



No. 13

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

**FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

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**Wednesday, June 8, 2016**

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: Chartier, Sproule, and Forbes.

## **READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS**

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

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to make changes so that work related PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) is covered under workers compensation and these workers receive the same benefits as others with work-related injuries.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 39)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to restore funding for heritage language education in Saskatchewan heritage language schools.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 40)

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI**

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Les projets de loi suivants sont présentés, lus une première fois, et la deuxième lecture en est fixée à la prochaine séance:

Bill No. 26 – The Patient Choice Medical Imaging Act

(Hon. Mr. Duncan)

Bill No. 27 – The Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2016

Projet de loi n° 27 – Loi modificative de 2016 sur les services de l'état civil

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

**STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the membership for the Standing Committee on Human Services shall be expanded to eight members with the addition of the Member for Saskatoon Riversdale (Ms. Chartier) for the duration of the inquiry concerning the rate of organ donation in Saskatchewan as ordered by the Assembly on May 19, 2016.

**WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 65 to 72, and 74, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 73 and 75, pursuant to Rule 21(6), the questions were converted and Orders for Returns were issued:

Ms. Rancourt, for Return No. 1 showing:

To the Minister of Health: For each health region, the total number of employees for each profession, and for each bargaining unit (i.e. SUN, CUPE, SEIU West, HSAS, etc.).

Ms. Rancourt, for Return No. 2 showing:

To the Minister of Health: The number of health region employees that have been trained in the gentle persuasion technique to date.

**BUDGET DEBATE**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Doherty, seconded by Ms. Beaudry-Mellor:

That the Assembly approves in general the budgetary policy of the government,  
and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Ms. Sproule, seconded by Mr. Belanger:

That all the words after “That the Assembly” be deleted and the following be added:

disagrees with the government for tabling a budget months late, failing to be transparent to Saskatchewan people, and for failing to deliver opportunities to create jobs, diversify the economy, and support kids in the classroom.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 6(7).

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The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

*Hon. Corey Tochor*  
*Speaker*

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Ms. Sproule asked the government the following Question No. 65, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyd:**

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: For each fiscal year, what were SaskPower's expenditures associated with the retrofit of the Queen Elizabeth power station?

Answer:

SaskPower's expenditures associated with the retrofit of the Queen Elizabeth power station for each fiscal year are as follows:

2012	\$26 million
2013	\$81 million
2014	\$227 million
2015/16	\$172.5 million
Total	\$506.5 million

**Ms. Sproule asked the government the following Question No. 66, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyd:**

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What was the total cost for the retrofit of the Queen Elizabeth power station?

Answer:

The total cost to date for the retrofit of the Queen Elizabeth power station is \$506.5 million.

**Ms. Rancourt asked the government the following Question No. 67, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Duncan:**

To the Minister of Health: (1) For each health region, how many cesarean sections were completed in 2013/14? (2) 2014/15? (3) 2015/16?

Answer

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Caesarean sections			
Region of service	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Sun Country	54	65	65
Five Hills	160	159	141
Cypress	126	114	121
Regina Qu'Appelle	1008	938	937
Sunrise	177	170	169
Saskatoon	1281	1324	1420
Heartland	11	4	2
Kelsey Trail	38	35	34
PA Parkland	250	234	229
Prairie North	404	413	486
<b>Total</b>	<b>3509</b>	<b>3456</b>	<b>3604</b>

**Ms. Rancourt asked the government the following Question No. 68, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Duncan:**

To the Minister of Health: (1) For each health region, how many elective surgeries were completed in 2013/14? (2) 2014/15? (3) 2015/16?

