



No. 49

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Monday, November 28, 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, Belanger, 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 restore funding for heritage language education in Saskatchewan heritage language schools.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 40)

Residents of the province of Saskatchewan request that the Legislative Assembly cause the government to take immediate concrete action to develop and implement Erin's Law which would ensure a comprehensive health education program on sexual abuse.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 220)

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 immediately plan and commence the construction of a second bridge for Prince Albert.
(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 226)

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)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 43 – The Pipelines Amendment Act, 2016
(Hon. Mr. Duncan)

Bill No. 602 – The Election (Fairness and Accountability) Amendment Act
(Mr. Wotherspoon)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Mr. D’Autremont, Chair of the Standing Committee on Human Services, presented the Second Report of the Committee:

Standing Committee on Human Services: Second Report, dated November 28, 2016
(Sessional Paper No. 255)

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Human Services be now concurred in.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE
RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES AFFAIRES INTERGOUVERNEMENTALES ET DE LA JUSTICE

The following bill was reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was read the third time and passed:

Le projet de loi suivant est rapporté sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier sur les projets de loi, est lu une troisième fois et adopté:

Bill No. 29 – The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2016
Projet de loi n° 29 – Loi modificative de 2016 sur les juges de paix

The following bill was reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was read the third time and passed, on Division:

Le projet de loi suivant est rapporté sans amendement et avec la permission de l'Assemblée de passer outre au renvoi au Comité plénier sur les projets de loi, est lu une troisième fois et adopté, à la division:

Bill No. 4 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2016
Projet de loi n° 4 – Loi modificative de 2016 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

The following bills were reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills 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 sur les projets de loi, sont lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 5 – The Electronic Information and Documents Amendment Act, 2016

Bill No. 6 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2016

Bill No. 7 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2016 (No. 2)
Projet de loi n° 7 – Loi n° 2 de 2016 modifiant le droit législatif

Bill No. 9 – The Enforcement of Canadian Judgments Amendment Act, 2016
Projet de loi n° 9 – Loi modificative de 2016 sur l'exécution des jugements canadiens

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for question nos. 229 to 234, they were answered. (see Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for question nos. 227 and 228, pursuant to Rule 21(6), the questions were converted and Orders for Returns were issued:

Ms. Sproule, for return no. 70 showing:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: The amount was spent on hosting carbon capture symposiums (CCS) each year since 2010.

Ms. Sproule, for return no. 71 showing:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: The amount of revenue generated through SaskPower's CCS consortium for each level of membership for each year since 2011.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Merriman:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:51 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Corey Tochor
Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Forbes, asked the government the following question no. 229, which was answered by the Hon.

Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Health: In 2015, how many of the following surgeries were paid for by the Ministry of Health: (1) Penectomy? (2) Breast augmentation? (3) Labiaplasty? (4) Clitoroplasty? (5) Vaginectomy? (6) Metiodioplasty? (7) Phalloplasty? (8) Scrotoplasty? (9) Vaginoplasty? (10) Erectile and testicular implants? (11) Clitoral release? (12) Chest reconstruction/masculinization/contouring? (13) Facial feminization? (14) Tracheal shaving? (15) Laser hair removal?

Answer:

For all surgeries listed, there were less than 5 surgeries paid for by the Ministry of Health in the 2014-15 fiscal year. The Ministry of Health and the Medical Services Branch are bound by HIPA to protect the identification of individuals and their personal health information; due to the low volume of Saskatchewan beneficiaries receiving these services, the data cannot be released because the low number may contribute to the patients' identification. Additional procedures may have been completed, but not cited under that diagnosis code. Data could be limited due to diagnosis not being known, or another diagnosis indicated at the time of surgery.

Mr. Forbes, asked the government the following question no. 230, which was answered by the Hon.

Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Health: In 2014, how many of the following surgeries were paid for by the Ministry of Health: (1) Penectomy? (2) Breast augmentation? (3) Labiaplasty? (4) Clitoroplasty? (5) Vaginectomy? (6) Metiodioplasty? (7) Phalloplasty? (8) Scrotoplasty? (9) Vaginoplasty? (10) Erectile and testicular implants? (11) Clitoral release? (12) Chest reconstruction/masculinization/contouring? (13) Facial feminization? (14) Tracheal shaving? (15) Laser hair removal?

Answer:

For all surgeries listed, there were less than 5 surgeries paid for by the Ministry of Health in the 2013-14 fiscal year. The Ministry of Health and the Medical Services Branch are bound by HIPA to protect the identification of individuals and their personal health information; due to the low volume of Saskatchewan beneficiaries receiving these services, the data cannot be released because the low number may contribute to the patients' identification. Additional procedures may have been completed, but not cited under that diagnosis code. Data could be limited due to diagnosis not being known, or another diagnosis indicated at the time of surgery.

Mr. Forbes, asked the government the following question no. 231, which was answered by the Hon.

Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Health: In 2013, how many of the following surgeries were paid for by the Ministry of Health: (1) Penectomy? (2) Breast augmentation? (3) Labiaplasty? (4) Clitoroplasty? (5) Vaginectomy? (6) Metiodioplasty? (7) Phalloplasty? (8) Scrotoplasty? (9) Vaginoplasty? (10) Erectile and testicular implants? (11) Clitoral release? (12) Chest reconstruction/masculinization/contouring? (13) Facial feminization? (14) Tracheal shaving? (15) Laser hair removal?

Answer:

For all surgeries listed, there were less than 5 surgeries paid for by the Ministry of Health in the 2013-14 fiscal year. The Ministry of Health and the Medical Services Branch are bound by HIPA to protect the identification of individuals and their personal health information; due to the low volume of Saskatchewan beneficiaries receiving these services, the data cannot be released because the low number may contribute to the patients' identification. Additional procedures may have been completed, but not cited under that diagnosis code. Data could be limited due to diagnosis not being known, or another diagnosis indicated at the time of surgery.

