

No. 16

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

# OF THE

#### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

#### PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

#### FIRST SESSION - TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

# Thursday, March 15, 2012

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

### ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER

The Clerk advised the Assembly that the Speaker would not be present to open the sitting. Thereupon, the Deputy Speaker took the chair.

# PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Forbes, Wotherspoon, Broten and Vermette.

# 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 review the current legislation and regulations with respect to trapping and firearms.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 27)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately enact Bill No. 601 – The Jimmy's Law Act, to ensure greater safety for retail workers who work late night hours.

(Addendum to 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 enact a Saskatchewan Seniors' Bill of Rights.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 41)

#### SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

The Order of the Day being called for the following Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Mr. McCall:

That this Assembly support the inclusion of all young people under the age of 18 in any consideration of constituency boundary changes, and reject expanding the number of constituencies in the province by three.

A debate arising and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to Rule 24(4) the Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings.

#### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 1** it was moved by Mr. Stewart:

That this Assembly calls upon all parties in the federal Parliament of Canada to unite in support of the Keystone XL pipeline project without further delay.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Weekes, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Dan D'Autremont Speaker

# NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 15 and are to be answered by day no. 20:

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 185:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: According to clause 43(1)(c) of *The Drainage Control Act*, an applicant shall file with a watershed commission a general plan described in s.6 and a detailed plan in s.7 of the Act. (1) How many filings did the Saskatchewan Watershed Commission receive in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

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

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many notices of filings were issued to applicants who submitted filings in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

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

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: According to s.9(4) of Chapter D-33.1 REG 1 of *The Drainage Control Act*, a watershed commission may require an applicant to publish the notice at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in any newspaper that is named by the watershed commission. (1) How many applicants who were issued notices were required to publish the notices in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

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

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: According to s.8 of Chapter D-33.1 REG 1 of *The Drainage Control Act*, a watershed commission may waive the necessity for filing a general plan or a detailed plan of the drainage works; or the necessity for showing any specific information on a plan. (1) How many waivers were granted under this section in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

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

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Who currently sits on the Water Appeal Board?

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

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many appeals did the Water Appeal Board hear in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011? (8) Under what Acts?

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

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many of the appeals heard by the Water Appeal Board were successful in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 192:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) What is the total number of deposits the Water Appeal Board requested from applicants before the Water Appeal Board heard the appeal in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 193:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many appellants proceeded with an appeal hearing after the Water Appeal Board requested a deposit from the appellant in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 194:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times did an appellant aggrieve a decision or order of the Water Appeal Board and proceed to court in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 195:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Before filing a formal complaint with the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority an applicant who claims to have suffered, or anticipates they will suffer injury, loss or damage by reason of the construction, extension, alteration or operation of any drainage works must submit a written request to the corporation for assistance in resolving the complaint. (1) How many written requests for assistance did the Watershed Authority receive in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 196:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Before filing a formal complaint with the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority an applicant who claims to have suffered, or anticipates they will suffer injury, loss or damage by reason of the construction, extension, alteration or operation of any drainage works must submit a written request to the corporation for assistance in resolving the complaint. How many written requests for assistance did the Watershed Authority dismiss in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 197:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Before filing a formal complaint with the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority an applicant who claims to have suffered, or anticipates they will suffer injury, loss or damage by reason of the construction, extension, alteration or operation of any drainage works must submit a written request to the corporation for assistance in resolving the complaint. (1) What was the average response time of the Watershed Authority for written requests for assistance in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 198:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Before filing a formal complaint with the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority an applicant who claims to have suffered, or anticipates they will suffer injury, loss or damage by reason of the construction, extension, alteration or operation of any drainage works must submit a written request to the corporation for assistance in resolving the complaint.

