



No. 43

# VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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Wednesday, November 16, 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: Carr, Chartier, Sproule, Forbes, Beck, McCall, Sarauer, and Vermette.

## 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 protect wetlands by increasing funding to do proper inventory work, putting Saskatchewan in a better position to manage the resource, speed up the evaluation of high risk watersheds where there is a significant damage annually from flooding, and create a sound and transparent mitigation process.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 47)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to take the necessary steps and actions to stop the federal government from imposing a carbon tax on the province.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 225)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to stop the plan to sell SaskTel and keep our Crown corporations of the people of Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 227)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to immediately restore the agreement to fund the Northern Teacher Education Program Council Inc. and continue to fund NORTEP/NORPAC programs in La Ronge.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 228)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to immediately repeal *The Wakamow Valley Authority Amendment Act, 2016* and reinstate statutory funding to the Wakamow Valley Authority.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 229)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to reverse its short-sighted and counterproductive cuts to the Aboriginal court worker program.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 231)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to immediately reverse their cuts to funding to the Lighthouse Stabilization unit in Saskatoon, revisit the definition of “homelessness”, and take immediate steps to ensure homeless people in Saskatchewan have emergency shelter, clothing, and food.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 233)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to exempt all licensed, non-profit childcare centres from property tax through the changes to the appropriate legislations, and include them in *The Saskatchewan Education Act*.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 234)

#### **MOTION MOVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

Leave of the Assembly having been granted, pursuant to Rule 61, it was moved by Mr. Forbes:

That this Assembly supports Wanuskewin Heritage Park’s efforts to seek United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization world heritage site status.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

#### **WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 177 to 183, they were answered. (see Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for question nos. 184 and 185, pursuant to Rule 21(6), the questions were converted and Orders for Returns were issued:

Ms. Sproule, for return no. 56 showing:

To the Minister of Agriculture: In 2014-15, the revenue generated from the rental of the Crown land that was sold by the Ministry of Agriculture in the fiscal year 2015-16.

Ms. Sproule, for return no. 57 showing:

To the Minister of Agriculture: The revenue generated in the 2014-15 fiscal year from the rental of the Crown land that was sold by the Ministry of Agriculture in the fiscal year 2015-16 under the incentive program announced November 4, 2015.

**ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS**

**Bill No. 34 – The Provincial Lands Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Stewart: That Bill No. 34 – The Provincial Lands Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 34 – The Provincial Lands Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

**Bill No. 26 – The Patient Choice Medical Imaging Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Duncan: That Bill No. 26 – The Patient Choice Medical Imaging Act be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 26 – The Patient Choice Medical Imaging Act was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

**Bill No. 28 – The Extension of Compassionate Care Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 28 – The Extension of Compassionate Care Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 28 – The Extension of Compassionate Care Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

**Bill No. 1 – The Crown Corporations Public Ownership Amendment Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris: That Bill No. 1 – The Crown Corporations Public Ownership Amendment Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 1 – The Crown Corporations Public Ownership Amendment Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

### **Bill No. 32 – The Automobile Accident Insurance (Benefits) Amendment Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris: That Bill No. 32 – The Automobile Accident Insurance (Benefits) Amendment Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 32 – The Automobile Accident Insurance (Benefits) Amendment Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

### **Bill No. 33 – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 33 – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 33 – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

### **Bill No. 35 – The Small Claims Act, 2016**

#### **Projet de loi n° 35 – Loi de 2016 sur les petites créances**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 35 – The Small Claims Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Wyant: Que le projet de loi n° 35 – Loi de 2016 sur les petites créances soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, le dit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 35 – The Small Claims Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Merriman, conformément au règlement 85, le projet de loi n° 35 – Loi de 2016 sur les petites créances est renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires intergouvernementales et de la justice.

