

No. 65

# **VOTES and PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

## FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## Tuesday, March 28, 2017

1:30 p.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### SPEAKER TABLES LETTER OF ELECTION OF A MEMBER

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the following return of the writ:

Of Ryan Meili as a member for the constituency of Saskatoon Meewasin.

(Sessional paper no. 330)

## PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Vermette, Lambert, Belanger, Sproule, Forbes, Rancourt, Beck, and Sarauer.

# READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to order and pursuant to rule 16(7), petitions from residents of the province of Saskatchewan, requesting the following action, were read and received:

To stop the plan to sell off the Saskatchewan Transportation Company.

(Sessional paper no. 329)

To stop the federal government from imposing a carbon tax on the province.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 225)

To exempt all licensed, non-profit childcare centres from property tax.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 234)

To increase funding to Prince Albert mobile crisis.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 314)

To eliminate the wage gap between women and men.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 315)

To stop the passage of Bill No. 40 – The Interpretation Amendment Act, 2016.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 318)

To ensure job security for victims of domestic violence.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 320)

#### 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. 53 – The Provincial Health Authority Act

(Hon. Mr. Reiter)

Bill No. 54 – The Provincial Health Authority Consequential Amendment Act, 2017 Projet de loi no 54 – Loi de 2017 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Provincial Health Authority Act

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

Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Economy – Audit Assessments) Amendment Act, 2017 (Hon. Mr. Duncan)

Bill No. 56 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2017

(Hon. Mr. Duncan)

#### BUDGET DEBATE

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Bonk:

That the Assembly approves in general the budgetary policy of the government,

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Ms. Sproule, seconded by Mr. Forbes:

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

disagrees with the government for tabling a budget of broken promises, callous cuts, and tax hikes that makes Saskatchewan families pay for the Sask. Party's mismanagement, scandal, and waste.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The debate being resumed 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 10:30 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Corey Tochor Speaker

# NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following question was given notice on day no. 63 and is to be answered by day no. 68:

# Question no. 284 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Premier: (1) What was the total cost for writing, filming, editing, distributing, and promoting the video posted to the Premier's Facebook page on March 30, 2017 with the caption "An important message to all Saskatchewan residents on the upcoming provincial budget that will be presented this Wednesday? (2) What firms were contracted to provide each of those services?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 64 and are to be answered by day no. 69:

# Question no. 285 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Premier: (1) What were the total costs associated with advertising, promoting, and distributing the 2017-18 provincial budget? (2) What firms were contracted for each of these services?

# Question no. 286 (Mr. Vermette):

To the Minister of Crown Investments: What were the total costs resulting from cancellation of bus routes on March 22, 2017 (including but not limited to ticket reimbursements, taxi fare, accommodation, etc.)?

## Question no. 287 (Ms. Sproule):

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What were the total costs associated with advertising, promoting, and distributing the 2017-18 provincial budget? (2) What firms were contracted for each of these services?