



No. 15

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, November 23, 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, Broten and Morin.

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 enact a Saskatchewan Seniors' Bill of Rights.

(Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to develop a poverty elimination strategy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

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.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 6)

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. 18)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to increase funding for hospice and palliative care services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 25)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to commit to providing repairs to Highway 310.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 26)

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. 29)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

Ms. Wilson, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the Ninth Report of the said committee which is as follows:

Your committee has considered the following Bill and has agreed to report the same without amendment:

Bill No. 905 – The Sisters of the Presentation Act, 2010

And further, that the fees respecting Bill No. 905 be waived.

(Sessional Paper No. 38)

On motion of Ms. Wilson:

Ordered, That the Ninth Report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be now concurred in.

Thereupon, the following Bill was reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 905 – The Sisters of the Presentation Act, 2010

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE

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

Bill No. 152 – The Commissioners for Oaths Amendment Act, 2010

SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the following:

Report of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner pursuant to section 33 of *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act* with respect to the conduct of a member (LeClerc) dated November 22, 2010.
(Sessional Paper No. 39)

Report of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner pursuant to subsection 30(5) of *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act* with respect to member's use of allowances (LeClerc) dated November 22, 2010.
(Sessional Paper No. 40)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 375 to 411, they were answered. (See Appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 156 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Act, 2010

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Boyd: That Bill No. 156 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Act, 2010 – 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. 156 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Act, 2010 – was committed to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

Bill No. 157 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2010

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Boyd: That Bill No. 157 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2010 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 158 – The Correctional Services Amendment Act, 2010

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert: That Bill No. 158 – The Correctional Services Amendment Act, 2010 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 144 – The Litter Control Amendment Act, 2010

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Duncan: That Bill No. 144 – The Litter Control Amendment Act, 2010 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Atkinson, adjourned.

Bill No. 147 – The Public Interest Disclosure Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Draude: That Bill No. 147 – The Public Interest Disclosure Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 149 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2010

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Krawetz: That Bill No. 149 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2010 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 150 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2010

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Krawetz: That Bill No. 150 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2010 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 153 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2010

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 153 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2010 – be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:55 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Don Toth
Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 375, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many acute care beds are scheduled to or have been closed in 2010 because of health region budget restraints? Provide a breakdown for each health region.

Answer:

There have been no acute care beds closed or scheduled for closure in 2010 due to health region budgeting.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 376, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many long-term care beds are scheduled to close or have been closed in 2010 because of health region budget restraints? Provide a break down for each health region.

Answer:

There was a reduction of 60 beds in special-care homes in 2010.

Health Region	Number of Beds to be Closed in 2010
Sun Country	5 10
Sunrise	45
Total	60

Sun Country Health Region believes that the closure of 5 long-term care beds in Wawota will improve patient safety. The Region also closed 10 long-term care beds in Carlyle as these beds were not in operation for the past 5 years. Sunrise Health Region is converting double rooms to single rooms which will result in a reduction of 45 beds. Many residents prefer a room of their own and this change will improve the quality of care for those residents.

Note: As a pilot project, the ministry through Prince Albert Parkland Regional Health Authority funded 15 long-term care beds in a 30 bed personal care home at Muskeg Lake. The operator of the home chose to close the personal care home and therefore these beds are no longer available.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 377, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many FTE positions have been lost in 2010 because of health region budget restraints? Provide a breakdown for each health region.

Answer:

A total of 135.69 FTE positions have been reduced in 2010 as part of health region budgeting. However, not all reductions resulted in job loss as position bumping continues. The following Regions implemented FTE reductions:

RHA	FTE Reduction
Regina Qu' Appelle	9.00
Saskatoon	75.84
Prince Albert Parkland	4.12
Kelsey Trail	3.00
Sun Country	3.40
Sunrise	40.33
Total RHA	135.69

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 378, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: What is the targeted reduction in spending for each health region in 2010 as a result of the provincial budget?