### **Bill No. 36 – The Small Claims Consequential Amendments Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 36 – The Small Claims Consequential Amendments Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 36 – The Small Claims Consequential Amendments Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

### **Bill No. 12 – The Public Health (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Duncan: That Bill No. 12 – The Public Health (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 12 – The Public Health (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

### **Bill No. 15 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 15 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 15 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

### **Bill No. 16 – The Adoption Amendment Act, 2016 Projet de loi n° 16 – Loi modificative de 2016 sur l'adoption**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 16 – The Adoption Amendment Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. Mme Harpauer: Que le projet de loi n° 16 – Loi modificative de 2016 sur l'adoption soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, le dit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 16 – The Adoption Amendment Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Human Services.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Merriman, conformément au règlement 85, le projet de loi no 16 – Loi modificative de 2016 sur l'adoption est renvoyé au Comité permanent des services à la personne.

**Bill No. 17 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2016**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Boyd: That Bill No. 17 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2016 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was, accordingly, read a second time.

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Merriman, in accordance with Rule 85, Bill No. 17 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2016 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Merriman:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 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. 177, which was answered by the Hon.**

**Mr. Stewart:**

To the Minister of Agriculture: In 2015-16, how many transactions were completed selling Crown land through the Ministry of Agriculture's incentive program that was announced November 4, 2015?

Answer:

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**Ms. Sproule, asked the government the following question no. 178, which was answered by the Hon.**

**Mr. Stewart:**

To the Minister of Agriculture: In 2015-16, how many acres of Crown land did the Ministry of Agriculture sell?

Answer:

The Ministry of Agriculture sold a total of 63,902 acres of Crown land in 2015-16. This number is not the number (64,464) reported to the Standing Committee on the Economy on June 21, 2016. The reported number was incorrectly calculated.

**Ms. Sproule, asked the government the following question no. 179, which was answered by the Hon.**

**Mr. Stewart:**

To the Minister of Agriculture: How many acres of Crown land were sold between November 4, 2015 and March 31, 2016?

Answer:

32,635.71 acres.

**Ms. Sproule, asked the government the following question no. 180, which was answered by the Hon.**

**Mr. Stewart:**

To the Minister of Agriculture: In 2015-16, what percentage of Crown land sales were associated with the incentive program announced on November 4, 2015?

Answer:

23.12%

**Ms. Sproule, asked the government the following question no. 181, which was answered by the Hon.**

**Mr. Stewart:**

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total revenue generated in fiscal year 2015-16 through the sale of Crown land under the incentive program announced November 4, 2015?

Answer:

\$8,420,411.41

**Ms. Sproule, asked the government the following question no. 182, which was answered by the Hon.**

**Mr. Stewart:**

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total foregone revenue due to the discount applied to the Crown land sold in the 2015-16 fiscal year under the incentive program announced November 4, 2015?

Answer:

None, under public sector accounting guidelines the full value of the land sales was recognized as revenue in 2015-16. A transfer expense of \$1,225,881 was recognized as 15% incentive in 2015-16 under the incentive program announced in November 4, 2015.

**Ms. Sproule, asked the government the following question no. 183, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Stewart:**

To the Minister of Agriculture: What was the total revenue generated from Crown land sales by the Ministry of Agriculture in the 2015-16 fiscal year?

Answer:

\$29,199,350.49

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following questions were given notice on day no. 40 and are to be answered by day no. 45:**

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 188:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many community treatment orders (CTOs) have there been since *The Mental Health Services Act* changed on October 31, 2015 in the Saskatoon Health Region? (2) The Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 189:

To the Minister of Health: (1) For each health region, how many CTOs were there in 2015? (2) 2014? (3) 2013? (4) 2012? (5) 2011? (6) 2010? (7) 2009?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 190:

To the Minister of Health: Since *The Mental Health Services Act* has changed in 2015, have the regional health authorities received additional funding to ensure individuals on a CTO are receiving the mandated service?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 191:

To the Minister of Health: (1) In October 2016, how many community mental health nurses work in the Saskatoon Health Region? (2) The Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 192:

To the Minister of Health: (1) In October 2015, how many community mental health nurses worked in the Saskatoon Health Region? (2) The Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 193:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many children under 18 were living in long-term care facilities across the province in September 2016? (2) March 2016? (3) as of September 30, 2015? (4) as of March 31, 2015?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 194:

To the Minister of Health: (1) For the Saskatoon Health Region, how many CTOs were there in 2015? (2) 2014? (3) 2013? (4) 2012? (5) 2011? (6) 2010? (7) 2009?



