



No. 59

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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**Tuesday, May 10, 2011**

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: Higgins, Forbes, Broten, Furber, Morin, Iwanchuk, Quennell and Wotherspoon.

### **READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS**

According to Order, the following Petitions were favourably examined and pursuant to Rule 16(7) read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a subsidy to personal care homes for senior citizens.

(Sessional Paper No. 210)

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 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 provide funding for educational assistants for special needs students.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 32)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to withdraw Bill No. 160 and hold public consultations.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 78)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to address the funding inequity between Regina Catholic Schools and Regina Public Schools.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 85)

Of 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 through retention and recruitment.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 87)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately return to the bargaining table with Saskatchewan teachers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 207)

#### **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY**

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

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

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

The following Bill was reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Duncan:

That Bill No. 155 – The Natural Resources Amendment Act, 2010 – be now read the third time and passed under its title.

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

YEAS – 33

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

## NAYS – 19

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

Mr. Stewart, Chair of the Standing Committee on the Economy, presented the Ninth Report of the said committee, which is as follows:

Your committee considered the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates of the following government ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

**Main Estimates, 2011/2012:**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2012, the following sums:

**Executive Branch of Government**

For Agriculture .....	\$415,808,000
For Energy and Resources .....	\$49,078,000
For Enterprise and Innovation Programs .....	\$27,347,000
For Enterprise Saskatchewan .....	\$41,803,000
For Environment .....	\$188,888,000
For Highways and Infrastructure .....	\$270,893,000
For Innovation Saskatchewan .....	\$3,467,000
For Saskatchewan Research Council .....	\$18,133,000

**Lending and Investing Activities**

For Enterprise and Innovation Programs .....	\$4,000,000
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Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2012, the following sums, which to the extent that they remain unexpended for that fiscal year are also granted for the fiscal year ending on March 31, 2013:

**Major Capital Expenditure**

For Highways and Infrastructure Capital .....	\$285,300,000
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**Supplementary Estimates, 2010/2011 (March):**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2011, the following sums:

**Executive Branch of Government**

For Energy and Resources .....	\$36,226,000
For Enterprise and Innovation Programs .....	\$800,000
For Enterprise Saskatchewan .....	\$3,000,000
For Environment .....	\$37,015,000
For Highways and Infrastructure .....	\$29,500,000
For Innovation Saskatchewan .....	\$8,500,000

Your committee recommends that upon concurrence of its report by the Assembly, the sums as reported and approved shall be included in the Appropriation Bill for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.  
(Sessional Paper No. 211)

On motion of Mr. Stewart:

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

**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. 169 – The Saskatchewan Financial Services Commission Amendment Act, 2011

Mr. Michelson, Chair of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice, presented the Tenth Report of the said committee, which is as follows:

Your committee considered the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates of the following government ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

**Main Estimates, 2011/2012:**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2012, the following sums:

**Executive Branch of Government**

For Corrections, Public Safety and Policing .....	\$378,554,000
For First Nations and Métis Relations .....	\$82,203,000
For Justice and Attorney General .....	\$150,604,000
For Municipal Affairs .....	\$388,668,000
For Office of the Provincial Capital Commission .....	\$9,813,000
For Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport .....	\$106,698,000

**Lending and Investing Activities**

For First Nations and Métis Relations .....	\$350,000
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**Supplementary Estimates, 2010/2011 (March):**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2011, the following sums:

**Executive Branch of Government**

For Corrections, Public Safety and Policing .....	\$13,187,000
For Justice and Attorney General .....	\$3,771,000
For Office of the Provincial Capital Commission .....	\$100,000

Your committee recommends that upon concurrence of its report by the Assembly, the sums as reported and approved shall be included in the Appropriation Bill for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.  
(Sessional Paper No. 212)

On motion of Mr. Michelson:

Ordered, That the Tenth Report of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice be now concurred in.

