

No. 63

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Harper, Higgins, Junor, Forbes, Vermette, Broten, Furber, Morin, Iwanchuk, 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 financially assist Duck Lake residents with exorbitant water rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

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

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to commit to upgrade and repair Highway 915.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 80)

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 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 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 pave Highway 135 through the community of Pelican Narrows. (Addendum to 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 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)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to develop an affordable housing program and to implement a process of rent review and rent control in Saskatoon and throughout Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 603)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to support midwifery in Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 611)

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 the programs offered by SIAST campuses.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 619)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1645 to 1647, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1648 to 1655, pursuant to Rule 20(5), the questions were converted and Orders for Returns were issued:

Mr. Yates, for Return No. 693 showing:

To the Premier: If the Premier has read the International Labour Organization decision.

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Mr. Yates, for Return No. 694 showing:

To the Premier: If the Government of Saskatchewan has been contacted by the federal government regarding the ILO decision and the request for the Government of Saskatchewan to report on its progress towards implementing the recommendation.

Mr. Yates, for Return No. 695 showing:

To the Premier: If the Government of Saskatchewan has informed the federal government of its intention to comply with the ILO decision.

Mr. Yates, for Return No. 696 showing: To the Premier: If the Government of Saskatchewan complied with the ILO decision.

- Mr. Yates, for Return No. 697 showing: To the Premier: If the Government of Saskatchewan has contacted the ILO to inform them of the government's intentions regarding the ILO decision.
- Mr. Yates, for Return No. 698 showing: To the Premier: If the Government of Saskatchewan has contacted the union complainants to invite them to work with the government in complying with the ILO.
- Mr. Yates, for Return No. 699 showing:

To the Premier: (1) If the Premier has given instructions to the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General to comply with the ILO decision. (2) If so, when. (3) If not, why not.

Mr. Yates, for Return No. 700 showing: To the Premier: The advice to this Legislative Assembly on whether we are going to be complying with the rule of law and international law as decided by the United Nations' ILO governing body.

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 132 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection (Land Designation) Amendment Act, 2009

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Heppner: That Bill No. 132 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection (Land Designation) Amendment Act, 2009 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

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Morgan	Bjornerud	Draude	Krawetz	Boyd
Eagles	McMorris	Cheveldayoff	Duncan	Heppner
Harpauer	D'Autremont	Harrison	Norris	Reiter
Hutchinson	Brkich	Elhard	Hart	Schriemer
Stewart	Allchurch	Weekes	Tell	Hickie
Michelson	Ottenbreit	Ross	Chisholm	Bradshaw
Kirsch	McMillan			

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Lingenfelter	McCall	Belanger	Harper	Trew
Higgins	Nilson	Forbes	Vermette	Broten
Furber	Morin	Yates	Iwanchuk	Taylor
Quennell	Wotherspoon	Chartier		

The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Harrison, in accordance with Rule 81, Bill No. 132 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection (Land Designation) Amendment Act, 2009 – was committed to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

Bill No. 134 – The Opticians Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris: That Bill No. 134 – The Opticians 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. 134 – The Opticians Act – was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 3:39 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Don Toth Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1645, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyd:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What is the breakdown of the \$49,116.60 of moving expenses for Mr. Kevin Doherty?

Answer:

Due to an accounting error the total moving expenses for Mr. Kevin Doherty were incorrectly stated as being \$49,116.60 in answer to Written Question No. 1608. However the actual total amount is \$49,346.95. The total amount can be broken down as follows:

Home Sale Costs	\$20,089.40
Moving Costs	\$14,837.17
Temporary Accommodations	<u>\$14,420.38</u>
Total Moving Costs	\$49,346.95

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1646, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyd:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How many individuals applied for the position of Vice President of Corporate Relations?

Answer:

The search firm provided an extensive list of 61 potential candidates (both internal and external) for the position.

Mr. Yates asked the Government the following Question No. 1647, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyd:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How many individuals were interviewed for the position of Vice President of Corporate Relations?

Answer:

Three potential candidates were interviewed for the position.