Answer:

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Elective surgeries including caesarean sections			
Region of service	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Sun Country	776	899	739
Five Hills	3101	2527	2338
Cypress	1897	1700	1743
Regina Qu'Appelle	20 524	20 650	19 258
Sunrise	2363	2475	2355
Saskatoon	31 706	33 519	31 813
Heartland	144	133	119
Kelsey Trail	1388	1409	1494
PA Parkland	3995	4282	4090
Prairie North	5848	5951	5711
<b>Total</b>	<b>71 742</b>	<b>73 545</b>	<b>69 660</b>

**Ms. Rancourt asked the government the following Question No. 69, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Duncan:**

To the Minister of Health: (1) For each health region, how many emergency surgeries were completed in 2013/14? (2) 2014/15? (3) 2015/16?

Answer:

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Emergency surgeries including caesarean sections			
Region of service	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Sun Country	27	31	48
Five Hills	582	671	680
Cypress	320	338	315
Regina Qu'Appelle	6120	5947	6096
Sunrise	522	512	510
Saskatoon	6888	6676	6773
Heartland	0	4	1
Kelsey Trail	39	64	58
PA Parkland	1345	1409	1560
Prairie North	1157	1068	1057
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 000</b>	<b>16 720</b>	<b>17 098</b>

**Ms. Rancourt asked the government the following Question No. 70, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Duncan:**

To the Minister of Health: (1) For each health region, how many surgeries, excluding cesarean sections, were completed in 2013/14? (2) 2014/15? (3) 2015/16?

Answer:

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Total surgeries excluding caesarean sections			
Region of service	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Sun Country	749	865	722
Five Hills	3523	3039	2877
Cypress	2091	1924	1937
Regina Qu'Appelle	25 636	25 659	24 417
Sunrise	2708	2817	2696
Saskatoon	37 313	38 871	37 166

Heartland	133	133	118
Kelsey Trail	1389	1438	1518
PA Parkland	5090	5457	5421
Prairie North	6601	6606	6282
<b>Total</b>	<b>85 233</b>	<b>86 809</b>	<b>83 154</b>

**Ms. Rancourt asked the government the following Question No. 71, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Morgan:**

To the Minister of Education: For each school division, what is the most recent estimate of infrastructure funding needs?

Answer:

On June 1, 2016, it was announced that school divisions will receive \$33.385 million in the 2016-17 provincial budget to manage infrastructure needs within the school divisions. This is an increase of 24% showing the government's commitment to provide infrastructure funding. School divisions are autonomous institutions required to maintain their own infrastructure. The Ministry of Education cannot comment on the completeness or accuracy of school division estimates regarding their infrastructure needs.

**Ms. Rancourt asked the government the following Question No. 72, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Duncan:**

To the Minister of Health: (1) What is the total number of participants in the Connecting to Care program for 2014/15 (2) 2015/16?

Answer:

- (1) The total number of participants in the Connecting to Care program for 2014/15 was 13.
- (2) The total number of patients participating in the Connecting to Care program in 2015/16 was 99.

**Ms. Rancourt asked the government the following Question No. 74, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:**

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many Aboriginal kids were in care in 2013/14? (2) 2014/15? (3) 2015/16?

Answer:

- (1) As of March 31, 2014, there were 3,015 children in out-of-home care who had a self-reported constitutional status of Inuit, Métis, non-status Indian, or status Indian.
- (2) As of March 31, 2015, there were 3,046 children in out-of-home care who had a self-reported constitutional status of Inuit, Métis, non-status Indian, or status Indian.
- (3) As of March 31, 2016, there were 3,268 children in out-of-home care who had a self-reported constitutional status of Inuit, Métis, non-status Indian, or status Indian.

## **NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS**

On Monday:

Hon. Mr. Wyant to move First Reading of Bill No. 30 – The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2016

Hon. Mr. Wyant to move First Reading of Bill No. 31 – The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2016

## **NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

**The following question was given notice on day no. 10 and is to be answered by day no. 15:**

Mr. Vermette, to ask the government the following Question No. 76:

To the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure: (1) Does the government have any plans for improvements other than the regular maintenance to Highway 115? (2) Highway 102? (3) Highway 135? (4) Highway 123? (5) Highway 106? (6) Highway 911? (7) What are the planned improvements for each highway? (8) When will the improvements for each highway be completed?