**ADJOURNED DEBATES****Bill No. 160 – The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2010**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 160 – The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code Amendment 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. 160 – The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2010 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

**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 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. 147 – The Public Interest Disclosure Act – was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

**Bill No. 161 – The Election Amendment Act, 2010**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 161 – The Election Amendment 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. 161 – The Election Amendment Act, 2010 – was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

***Hon. Don Toth***  
***Speaker***

## NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Thursday:

Ms. Morin to move First Reading of Bill No. 626 – The Wildlife Habitat Protection Amendment Act, 2011

Ms. Morin to move First Reading of Bill No. 627 – The Oil Sands Environmental Impact Financial Compensation Act

Mr. Wotherspoon to move First Reading of Bill No. 628 – The Financial Administration Amendment Act, 2011

Mr. Wotherspoon to move First Reading of Bill No. 629 – The Independent Budget Officer Act

Ms. Junor to move First Reading of Bill No. 630 – The Health Document Storage Act

## NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

On Thursday:

### No. 1 (Government)

Not submitted – Item of business determined pursuant to Rule 23(3)

### No. 2 (Opposition)

Not submitted – Item of business determined pursuant to Rule 23(3)

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 57 and are to be answered by day no. 62:**

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1058:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) How many youth while under the responsibility of Corrections and Public Safety attempted suicide in 2000? (2) 2001? (3) 2002? (4) 2003? (5) 2004? (6) 2005? (7) 2006? (8) 2007? (9) 2008? (10) 2009? (11) 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1059:

To the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing: (1) How many youth while under the responsibility of Corrections and Public Safety committed suicide in 2000? (2) 2001? (3) 2002? (4) 2003? (5) 2004? (6) 2005? (7) 2006? (8) 2007? (9) 2008? (10) 2009? (11) 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1060:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many youth while under the responsibility of Social Services attempted suicide in 2000? (2) 2001? (3) 2002? (4) 2003? (5) 2004? (6) 2005? (7) 2006? (8) 2007? (9) 2008? (10) 2009? (11) 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1061:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many youth while under the responsibility of Social Services committed suicide in 2000? (2) 2001? (3) 2002? (4) 2003? (5) 2004? (6) 2005? (7) 2006? (8) 2007? (9) 2008? (10) 2009? (11) 2010?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1062:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many people with disabilities who are clients of the Saskatchewan Assured Income for Disability (SAID) program and the Saskatchewan Assistance Program (SAP) benefited from an increase to earnings exemptions, effective February 1, 2011 in February 2011? (2) March 2011? (3) April 2011?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1063:

To the Minister of Social Services: On May 3, 2011 during Question Period, the Minister of Social Services claimed “the fact that the number of seniors living in poverty under the NDP tripled in their last 10 years of government. The number of seniors living in poverty under the NDP went from 7,000 to 23,000 people in 10 years.” What are the ministry’s sources for these claims?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1064:

To the Minister of Social Services: On May 3, 2011 during Question Period, the Minister of Social Services claimed “We have 436 new units for seniors that are under construction at this time right now, under construction or completed.” What are the ministry’s sources for these claims?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1065:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What was the paid attendance to the housing summit held in April 2011? (2) What was the cost of the summit? (3) How many Social Services employees attended the summit? (4) How many non-profit representatives attended the summit and paid their own registration fees? (5) How many non-profit representatives attended the summit and had their registration fees paid by the government?

Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1066:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: What were or are the uses of the 2008 BMW Z4 Roadster and the 2009 BMW Coupe purchased for \$111,692 according to the 2009 annual Payee Disclosure Report?

**The following Questions were given notice on day no. 59 and are to be answered by day no. 64:**

Mr. Yates, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1067:

To the Premier: (1) How much money was spent on producing and paying for time for all tv commercials made by the Saskatchewan government that include the voice and/or image of Premier Brad Wall in 2011? (2) 2010? (3) 2009? (4) 2008?



Ms. Higgins, to ask the Government the following Question No. 1068:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) The *Big Game Draw and Spring Hunting Guide* states that Canadian resident “hunters must complete an online application form and select one wildlife zone of their choice from a list of available zones. There will be no priority pool system or limited quotas for 2011.” Will licenses available in specific zones to Saskatchewan residents be reduced by the number applied for by Canadian residents? (2) Are Canadian resident licenses over and above the quotas available to Saskatchewan resident applicants? (3) Why are there no quotas applicable to Canadian resident licenses, but reduced quotas available to Saskatchewan residents in the big game draws for 2011?