Mr. Forbes, asked the government the following question no. 232, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Health: In 2012, how many of the following surgeries were paid for by the Ministry of Health: (1) Penectomy? (2) Breast augmentation? (3) Labiaplasty? (4) Clitoroplasty? (5) Vaginectomy? (6) Metiodioplasty? (7) Phalloplasty? (8) Scrotoplasty? (9) Vaginoplasty? (10) Erectile and testicular implants? (11) Clitoral release? (12) Chest reconstruction/masculinization/contouring? (13) Facial feminization? (14) Tracheal shaving? (15) Laser hair removal?

Answer:

For all surgeries listed, there were less than 5 surgeries paid for by the Ministry of Health in the 2011-12 fiscal year. The Ministry of Health and the Medical Services Branch are bound by HIPA to protect the identification of individuals and their personal health information; due to the low volume of Saskatchewan beneficiaries receiving these services, the data cannot be released because the low number may contribute to the patients' identification. Additional procedures may have been completed, but not cited under that diagnosis code. Data could be limited due to diagnosis not being known, or another diagnosis indicated at the time of surgery

Mr. Forbes, asked the government the following question no. 233, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Health: In 2011, how many of the following surgeries were paid for by the Ministry of Health: (1) Penectomy? (2) Breast augmentation? (3) Labiaplasty? (4) Clitoroplasty? (5) Vaginectomy? (6) Metiodioplasty? (7) Phalloplasty? (8) Scrotoplasty? (9) Vaginoplasty? (10) Erectile and testicular implants? (11) Clitoral release? (12) Chest reconstruction/masculinization/contouring? (13) Facial feminization? (14) Tracheal shaving? (15) Laser hair removal?

Answer:

For all surgeries listed, there were less than 5 surgeries paid for by the Ministry of Health in the 2010-11 fiscal year. The Ministry of Health and the Medical Services Branch are bound by HIPA to protect the identification of individuals and their personal health information; due to the low volume of Saskatchewan beneficiaries receiving these services, the data cannot be released because the low number may contribute to the patients' identification. Additional procedures may have been completed, but not cited under that diagnosis code. Data could be limited due to diagnosis not being known, or another diagnosis indicated at the time of surgery

Mr. Forbes, asked the government the following question no. 234, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Reiter:

To the Minister of Health: In 2010, how many of the following surgeries were paid for by the Ministry of Health: (1) Penectomy? (2) Breast augmentation? (3) Labiaplasty? (4) Clitoroplasty? (5) Vaginectomy? (6) Metiodioplasty? (7) Phalloplasty? (8) Scrotoplasty? (9) Vaginoplasty? (10) Erectile and testicular implants? (11) Clitoral release? (12) Chest reconstruction/masculinization/contouring? (13) Facial feminization? (14) Tracheal shaving? (15) Laser hair removal?

Answer:

We do not have historical information from the 2009-10 fiscal year.

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

On Wednesday:

Hon. Mr. Moe, to move the following motion:

That this Assembly support the Premier's position that Saskatchewan not sign any federal-provincial agreement on climate change unless the federal government withdraws its plan to impose a national carbon tax.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 46 and are to be answered by day no. 51:

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following question no. 235:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How many times, and when, has the amine solution, used at the carbon capture and storage (CCS) facility at Boundary dam, been replaced?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following question no. 236:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What was the total cost of the equipment installed on July 2016 to filter the amine solution at the CCS facility at Boundary dam?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following question no. 237:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: For each month since July 2016, what was the degradation of the amine solution at the CCS facility at Boundary dam?

Ms. Beck, to ask the government the following question no. 238:

To the Minister of Education: For each school division, what is the operating deficit for the 2016-17 school year?

Ms. Beck, to ask the government the following question no. 239:

To the Minister of Education: For each school division, how much money was used from reserves to pay for operating costs in the 2016-17 school year?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 240:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many vacancies, and for what positions, were there for the child and family services unit at the Prince Albert service centre as of March 2016? (2) July 2016? (3) September 2016? (4) November 2016 (to date)?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 241:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) How many social workers have been seconded from across the province to work at child and family services at the Prince Albert service centre in September 2016? (2) October 2016? (3) November 2016 (to date)?

Ms. Rancourt, to ask the government the following question no. 242:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What are the total travel, accommodation, and per diem costs for social workers providing services through child and family services at the Prince Albert service centre in September 2016? (2) October 2016? (3) November 2016 (to date)?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following question no. 243:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) How much money has the corporation spent on amine in each year since the Boundary dam 3 (BD3) unit was retrofitted with carbon capture and storage technology? (2) How much money has the corporation spent on cleaning amine in each year since the BD3 unit was retrofitted with carbon capture and storage technology?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 47 and are to be answered by day no. 52:

Ms. Beck, to ask the government the following question no. 244:

To the Minister of Education: (1) With respect to licensed childcare centres in Saskatchewan, as of 2016, how many were in operation? (2) Operate on a “for-profit” basis? (3) Own the premises in which they operate versus renting/leasing it? (4) Operate within schools?

Ms. Beck, to ask the government the following question no. 245:

To the Minister of Education: (1) For each municipality, how much property tax was collected from licensed childcare centres in 2015? (2) 2016 (to date)?

Ms. Beck, to ask the government the following question no. 246:

To the Minister of Education: What data was collected as the result of requests sent to all municipal administrators and city managers for property tax information with respect to child care services in their respective municipalities (as referenced in an email on September 22, 2016 sent to Saskatchewan licensed childcare centres)?