Answer:

In 2010, there was a total targeted reduction of \$35M for Regional Health Authorities, including the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency and the Athabasca Health Authority. The \$35M was allocated to each Region as follows:

RHA	Targeted Reduction (\$000s)
Regina Qu' Appelle	11,029
Saskatoon	9,897
Prince Albert Parkland	2,268
Prairie North	2,235
Mamawetan Churchill River	210
Kelsey Trail	892
Keewatin Yatthé	313
Heartland	949
Five Hills	1,096
Cypress	1,150
Sun Country	1,390
Sunrise	2,489
Total RHA	33,918
Athabasca Health Authority	135
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency	947
Provincial Total	35,000
(43% Attendance Support, 43% General Efficiency, & 14% Shared Services)	

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 379, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many acute care facilities are there in Saskatchewan?

Answer:

There are 65 acute care facilities in Saskatchewan.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 380, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Education: How much has the Ministry of Education spent at the Autism Partnership in Los Angeles in 2010?

Answer:

The Ministry of Education did not attend.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 381, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Education: How much did the Ministry of Education spend at the Autism Partnership in Los Angeles in 2009?

Answer:

The Ministry of Education did not attend.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 382, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many children under the age of 18 have been diagnosed with Autism in Saskatchewan in each health region?

Answer:

The Ministry does not collect this information.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 383, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Has Saskatchewan Health paid any money to the institute of Applied Behaviour Analysis in Los Angeles in 2010? (2) If so, what was the money spent on?

Answer:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The Ministry of Health contracted training sessions on positive practices in behavioural support and sessions on longitudinal training.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 384, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Did Saskatchewan Health pay any money to the institute of Applied Behaviour Analysis in Los Angeles in 2009? (2) If so, what was the money spent on?

Answer:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The Ministry of Health contracted training sessions on positive practices in behavioural support and sessions on longitudinal training.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 385, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How much per bed does the province pay the health region to implement the LEAN principle?

Answer:

Funding for LEAN-based initiatives is not provided on a per bed basis by the Ministry of Health.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 386, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many spirometry tests were done in each health region in 2009?

Answer:

Data is collected on a fiscal year basis (April to March). In 2009/10, the number of spirometry tests done in each health region were:

Sun Country – 79
Five Hills – 112
Cypress – 439
Regina Qu'Appelle – 4236
Sunrise – 234
Saskatoon – 6661
Heartland – 324
Kelsey Trail – 129
Prince Albert Parkland – 532
Prairie North – 75
Mamawetan – 11
Keewatin Yatthe – 0
Athabasca – 0

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 387, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many spirometry tests were done in each health region in 2008?

Answer:

Data is collected on a fiscal year basis (April to March). In 2008/09, the number of spirometry tests done in each health region were:

Sun Country – 95
Five Hills – 54
Cypress – 335
Regina Qu'Appelle – 4399
Sunrise – 414
Saskatoon – 6188
Heartland – 250
Kelsey Trail – 135
Prince Albert Parkland – 371
Prairie North – 140
Mamawetan – 31
Keewatin Yatthe – 0
Athabasca – 0

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 388, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many spirometry tests were done in each health region in 2007?

Answer:

Data is collected on a fiscal year basis (April to March). In 2007/08, the number of spirometry tests done in each health region were:

Sun Country – 154
Five Hills – 217
Cypress – 273
Regina Qu'Appelle – 4866
Sunrise – 277
Saskatoon – 6537
Heartland – 197
Kelsey Trail – 120
Prince Albert Parkland – 454
Prairie North – 60
Mamawetan – 18
Keewatin Yatthe – 0
Athabasca – 0

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 389, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many pediatricians are there in Saskatoon?

Answer:

There were 52 licensed paediatricians in Saskatoon as of September 2010.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 390, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many MRI technician vacancies are there in each facility in each health region?

Answer:

As of October 28, 2010, the Health Careers in Saskatchewan website identified the following 3 MRI technician vacancies:

- Saskatoon HR – Royal University, City, and St. Paul's Hospitals.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 391, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: What are the hours of operation for MRIs in each facility in each health region?

