

FIRST SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 31

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

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: Mowat and Bowes.

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 introduce pay equity legislation.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 98)

To provide core funding to the Lighthouse Serving the Battlefords and emergency homelessness shelters across Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 102)

To protect the boreal forest and reject the proposed Lambert Peat Moss development.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 125)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

Ms. Young (Lloydminster), Chair of the Standing Committee on the Economy, presented the committee's first report, which is as follows:

The committee considered the estimates for the following ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

2021–2022 Estimates

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2022 the following sums:

Executive Branch of Government

For Agriculture	\$384,625,000
For Energy and Resources	\$285,726,000
For Environment	\$112,335,000
For Highways	\$829,806,000
For Immigration and Career Training	\$200,243,000
For Innovation Saskatchewan	\$28,727,000
For Saskatchewan Research Council	\$35,809,000
For Trade and Export Development	\$206,914,000
For Water Security Agency	\$67,503,000

The committee considered the supplementary estimates no. 2 for the following ministries and agencies and adopted the following resolutions:

2020-2021 Supplementary Estimates No. 2

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021 the following sums:

Executive Branch of Government

For Agriculture	\$4,371,000
For Highways	\$96,600,000
For Innovation Saskatchewan	\$12,000,000

The committee recommends that upon concurrence of its report by the Assembly, the sums as reported and approved shall be included in the appropriation bill for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

(Sessional paper no. 139)

On motion of Ms. Young (Lloydminster):

Ordered, That the first report of the Standing Committee on the Economy be now concurred in.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND 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:

Bill No. 21 — The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Amendment Act, 2020

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 34 — The Fuel Tax Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 34 — The Fuel Tax Amendment Act, 2021 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. Harrison (Meadow Lake), in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 34 — The Fuel Tax Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake):

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:20 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes Speaker

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Friday:

Ms. Bowes to move first reading of Bill No. 603 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Sick Days) Amendment Act, 2021

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 30 and are to be answered by day no. 35:

Question no. 19 (Mr. Meili):

To the Government, for each COVID-19 support program introduced by the provincial government: (a) how many applications were received, (b) how many applications were approved, (c) how many applications were rejected, (d) how many applicants requested reconsideration, and (e) how many applications that requested reconsideration were ultimately approved?

Question no. 20 (Mr. Meili):

To the Government, how many seniors living in long term care died of COVID-19: (a) before being admitted to a hospital, (b) while in a hospital, and (c) after being discharged from a hospital?

The following question was given notice on day no. 31 and is to be answered by day no. 36:

Question no. 21 (Ms. Nippi-Albright):

To the Minister for Environment, (a) how many full-time permanent Conservation Officers are working for the Government as of May 1, 2021, (b) how many full-time permanent Conservation Officers were working for the Government as of May 1, 2016, (c) how many seasonal Conservation Officers were working for the Government in the year prior to May 1, 2021, (d) how many seasonal Conservation Officers were working for the Government in the year prior to May 1, 2016, (e) how many Conservation Officer FTEs are allocated to each of the seven compliance areas, and (f) what does the Ministry do to ensure Conservation Officers understand the rights of First Nations and Metis people to hunt and fish in Saskatchewan?