**The following questions were given notice on day no. 41 and are to be answered by day no. 46:**

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 195:

To the Minister of Health: (1) For each health region, how many anesthesiologists provide services for children? (2) Children under six?

Ms. Chartier, to ask the government the following question no. 196:

To the Minister of Health: (1) During what days and times was a mental health worker not available to provide services to callers on the HealthLine in September? (2) October? (3) November (to date)?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 197:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What was the average wait time for the client service call centre in April? (2) May? (3) June? (4) July? (5) August? (6) September? (7) October?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 198:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What was the maximum, or 90th percentile, wait time for the call centre in April? (2) May? (3) June? (4) July? (5) August? (6) September? (7) October?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 199:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by SaskPower in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 200:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by SaskPower in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 201:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by SaskEnergy in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 202:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by SaskEnergy in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 203:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by SaskTel in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 204:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Telecommunications: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by SaskTel in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 205:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by SGI in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 206:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by SGI in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 207:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by SaskWater in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 208:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by SaskWater in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 209:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by SaskGaming in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 210:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by SaskGaming in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 211:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by STC in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 212:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Transportation Company: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by STC in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 213:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: How many offers to purchase equity stakes were received by SOCO in 2016?

Mr. McCall, to ask the government the following question no. 214:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: When were offers to purchase equity stakes received by SOCO in 2016?

**The following questions were given notice on day no. 42 and are to be answered by day no. 47:**

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 215:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many full-time mental health workers were employed by HealthLine in 2014? (2) 2015? (3) 2016?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 216:

To the Premier: (1) Who did the Premier meet with (both organizations and individuals) in Texas on November 14, 2016? (2) November 15, 2016?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 217:

To the Premier: (1) What events did the Premier attend while in Texas on November 14, 2016? (2) November 15, 2016?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 218:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: For each executive member of SaskPower, where have they travelled on SaskPower business in November 2016?

**The following questions were given notice on day no. 43 and are to be answered by day no. 48:**

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 219:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What were the daily counts for the Regina Provincial Correctional Centre for Monday, November 14, 2016? (2) Tuesday, November 15, 2016? (3) Wednesday, November 16, 2016?

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 220:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What were the daily counts for the Saskatoon Provincial Correctional Centre for Monday, November 14, 2016? (2) Tuesday, November 15, 2016? (3) Wednesday, November 16, 2016?

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 221:

To the Minister of Justice: How many days in November 2016 (to date), and by how many inmates, was the Regina Provincial Correctional Centre overcapacity?

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 222:

To the Minister of Justice: How many days in November 2016 (to date), and by how many inmates, was the Saskatoon Provincial Correctional Centre overcapacity?

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 223:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the total cost of infrastructure damages that occurred at the Regina Provincial Correctional Centre in October 2016? (2) November 2016?

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 224:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was the total cost of infrastructure damages that occurred at the Saskatoon Provincial Correctional Centre in October 2016? (2) November 2016?

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 225:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was staff to inmate ratio at the Regina Provincial Correctional Centre for Monday, November 14, 2016? (2) Tuesday, November 15, 2016? (3) Wednesday, November 16, 2016?

Ms. Sarauer, to ask the government the following question no. 226:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What was staff to inmate ratio at the Saskatoon Provincial Correctional Centre for Monday, November 14, 2016? (2) Tuesday, November 15, 2016? (3) Wednesday, November 16, 2016?