 258:

To the Minister of Social Services: How many SAP/TEA cases were open in Centre region in each month from March 2009 to October 2009?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 259:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: What is the average length of time from when a complaint is initially made to the Saskatchewan Public Complaints Commission and when the matter either becomes before a hearing or is otherwise resolved?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 260:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) How many people were employed in the province of Saskatchewan as police officers, not including RCMP, as of October 1, 2009? (2) What source are you citing for this statistic?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 261:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) With respect to the visit of former President George W. Bush to Saskatchewan in October 2009, what costs, if any, related to security for this visit were paid for by the promoters of the event? (2) Were all security-related costs borne by the taxpayers?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 262:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) With respect to the visit of former President George W. Bush to Saskatchewan in October 2009, how many members of the city of Saskatoon police, fire, and emergency response staff were assigned to assist with or provide security for this visit? (2) What was the total cost of the additional city of Saskatoon police, fire and emergency response contribution to security for this visit? (3) Which level of government is responsible for this additional cost?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 263:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: How many complaints are currently in front of the Saskatchewan Public Complaints Commission?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 264:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) As of March 31, 2009, how many federally funded policing positions, over and above normal RCMP agreements with the province or with

municipalities, are currently working in Saskatchewan? (2) What is the provincial government's cost share of each of these positions? (3) Where are these positions located? (4) If these units are working in specialized policing units, which units?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 265:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) How many provincially funded policing positions were in place as of March 1, 2009? (2) Where were these positions located? (3) If those positions were working in specialized units, which units?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 266:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) How many provincially funded policing positions were in place as of March 1, 2008? (2) Where were these positions located? (3) If those positions were working in specialized units, which units?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 267:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) As of March 31, 2008, how many federally funded policing positions, over and above normal RCMP agreements with the province or with municipalities, were working in Saskatchewan? (2) What was the provincial government's cost share of each of these positions? (3) Where were these positions located? (4) If these units were working in specialized policing units, which units?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 268:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) As of March 31, 2007, how many federally funded policing positions, over and above normal RCMP agreements with the province or with municipalities, were working in Saskatchewan? (2) What was the provincial government's cost share of each of these positions? (3) Where were these positions located? (4) If these units were working in specialized policing units, which units?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 269:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) How many provincially funded policing positions were in place as of March 1, 2007? (2) Where were these positions located? (3) If those positions were working in specialized units, which units?

Mr. Trew, to ask the Government the following Question No. 270:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) With respect to the visit of former President George W. Bush to Saskatchewan in October 2009, how many members of the RCMP were assigned to assist with or provide security for this visit? (2) What was the total cost of the RCMP contribution to security for this visit? (3) Which level of government is responsible for this additional cost?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 271:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, who are all of the staff people that have worked in your office between December 1, 2007 and October 1, 2009? (2) For each person, what was their name? (3) What was their position? (4) What was the date of hire? (5) What was the date of termination (if applicable)? (6) After ceasing to work in the minister's office, did the person became employed in Executive Council

or in a government ministry, or did they leave the employ of the Government of Saskatchewan altogether? (7) Was any severance paid? (8) If so, how much?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 272:

To the Government: For each ministry, for every time the Privacy Commissioner investigated breaches of the privacy of people, businesses, or organizations in your ministry in 2008/09, what was the nature of each of those breaches?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 273:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, how many times did the Privacy Commissioner investigate breaches of the privacy of people, businesses, or organizations in your ministry in 2006/07? (2) 2007/08? (3) 2008/09?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 274:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, how many businesses in your ministry in 2009/10 to date received a contract for over \$50,000? (2) What percentage of those businesses were based in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 275:

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

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 276:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, how many businesses in your ministry in 2008/09 received a contract for over \$50,000? (2) What percentage of those businesses were based in Saskatchewan?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 277:

To the Government: For each ministry, as of September 1, 2009, what is the total monthly cost of salaries and benefits in your Minister's office?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 278:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, how much is being budgeted in your ministry for the Olympics? (2) Please include a breakdown of the following: (a) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for ministry officials? (b) total travel and accommodation costs budgeted for the minister and ministerial staff? (c) total budget for advertising and promotional activities? (d) overall total budget in your ministry?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 279:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, how many employees in your ministry have been designated as essential services under *The Public Service Essential Services Act*? (2) If no employees have been designated as essential under the act, what is the management assessment of employees that they would deem essential?

Mr. Lingenfelter, to ask the Government the following Question No. 280:

To the Government: (1) For each ministry, how many businesses in your ministry received a contract for over \$50,000 in 2007/08? (2) What percentage of those businesses were based in Saskatchewan?

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CF: Committee of Finance
CCA-S: CCA Subcommittee

PB: Private Bills

CW: Committee of the Whole

IAJ: Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice

HOS: House Services

HUS: Human Services

ECO: Economy

HUS-S: HUS Subcommittee

CCA: Crown and Central Agencies

PAC: Public Accounts

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<u>97</u>	*	The Agri-Food Amendment Act, 2009	Bjornerud	2009-10-27	2009-10-27							
<u>98</u>	*	The Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2009	Gantefoer	2009-10-27	2009-10-27							
<u>99</u>	*	The Emergency 911 System Amendment Act, 2009	Huyghebaert	2009-10-27	2009-10-27							
<u>100</u>	*	The Doukhobors of Canada C.C.U.B. Trust Fund Amendment Act, 2009	Duncan	2009-10-27	2009-10-27							