



No. 62

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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**Monday, May 16, 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: Junor, Forbes, Broten, Furber, Morin, Iwanchuk 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 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 enact some form of rent control to protect Saskatchewan renters from unreasonable increases in rent.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 29)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to devote the necessary resources for the construction of an elementary school in Hampton Village.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 77)

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 begin a comprehensive, transparent and public review of Saskatchewan's potash royalty system.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 125)

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE  
RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES AFFAIRES INTERGOUVERNEMENTALES ET DE LA 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 moved by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:

That Bill No. 160 – The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code 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:

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

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

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:

Le projet de loi suivant est rapporté sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier, est lu une troisième fois et adopté:

Bill No. 172 – The Victims of Crime Amendment Act, 2011

Projet de loi n° 172 – Loi de 2011 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les victimes d'actes criminels

### **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

Mr. Ottenbreit, Chair of the Standing Committee on Human Services, 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 Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration .....	\$854,034,000
For Education.....	\$1,261,463,000
For Health .....	\$4,462,129,000
For Labour Relations and Workplace Safety.....	\$16,958,000
For Social Services .....	\$822,956,000

##### **Lending and Investing Activities**

For Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration .....	\$50,000,000
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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 Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration .....	\$78,059,000
For Education.....	\$68,614,000

For Health ..... \$162,996,000

For Social Services ..... \$42,140,000

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. 213)

On motion of Mr. Ottenbreit:

Ordered, That the Tenth Report of the Standing Committee on Human Services be now concurred in.

#### **WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 1058 to 1066, they were answered. (See Appendix)

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 3:00 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

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

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1058, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:**

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?

Answer:

The Ministry of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing does not have attempted suicide data prior to 2007. The number of youth who attempted suicide while under the responsibility of the Ministry of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing is:

- (1) No data for 2000.
- (2) No data for 2001.
- (3) No data for 2002.
- (4) No data for 2003.
- (5) No data for 2004.
- (6) No data for 2005.
- (7) No data for 2006.
- (8) 1 in 2007.
- (9) 1 in 2008.
- (10) 1 in 2009.
- (11) 3 in 2010.

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1059, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Huyghebaert:**

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?

Answer:

The number of youth that committed suicide while under the responsibility of the Ministry Corrections, Public Safety and Policing is:

- (1) 0 in 2000.
- (2) 0 in 2001.
- (3) 0 in 2002.
- (4) 0 in 2003.
- (5) 0 in 2004.
- (6) 0 in 2005.
- (7) 0 in 2006.
- (8) 0 in 2007.
- (9) 0 in 2008.
- (10) 0 in 2009.
- (11) 0 in 2010.

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1060, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Draude:**

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?

Answer:

- (1) N/A. The Ministry began tracking the data related to attempted suicides in 2007; the policy for the tracking of critical injuries came into effect April 1, 2007.
- (2) Refer to (1).
- (3) Refer to (1).
- (4) Refer to (1).
- (5) Refer to (1).
- (6) Refer to (1).
- (7) Refer to (1).
- (8) None.
- (9) None.
- (10) 1
- (11) 2

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1061, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Draude:**

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?

Answer:

- (1) None.
- (2) 2
- (3) None.
- (4) None.
- (5) 1
- (6) None.
- (7) None.
- (8) 1
- (9) 1
- (10) None.
- (11) 1

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1062, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Draude:**

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?

Answer:

- (1) 511
- (2) 537
- (3) 548

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1063, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Draude:**

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?

Answer:

Garson Hunter, Ph.D., *United Nations Human Rights Council Review of Canada and Canada's Response to Recommendation 17. Poverty among Seniors, Women, and Children, and Income Inequality in Canada and Saskatchewan*, University of Regina, November 2010.

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1064, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Draude:**

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?

Answer:

A list is maintained by the ministry that includes every senior project that is under construction or in planning.

**Mr. Forbes asked the Government the following Question No. 1065, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Draude:**

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?

Answer:

- (1) 195 attendants paid.
- (2) The total cost of the summit is not yet available.
- (3) 21
- (4) 19
- (5) 14

**Ms. Higgins asked the Government the following Question No. 1066, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:**

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?

Answer:

The vehicles were prizes for the Casino Regina and Casino Moose Jaw "Royal Treatment" promotion, held from June 1 - July 10, 2009.

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**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?