

FIRST SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 35

Tuesday, May 11, 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: Wotherspoon, Sarauer, Cockrill, Mowat, Bowes, and Nippi-Albright.

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 call on the federal government to stop or amend Bill C-10.

(Sessional paper no. 144)

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)

To cancel the \$150 tax on electric vehicles and invest in charging stations.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 141)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 604 — The Public Health (Enhanced Enforcement) Amendment Act, 2021

(Ms. Sarauer)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

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. 3 — The Massage Therapy Act

The following bills were reported with amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, they were considered as amended and read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 19 — The Human Resources Profession Act

Bill No. 20 — The Publicly-funded Health Entity Public Interest Disclosure Act

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question nos. 19 and 20, pursuant to rule 21(6), the questions were converted and orders for return were issued. (see appendix)

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

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:25 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes Speaker

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

The following written questions were converted and orders for return were issued:

Return no. 10 (Mr. Meili):

To the Government, for each COVID-19 support program introduced by the provincial government:

- (a) the number of applications that were received, (b) the number of applications that were approved,
- (c) the number of applications that were rejected, (d) the number of applicants that requested reconsideration, and (e) the number of applications that requested reconsideration that were ultimately approved.

Return no. 11 (Mr. Meili):

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

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 33 and are to be answered by day no. 38:

Question no. 22 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister of Social Services, how many households in Saskatchewan are currently receiving: (a) a partial child care subsidy of \$600.00 or more per month, (b) a partial child care subsidy of \$500.00 or more per month, (c) a partial child care subsidy of \$400.00 or more per month, (d) a partial child care subsidy of \$300.00 or more per month, (e) a partial child care subsidy of \$200.00 or more per month, (f) a partial child care subsidy of \$100.00 or more per month, and (g) the maximum child care subsidy, broken down regionally as available?

Question no. 23 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister for Social Services, for each of the SAP, SIS, SAID, and TEA income assistance programs: (a) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, (b) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2019-2020 fiscal year, (c) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, (d) how many individual beneficiaries' files were closed in the 2017-2018 fiscal year, (e) what was the total sum paid to beneficiaries in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, (f) what was the total sum paid to beneficiaries in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, (h) what was the total sum paid to beneficiaries in the 2017-2018 fiscal year, (i) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, (k) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, and (l) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2018-2018 fiscal year, and (l) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2017-2018 fiscal year, and (l) what was the total budgeted amount to be paid to beneficiaries in the 2017-2018 fiscal year?

Question no. 24 (Ms. Bowes):

To the Government, what specific actions has the government taken to address the 231 steps outlined in the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls final report?

Question no. 25 (Ms. Bowes):

To the Minister for Innovation Saskatchewan, how many projects were unsuccessful in applying for funding through the Innovation and Science Fund in each of the last three fiscal years, and how much funding was denied for each unsuccessful application?

Question no. 26 (Ms. Bowes):

To the Minister for Innovation Saskatchewan, how many projects were successful in applying for funding through the Innovation and Science Fund in each of the last three fiscal years, and how much funding was awarded for each successful project?

Question no. 27 (Ms. Bowes):

To the Government, how much funding is allocated for the Canadian Light Source in the 2021-22 budget?

Question no. 28 (Ms. Bowes):

To the Minister for Innovation Saskatchewan, regarding the eventual closure of the Canadian Light Source and its eventual need for its replacement: (a) how many meetings has the government had with the federal government to ensure the replacement for the Canadian Light Source is built in Saskatchewan, (b) what is Innovation Saskatchewan doing to support the University of Saskatchewan's efforts to ensure the replacement for the Canadian Light Source is built in Saskatchewan, and (c) when is the decision regarding the location for the Canadian Light Source's replacement expected to be made?

Question no. 29 (Ms. Bowes):

To the Government, since the closure of the Saskatchewan Transportation Company, what actions have been taken to ensure women fleeing domestic violence have a safe way to do so and do not have to resort to unsafe methods, such as hitchhiking?

Question no. 30 (Ms. Bowes):

To the Government, what is the position of the government on including mandatory education around consent in elementary and secondary school curricula?

Question no. 31 (Mr. Meili):

To the Minister of SaskBuilds and Procurement, (a) what is budgeted in 2021-2022 for contracts with IBM Canada, by Ministry, and (b) what projects and services were provided for the \$29,000,000 paid to IBM Canada in 2019-2020, as per Public Accounts, Vol 2?