Answer:

MRI services are available at the following hospitals: Regina General Hospital (Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region), Royal University Hospital, Saskatoon City Hospital, St. Paul's Hospital (Saskatoon Health Region) and Lloydminster Hospital (Prairie North Health Region). Regina operates both MRI at the General Hospital from 06:30 to 22:30 Monday through Friday and one of the two units from 06:30 to 15:00 on weekends and Stat. Holidays. On call services are available after hours. In Saskatoon, the Royal University Hospital operates its MRI from 07:30 to 24:00 Monday through Friday, from 8:00 to 16:00 on weekends and from 09:30 to 20:00 on bankdays (occurs every third Friday). On call services are available after hours. Saskatoon City Hospital's MRI operates from 07:30 to 19:00 Monday through Friday. St. Paul's Hospital MRI operates from 07:30 to 24:00 Monday through Friday. On call services are available after hours. In Prairie North Health Region, a mobile MRI unit is being operated in conjunction with the Alberta Health Services Board which visits the Lloydminster Hospital one in every five weeks for four ten-hour days. This service cares for both Alberta and Saskatchewan residents in the area.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 392, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many CT scan technician vacancies are there in each facility in each health region?

Answer:

As of October 28, 2010, the Health Careers in Saskatchewan website identifies the following single medical imaging technologist vacancy:

- Saskatoon HR – no specific facility identified, only the medical imaging department.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 393, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: What are the hours of operation for CT scans in each facility in each health region?

Answer:

CT scans are provided in Regional and Provincial Hospitals. Cypress Regional Health Authority – Swift Current's Cypress Regional Hospital operate its CT service from 7:30 to 16:00, Monday through Friday. On-call services are available on weekends and after hours. Five Hills Regional Health Authority – Moose Jaw Union Hospital operates its CT from 8:00 to 16:30, Monday through Friday. On-call services are available on weekends and after hours. PA Parkland Regional Health Authority – Victoria Hospital at Prince Albert operates its CT from 8:00 to 16:30, Monday through Friday. On-call services are available on weekends and after hours. Prairie North Regional Health Authority – both Battleford Union Hospital and the Lloydminster Hospital operate their CT services from 8:00 to 16:30, Monday through Friday. On-call services are available on weekends and after hours. Regina Qu'Appelle Regional Health Authority – The Regina General Hospital operates one of its two CT from 7:00 to 21:00 Monday through Friday and 07:30 to 21:00 on weekends and Stat. Holidays. The second unit operates between 7:00 and 17:00. From 17:00 to 0:00 the scanner is reserved for the Emergency Department and inpatients, Monday through Friday. The Pasqua Hospital operates its CT from 07:00 to 00:30 Monday through Friday and 07:30 to 00:30 on weekends and Stat. Holidays. On call services are available after hours at both Regina hospitals. Saskatoon Regional Health Authority – the Royal University Hospital operates one of its two CT from 07:30 to 20:30 Monday through Friday and from 8:00 to midnight on weekends and stat. Holidays. The

second CT operates from 08:00 to 16:00. On call services are available after hours. Saskatoon City Hospital CT operates between 07:30 and 16:30 Monday through Friday. On call services are available after hours. St. Paul's Hospital CT operates from 07:30 to 17:00 Monday through Friday and on Stat Holidays. On call services are available after hours. Sunrise Regional Health Authority – operates its CT services from 08:00 to 16:30, Monday through Friday. On-call services are available on weekends and after hours.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 394, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many laboratory technician vacancies are there in each health region?

Answer:

As of October 28, 2010, the Health Careers in Saskatchewan website identified the following 11 medical laboratory technologist vacancies:

Saskatoon – 1
Prairie North – 2
Kelsey Trail – 4
Sun Country – 2
Sunrise – 2

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 395, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many communities are experiencing a reduction in hours or a loss of maintenance services in each health region?

Answer:

Three communities experienced a slight reduction in maintenance hours as a result of staffing models being aligned to other regional facilities and standards. However, there has been no reduction in maintenance service for these communities.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 396, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many communities are experiencing a reduction in hours or a loss of x-ray services in each health region?

