

No. 39

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION - TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, May 2, 2012

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: Belanger, Wotherspoon, and Broten.

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 make education a top priority.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 40)

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)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to upgrade the section of highway 165 between Beauval and the English River First Nation.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 107)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES SOCIÉTÉS D'ÉTAT ET DES ORGANISMES CENTRAUX

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:

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier, sont lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 6 – The Miscellaneous Business Statutes Amendment Act, 2011

Bill No. 7 – The Co-operatives Amendment Act, 2011 Projet de loi nº 7 – Loi de 2011 modifiant la Loi de 1996 sur les coopératives

Bill No. 8 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2011

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

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. 34 – The Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation Act

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates and Supplementary Estimates for Executive Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2013, the sum of \$16,443,000 for Executive Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2012, the sum of \$173,000 for Executive Council.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 6(6).

The Assembly adjourned at 6:01 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Dan D'Autremont Speaker

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 37 and are to be answered by day no. 42:

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 380:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many Saskatchewan Housing corporation affordable rental housing units were chronically vacant on March 1, 2012? (2) Which housing authorities had chronically vacant affordable rental housing units as of March 1, 2012? (3) How many chronically vacant affordable rental housing units did the Housing Authority have as of March 1, 2012?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 381:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many Saskatchewan Housing corporation seniors rental housing units were chronically vacant on March 1, 2012? (2) Which housing authorities had chronically vacant seniors rental housing units as of March 1, 2012? (3) How many chronically vacant seniors rental housing units did the Housing Authority have as of March 1, 2012?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 382:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many Saskatchewan Housing corporation social rental housing units were chronically vacant on March 1, 2012? (2) Which housing authorities had chronically vacant social rental housing units as of March 1, 2012? (3) How many chronically vacant social rental housing units did the Housing Authority have as of March 1, 2012?

Mr. Forbes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 383:

To the Minister of Education: How many teacher pensions exist in the Saskatchewan Teachers Superannuation fund that cannot be claimed because the teacher has not taught 20 days?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 384:

To the Minister of Social Services: In what year was the last increase to the childcare subsidy turning point – the point at which the childcare subsidy begins to diminish?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 38 and are to be answered by day no. 43:

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 385:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What is the highest rent per square foot the government has paid/will pay for commercial office space in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008? (4) 2009? (5) 2010? (6) 2011? (7) 2012?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 386:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What is the lowest rent per square foot the government has paid/will pay for commercial office space in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008? (4) 2009? (5) 2010? (6) 2011? (7) 2012?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 387:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What is the average rent per square foot the government has paid/will pay for commercial office space in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008? (4) 2009? (5) 2010? (6) 2011? (7) 2012?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 388:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What is the longest term of lease the government has signed in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008? (4) 2009? (5) 2010? (6) 2011? (7) 2012?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 389:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What is the shortest term of lease the government has signed in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008? (4) 2009? (5) 2010? (6) 2011? (7) 2012?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 390:

To the Minister of Government Services: (1) What is the average term of lease the government has signed in 2006? (2) 2007? (3) 2008? (4) 2009? (5) 2010? (6) 2011? (7) 2012?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 391:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: (1) As a government agency, are the staff and consultants of the Human Rights commission required to follow any guidelines for travel and accommodation? (2) If yes, which guidelines does it follow?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 392:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: (1) How much did the government spend on travel and accommodation on the following individuals: David Arnot, Rebecca McLellan, Sue Lake, and Brenda Rorke in 2008? (2) 2009? (3) 2010 (4) 2011? (5) 2012?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the Government the following Question No. 393:

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General: The following individuals travelled for HRC: David Arnot, Rebecca McLellan, Sue Lake, and Brenda Rorke. (1) At which hotels did each of them stay when on travel in 2008? (2) 2009? (3) 2010 (4) 2011? (5) 2012?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 39 and are to be answered by day no. 44:

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 394:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) As per the Canada Revenue Agency children's special allowances calculation sheet, is the federal government remitting the maximum basic amount of the Child Tax Benefit plus the national child benefit supplement amount for one dependent to the province for eligible children who are living with persons of sufficient interest? (2) What is the current amount the federal government is remitting to the province per eligible child for this combined benefit?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 395:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) As per the Canada Revenue Agency children's special allowances calculation sheet, is the federal government remitting the full child disability benefit to the province for eligible children who are living with persons of sufficient interest? (2) What is the current amount the federal government is remitting to the province per eligible child for this benefit?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 396:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) As per the Canada Revenue Agency children's special allowances calculation sheet, is the federal government remitting the full special allowance supplement to the province for eligible children – those under six – who are living with persons of sufficient interest? (2) What is the current amount the federal government is remitting to the province per eligible child for this benefit?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the Government the following Question No. 397:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) Will those the minister has committed to grandfathering in to the former benefits under the children's special allowances be receiving back pay for lost benefits? (2) If so, by what date can those impacted by these changes expect to receive their back pay? (3) How long will these grandfathered rates continue?