(1) How many of the recommendations or decisions made by the Watershed Authority as a result of a request for assistance recommended mediation in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 199:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many of the complaints went to mediation or arbitration in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 200:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) What percentage of the recommendations or decisions resulting from a request for assistance did the Watershed Authority send to the complainant in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 201:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: The complainant may also file a formal complaint with the Watershed Authority with respect to the construction, extension, alteration or operation of any drainage works by reason of which the complainant claims to have suffered or anticipates that he or she will suffer injury, loss or damage. A fee of \$200 is charged for filing the complaint. (1) What was the fee price in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 202:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) What was the number of complaints received by Watershed Authority regarding the cost of the fee in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 203:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many staff are employed by the Watershed Authority to work on the processing and resolving of the complaints in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 204:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: How long, on average, did it take for Watershed Authority to serve notice that a formal complaint was received?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 205:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What is the average length of time the Watershed Authority takes to investigate a formal complaint?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 206:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many decisions did the Watershed Authority render within the 18 month time period as a result of formal complains in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 207:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How times did the Watershed Authority grant extensions in order to render a decision regarding a formal complaint in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 208:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many orders did the Watershed Authority make pursuant to s.82 of *The Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Act*, 2005 with respect to decisions resulting from formal complaints in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 209:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times did the Watershed Authority grant extensions to which an order had to be complied with in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 210:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times did the Watershed Authority file an interest on the land for which drainage works complained of are located based on orders issued in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 211:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times did people fail to comply with the orders issued by the Watershed Authority in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 212:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times did the Watershed Authority enter onto a person's land that failed to comply with the order and take appropriate actions to fulfill the order in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 213:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times did the Watershed Authority file a certificate with the courts to recover costs associated with carrying out orders in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 214:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many written requests has the Watershed Authority received from people served with the certificate of cost of upholding an order against them requesting a reconsideration of the total costs in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 215:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times has the Watershed Authority withdrawn the certificate in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 216:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times has the Watershed Authority varied the costs on the certificate in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 217:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times has the Watershed Authority confirmed the costs on the certificate in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 218:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times has a person with respect to whom a certificate has been entered as a judgement appealed the amount of the costs to the Court of Queen's Bench in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 219:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many orders did the Court of Queen's Bench issue as a result of hearing an appeal? (2) How many times has the Watershed Authority withdrawn the certificate in 2005? (3) 2006? (4) 2007? (5) 2008? (6) 2009? (7) 2010? (8) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 220:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times did the Watershed Authority act as a mediator for complaints in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 221:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: (1) How many times has the Watershed Authority been refused entry onto land or into buildings to inspect water drainage complaints in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 222:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Any person who contravenes any provision of s.90(1) of *The Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Act*, 2005 is liable for a fine. (1) How many fines has the Watershed Authority issued in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 223:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: What was the total amount of the fines issued by the Watershed Authority in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 224:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Watershed Authority: Section 93(1) of *The Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Act, 2005* allows for the Watershed Authority or persons representing the authority to enter onto land and take down, remove or open up any illegal dams or works. (1) How many times did the Watershed Authority or a representative enter onto land for this purpose in 2005? (2) 2006? (3) 2007? (4) 2008? (5) 2009? (6) 2010? (7) 2011?

## The following Questions were given notice on day no. 16 and are to be answered by day no. 21:

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 225:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many individuals were receiving SAP in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 226:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many children in families were receiving SAP in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 227:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many SAP cases were open in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 228:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many TEA cases were open December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 229:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many SAID cases were open in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 230:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many new SAP cases were opened in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 231:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many new TEA cases were opened in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 232:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many new SAID cases were opened in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 233:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many SAP cases involved families with children were open in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 234:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many SAP cases involved people living with disabilities were open in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 235:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many SAP cases involved people who were employable were open in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 236:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many single individuals received the Seniors Income Plan in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 237:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many single individuals were cut off from the Seniors Income Plan in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 238:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many single individuals had their Seniors Income Plan benefits reduced in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 239:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many new single individuals received the Seniors Income Plan in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 240:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many couples received the Seniors Income Plan December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 241:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many new couples received the Seniors Income Plan in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 242:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many couples were cut off from the Seniors Income Plan in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 243:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many couples had their Seniors Income Plan benefits reduced in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 244:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many people in total were receiving SIP in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 245:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many families qualified for the Saskatchewan Employment Supplement in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 246:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many families qualified for the Saskatchewan Family Health Benefits in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 247:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many families received the Rental Housing Supplement in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 248:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many people with disabilities received the Rental Housing Supplement in December 2011? (2) January 2012? (3) February 2012?