Answer:

Seven communities are experiencing a reduction in hours and three are experiencing an interruption of service as a result of staffing issues and service realignment. The following communities were affected:

Saskatoon Regional Health Authority:

- Wadena – temporary disruption in service.

Prince Albert Parkland Regional Health Authority:

- Hafford & Leoville – interruption of service due to service realignment.
- Spiritwood & Big River – reduction in hours due to service realignment.

Prairie North Health Region:

- Neilburg & Paradise Hill – reduction in hours due to service realignment.

Cypress Health Region:

- Eastend – reduction in hours due to staffing.

Five Hills Health Region:

- Central Butte – reduction in hours due to staffing.
- Kincaid – interruption of service due to staffing.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 397, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many communities are experiencing a reduction in hours or a loss of lab services in each health region?

Answer:

Ten communities are experiencing a reduction in hours of lab services as a result of service realignment and staffing issues in the following health regions:

- 4 – Prince Albert Parkland Regional Health Authority
- 2 – Prairie North Health Region
- 1 – Cypress Health Region
- 2 – Five Hills Health Region
- 1 – Sunrise Regional Health Authority

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 398, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many communities are experiencing a reduction in hours or a loss of dietary services in each health region?

Answer:

One community in the Saskatoon Health Region has reduced dietary service hours due to limited demand, and also eliminated non-essential dietary services (in-house catering for meetings).

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 399, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many communities are experiencing a reduction in hours or a loss of housekeeping services in each health region?

Answer:

There are no communities experiencing a reduction in hours or a loss of housekeeping services.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 400, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many communities are experiencing a reduction in hours or a loss of ambulance services in each health region?

Answer:

- Prairie North Health Region: One community is experiencing a reduction in hours.
- Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region: One community is experiencing a reduction in hours.
- Cypress Health Region: One community is experiencing a reduction in hours.
- Heartland Health Region: Two communities are experiencing a reduction in hours.
- Saskatoon Health Region: Two communities are experiencing an interruption of ambulance services.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 401, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: What were the Workers' Compensation Board costs for affiliates in 2009?

Answer:

The Worker's Compensation Board costs for affiliates in 2009 were \$3,158,405.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 402, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: What were the Workers' Compensation Board costs for affiliates in 2008?

Answer:

The Worker's Compensation Board costs for affiliates in 2008 were \$3,454,108.93.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 403, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: What were the Workers' Compensation Board costs for affiliates in 2007?

Answer:

The Worker's Compensation Board costs for affiliates in 2007 were \$3,720,933.13.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 404, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many vacancies are there for all employee classifications for each health region?

Answer:

As of November 16, 2010, the Health Careers in Saskatchewan website identifies 573 postings (note this does not include multiple vacancies assigned to one posting):

Athabasca – 3
 Keewatin Yatthe – 18
 Mamawetan Churchill River – 12
 Prairie North – 51
 Prince Albert Parkland – 58
 Kelsey Trail – 22
 Saskatoon – 78
 Heartland – 32
 Sunrise – 48
 Cypress – 10
 Five Hills – 25
 Regina Qu'Appelle – 75
 Sun Country – 131
 Saskatchewan Cancer Agency – 10

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 405, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: What is the number of reduced hours for every employee classification for each health region?

Answer:

Sick Time Hours per Paid FTE, April-October 2010

RHAs/SCA	2010
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency	30.67
Sun Country	41.13
Five Hills	31.59
Cypress	29.29
Regina Qu'Appelle	41.81
Sunrise	42.26
Saskatoon	40.41
Heartland	39.60
Kelsey Trail	32.27
Prince Albert Parkland	37.17
Prairie North	38.60
Mamawetan Churchill River	45.12
Keewatin Yatthe	45.36

Wage-driven Premium Hours per Paid FTE, April-October 2010

RHAs/SCA	2010
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency	5.43
Sun Country	19.85
Five Hills	10.89
Cypress	16.30
Regina Qu'Appelle	32.54
Sunrise	36.02
Saskatoon	17.95
Heartland	19.14
Kelsey Trail	12.32
Prince Albert Parkland	25.65
Prairie North	23.08
Mamawetan Churchill River	42.57
Keewatin Yatthé	51.11

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 406, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many Special Care Aide vacancies are there in each of the health regions?

