

No. 23

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, December 3, 2014

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the Report of the Provincial Auditor 2014 (Volume 2), in accordance with the provisions of section 14.1 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*.

(Sessional Paper No. 54)

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Forbes, Wotherspoon, Vermette, Belanger, Chartier, McCall, Nilson, Sproule, Ross, and Michelson.

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 reverse its policy of allowing private developers to default on fixed-price contracts for affordable housing projects.

(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 take action to repair the damage caused by heavy haul traffic on Dewdney Avenue in the city of Regina.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 7)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to guarantee that a second bridge that serves central and northern Saskatchewan and Prince Albert will be built.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 8)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to enact legislation requiring parental consent for abortion.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to recognize health care deficiencies and focus its resources on maintaining hospitals, care facilities, and front-line care.

(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 take responsibility for its failure to act on readily available information about safety concerns with its smart meter program.

(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 increase staffing levels to match the level of needs of residents in long-term care facilities.

(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 cancel privatization in the corrections and young offender facilities.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 41)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

The following bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting: Les projets de loi suivants sont reçus, lus une première fois, et la deuxième lecture en est fixée à la prochaine séance:

Bill No. 174 – The Registered Teachers Act

(Hon. Mr. Morgan)

Bill No. 175 – The Registered Teachers Consequential Amendments Act, 2014 Projet de loi nº 175 – Loi de 2014 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Registered Teachers Act

(Hon. Mr. / L'hon. M. Morgan)

SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 171 – The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2014

The Hon. Mr. Wyant, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 171 – The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2014 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 172 – The Naturopathic Medicine Act

The Hon. Mr. Duncan, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 172 – The Naturopathic Medicine Act – be now read a second time.

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

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 170 – The Fire Safety Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Reiter: That Bill No. 170 - The Fire Safety Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 145 – The Fee Waiver Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 145 – The Fee Waiver Act – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 6(7).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 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. 20 and are to be answered by day no. 25:

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 585:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: Why was the location of the no. 1 bypass at Tower road the best location to serve the community for 50 years as stated by the ministry of Highways?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 586:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What plans and studies were conducted on the Highway 1 bypass since 1994, including the Stantec studies, environmental studies that were done including engineering completed for Tower road interchange at Highway 1, Arcola Avenue, and Pilot Butte diverging diamond interchange bypass?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 587:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: Is the complete Regina Highway 1 bypass functional study available to the public?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 588:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) Did the study for the bypass in 2012/13 look at all options for the no. 1 bypass including Pilot Butte road, Gravel Pit road, and Tower road? (2) Are these studies publicly available?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 589:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) Considering the bypass is intended to best serve the community for 50 years, did the study look at routes from Balgonie going south and/or Highway 46? (2) What would be the functionality, long-term benefits, and cost differences of these choices compared to the route announced?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 590:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: What was the cost of the studies on the Highway 1 southeast bypass paid to the consultants?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 591:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) What percent of the vehicle traffic coming into Regina does the ministry anticipate will use the bypass? (2) What percent of the truck traffic coming into Regina does the ministry anticipate will use the bypass?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 592:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) How many people are losing their homes and businesses to the Regina Highway 1 bypass at Tower road? (2) How many people would lose their homes and businesses if the bypass was at Gravel Pit road?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 593:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: Why was the proposed location of Highway 1 bypass moved from Tower road to 400 meters east of Tower road?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 594:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: Why is the diverging diamond interchange proposed the best interchange to build at Pilot Butte road?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 595:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) Has the diverging diamond interchange ever been built in Canada? (2) What studies were completed? (3) What was the rationale to support the diverging diamond interchange at Pilot Butte?

Mr. Belanger, to ask the government the following Question No. 596:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) What is the timeline to build the bypass between Highway 48 to Tower road? (2) Between Tower road to Arcola Avenue? (3) Arcola Avenue to Pinkie road?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 597:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: (1) How much of the \$4 million provided to the Water Security Agency by Environment Canada for the protection of Lenore Lake has been spent to date? (2) What specific improvements, protections, products, or services have been paid for? (3) How much for each individual item?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 598:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: If the full \$4 million provided to the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency from Environment Canada in 2013 for the protection of Lake Lenore has not been spent, what is the planned usage, including amounts, for the remaining funds?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 599:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Prior to the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocking the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, what was the total number of flooded acres in the RM of Humboldt No. 370?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 600:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Prior to the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocking the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, as it relates to filed claims through the prairie disaster assistance program (PDAP), what are the names, including amounts, of those receiving PDAP monies in the RM of Humboldt No. 370?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 601:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Since the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocked the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, what is the total number of flooded acres in the RM of Humboldt No. 370?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 602:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Since the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocked the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, as it relates to filed claims through the PDAP, what are the names including amounts, of those receiving PDAP monies in the RM of Humboldt No. 370?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 603:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Prior to the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocking the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, what was the total number of flooded acres in the RM of Lake Lenore No. 399?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 604:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Prior to the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocking the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, as it relates to filed claims through the PDAP, what are the names, including amounts, of those receiving PDAP monies in the RM of Lake Lenore No. 399?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 605:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Since the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocked the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, what is the total number of flooded acres in the RM of Lake Lenore No. 399?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 606:

To the Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency: Since the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority blocked the water flow through grid 777 at the outlet from Houghton Lake on May 11, 2010, as it relates to filed claims through the PDAP, what are the names including amounts, of those receiving PDAP monies in the RM of Lake Lenore No. 399?