Answer:

As of October 28, 2010, the Health Careers in Saskatchewan website identified the following 72 Special Care Aide vacancies:

Prince Albert Parkland – 5
 Regina Qu'Appelle – 30
 Saskatoon – 20
 Sun Country – 17

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 407, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many Special Care Aides are there in each of the health regions?

Answer:

Number of Special Care Aides expressed as FTEs April – October 2010

RCAs/SCA	Paid FTE
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency	40.08
Sun Country	509.18
Five Hills	294.91
Cypress	323.24
Regina Qu'Appelle	1,340.14
Sunrise	637.20
Saskatoon	1,920.89
Heartland	297.00
Kelsey Trail	351.53
Prince Albert Parkland	473.68
Prairie North	465.95
Mamawetan Churchill River	25.70
Keewatin Yatthé	52.95

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 408, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many Licensed Practical Nurse vacancies are there in each of the health regions?

Answer:

Number of Licensed Practical Nurse Vacancies expressed in FTEs as of September 30, 2010

RCAs/SCA	FTEs
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency	0.0
Sun Country	8.8
Five Hills	0.8
Cypress	0.0
Regina Qu'Appelle	68.9
Sunrise	5.6
Saskatoon	34.1
Heartland	0.8
Kelsey Trail	0.0*
Prince Albert Parkland	7.3
Prairie North	11.8
Mamawetan Churchill River	1.0
Keewatin Yatthé	0.7

*Information for Kelsey Trail is as of June 30, 2010 due to unavailability of the September 30, 2010 data.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 409, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: How many Licensed Practical Nurses are there in each of the health regions?

Answer:

Number of Licensed Practical Nurse expressed in FTEs April – October 2010.

RCAs/SCA	FTEs
Sun Country	84.48
Five Hills	74.24
Cypress	84.00
Regina Qu'Appelle	507.63
Sunrise	143.25
Saskatoon	427.78
Heartland	76.77
Kelsey Trail	83.97
Prince Albert Parkland	184.25
Prairie North	167.21
Mamawetan Churchill River	16.58
Keewatin Yatthé	12.77

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 410, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many new nursing positions have been created in each health region? (2) Where are these positions located? (3) What is the official job title of each new position? (4) What is the job description for each newly created nursing position?

Answer:

- (1) As of April-October 2010, there were 6,560.18 nursing positions by straight time hours expressed in FTEs compared to 6,406.92 in 2007/08.

RHAs	April-October 2010
Sun Country	252.43
Five Hills	268.62
Cypress	277.31
Regina Qu'Appelle	1,904.76
Sunrise	389.06
Saskatoon	2,257.38
Heartland	182.19
Kelsey Trail	191.04
Prince Albert Parkland	380.41
Prairie North	436.27
Mamawetan Churchill River	36.25
Keewatin Yatthé	34.47
Provincial Total	6,560.18

- (2) The total number of nursing positions are provided by each health region, and is not further broken down by individual facilities and locations.
- (3) The allocation of nursing resources is the responsibility of Regional Health Authorities and that level of detail regarding specific official job titles is not provided to the Ministry of Health.
- (4) Nursing job descriptions are the responsibility of Regional Health Authorities and that level of detail is not provided to the Ministry of Health.

Ms. Junor asked the Government the following Question No. 411, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many acute care facilities are there per health region? (2) Where are they located?

Answer:

- (1) The number of acute care facilities in each health region:

Athabasca – 1
 Cypress – 5
 Five Hills – 4
 Heartland – 7
 Keewatin Yatthé – 2
 Kelsey Trail – 6
 Mamawetan Churchill River – 1
 Prairie North – 5
 Prince Albert Parkland – 4
 Regina Qu'Appelle – 9
 Saskatoon – 10
 Sun Country – 5
 Sunrise – 6

- (2) The acute care facilities are located in the following communities:

Athabasca Health Authority:

Yutthé Dene Nakóhódí Health Centre, Stony Rapids

Cypress:

Herbert and District Integrated Healthcare Facility, Herbert

Leader Hospital, Leader

Maple Creek Hospital, Maple Creek

Shaunavon Hospital & Care Centre, Shaunavon
Cypress Regional Hospital, Swift Current

Five Hills:

Assiniboia Union Hospital, Assiniboia
Central Butte Regency Hospital, Central Butte
St. Joseph's Hospital, Gravelbourg
Moose Jaw Union Hospital, Moose Jaw

Heartland:

Biggar Hospital, Biggar
Davidson Health Centre, Davidson
Kerrobert Health Centre, Kerrobert
Outlook Union Hospital, Outlook
Rosetown & District Health Centre, Rosetown
Unity & District Health Centre, Unity
Kindersley & District Health Centre, Kindersley

Keewatin Yatthé:

St. Joseph's Health Centre, Ile a La Crosse
La Loche Health Centre, La Loche

Kelsey Trail:

Hudson Bay Health Care Facility, Hudson Bay
Kelvington Hospital, Kelvington
Porcupine-Carragana Hospital, Porcupine Plain
Melfort Hospital, Melfort

Tisdale Hospital, Tisdale

Nipawin Hospital, Nipawin

Mamawetan Churchill River:

La Ronge Health Centre, La Ronge

Prairie North:

Maidstone Health Complex, Maidstone
Riverside Health Complex, Turtleford
Northwest Health Facility – Meadow Lake Hospital, Meadow Lake
Lloydminster Hospital, Lloydminster
Battlefords Union Hospital, North Battleford

Prince Albert Parkland:

Big River Health Centre, Big River
Spiritwood Health Complex, Spiritwood
Shellbrook Hospital, Shellbrook
Victoria Hospital, Prince Albert

Regina Qu'Appelle:

Balcarres Integrated Care Centre, Balcarres
Broadview Hospital, Broadview, Community Hospital
All Nations' Healing Hospital, Fort Qu'Appelle
Indian Head Hospital, Indian Head
Southeast Integrated Care Centre, Moosomin
St. Joseph's Integrated Care Centre, Lestock
Wolseley Memorial Hospital, Wolseley

Pasqua Hospital, Regina

Regina General Hospital, Regina

Saskatoon:

Lanigan Hospital, Lanigan

Rosthern Hospital, Rosthern
Wadena Hospital, Wadena
Wakaw Hospital, Wakaw
Watrous Hospital, Watrous
Wynyard Hospital, Wynyard
Humboldt District Hospital, Humboldt
Royal University Hospital, Saskatoon
Saskatoon City Hospital, Saskatoon
St. Paul's Hospital, Saskatoon
Sun Country:
Arcola Health Centre, Arcola
Kipling Memorial Health Centre, Kipling
Redvers Health Centre Redvers Community Hospital
St. Joseph's Hospital, Estevan
Weyburn General Hospital, Weyburn
Sunrise:
Canora Hospital, Canora
St. Anthony's Hospital, Esterhazy
Kamsack Hospital, Kamsack
Preeceville and District Health Centre, Preeceville
St. Peter's Hospital, Melville
Yorkton Regional Health Centre, Yorkton

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Brkich to move the following motion:

That this Assembly recognize the Saskatchewan Government's efforts to rebuild the infrastructure and roads of rural Saskatchewan and acknowledges that there is a new sense in rural Saskatchewan that their government is listening and responding to the needs of our agricultural producers.

NOTICE OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

On Thursday:

Mr. Forbes to move the following motion:

That this Assembly calls on the government to recognize the urgent nature of the housing and affordability crisis across the province, as evidenced by the fact that the Salvation Army is having to turn people away from its emergency shelters in Saskatoon due to over capacity for the first time;

And further, that in making this call, the Assembly urges the government to do the following:

- (1) To immediately assist emergency shelters to increase their capacity to provide desperately needed services during cold winter months;
- (2) To immediately begin the process of developing a comprehensive affordable housing strategy and a comprehensive poverty reduction strategy to address the underlying causes of this crisis.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

On Thursday:

No. 1 (Opposition)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

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And further, that in making this call, the Assembly urges the government to do the following:

- (1) To immediately assist emergency shelters to increase their capacity to provide desperately needed services during cold winter months;
- (2) To immediately begin the process of developing a comprehensive affordable housing strategy and a comprehensive poverty reduction strategy to address the underlying causes of this crisis.

No. 2 (Government)

Adjourned debate on the proposed **Motion No. 1** of Mr. Ottenbreit:

That this Assembly recognize the dutiful efforts of the many volunteers, organizations, and different levels of government's swift response to the emergency situations of this past summer, as well as our continued efforts to enhance and expand the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program to the benefit of those who must rebuild their lives after the disastrous flooding of 2010.

Adjourned Once

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 13 and are to be answered by day no. 18:

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 419:

To the Minister of Education: On November 17, 2010, the Minister of Education told the Legislature that "there was an increase of 286 other specialists — be it occupational therapists, speech pathologists, special education teachers — that were brought into the school divisions." (1) In which school divisions were those positions added? (2) What was the breakdown of specialists in each school division? (3) On what date did those specialists begin work?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 420:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: What was the cost of the trade mission trip to China in January and February 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 421:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: What was Sask Power's role in the trade mission trip to China in January and February 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 422:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: Who participated in the trade mission trip to China in January and February 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 423:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: How were costs distributed for the trade mission trip to China in January and February 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 424:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: With whom did meetings occur on the trade mission trip to China in January and February 2010?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 425:

To the Minister of Energy and Resources: (1) Has any investment or new business activity resulted from the trade mission trip to China in January and February 2010? (2) If so, what?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 426:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 16 between the Manitoba border and Yorkton? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 427:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 16 between the Manitoba border and Yorkton? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 428:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 16 between the Manitoba border and Yorkton? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 429:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 16 between Yorkton and Saskatoon? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 430:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 16 between Yorkton and Saskatoon? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 431:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 16 between Yorkton and Saskatoon? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 432:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 16 between Saskatoon and North Battleford? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 433:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 16 between Saskatoon and North Battleford? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 434:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 16 between Saskatoon and North Battleford? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 435:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 16 between North Battleford and the Alberta border? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 436:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 16 between North Battleford and the Alberta border? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 437:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 16 between North Battleford and the Alberta border? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 438:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 11 between Regina and Davidson? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 439:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 11 between Regina and Davidson? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 440:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 11 between Regina and Davidson? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 441:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 11 between Davidson and Saskatoon? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 442:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 11 between Davidson and Saskatoon? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 443:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 11 between Davidson and Saskatoon? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 444:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 11 between Saskatoon and Prince Albert? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 445:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 11 between Saskatoon and Prince Albert? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 446:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 11 between Saskatoon and Prince Albert? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 447:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2009 on Highway 2 between Prince Albert and La Ronge? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 448:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2008 on Highway 2 between Prince Albert and La Ronge? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

Mr. Harper, to ask the Government the following Question No. 449:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many vehicle accidents occurred in 2007 on Highway 2 between Prince Albert and La Ronge? (2) How many of these accidents were between two private passenger vehicles? (3) How many of these accidents involved a semi-trailer unit? (4) How many of these accidents resulted in death? (5) How many of these accidents resulted in multiple deaths?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 14 and are to be answered by day no. 19:

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 450:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2009/10?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 451:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2009/10?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 452:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2008/09?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 453:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2008/09?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 454:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2007/08?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 455:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2007/08?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 456:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2006/07?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 457:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2006/07?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 458:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2005/06?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 459:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2005/06?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 460:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2004/05?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 461:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2004/05?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 462:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2003/04?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 463:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2003/04?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 464:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2002/03?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 465:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2002/03?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 466:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2001/02?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 467:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2001/02?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 468:

To the Minister of Health: What was the per diem rate paid by the Saskatoon Health Region to the Parkridge Nursing Home in 2000/01?

Ms. Atkinson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 469:

To the Minister of Health: What was the facility fee, or other fees, paid to Parkridge for the purposes of enabling Parkridge to recover the capital cost of the project in 2000/01?