



SECOND SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

## **Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan**

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# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 6

**Thursday, November 4, 2021**

10:00 a.m.

### *PRAYERS*

#### **STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER Ruling on a Point of Order (Unparliamentary Language)**

On Wednesday, November 3, 2021 the Minister of Highways (Mr. Bradshaw) raised a point of order about comments made by the Member from Saskatoon Nutana (Ms. Ritchie) during the debate on the Address-in-Reply to the Speech from the Throne. The Minister of Highways claimed that the Member from Saskatoon Nutana accused the Premier of “misrepresenting the truth.” The Opposition House Leader asked me to review the record before making a ruling. I have done this, and I am now prepared to rule on the matter.

The debate in question can be found on page 1050 of Hansard where the Member from Saskatoon Nutana first stated:

. . . the Premier chose to protect the interests of a few to the detriment of the many. What’s not fair is that he chose to make incoherent arguments and misrepresent the truth.

A few paragraphs later she said:

More and more we hear people publicly questioning whether they can stay in a province led by a leader who so stubbornly refuses to listen to experts, admit when he's been wrong, and instead misrepresents the truth and gaslights anyone who speaks out, let alone say he's sorry.

Members are well aware that accusing one another of being purposely untruthful is unparliamentary. There is no need for members to resort to undermining the integrity of other members in order to effectively debate their position. I would ask the Member from Saskatoon Nutana to withdraw her remarks and apologize, and I remind all members that when asked to withdraw a remark it is done unequivocally without comment.

Thereupon, the Member from Saskatoon Nutana withdrew her remarks and apologized.

### **PRESENTING PETITIONS**

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Wotherspoon, Sarauer, Bowes, and Ritchie.

### **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 a post-secondary midwifery training program in Saskatchewan.  
(Sessional paper no. 23)

To protect Saskatchewan's water supply.  
(Sessional paper no. 24)

To restore direct rent payment for income support clients.  
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 19)

To protect contract workers from harassment, abuse, and exploitation.  
(Addendum to sessional paper no. 20)

### **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 reçus, lus une première fois, et la deuxième lecture en est fixée à la prochaine séance:

Bill No. 40 — The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2021  
(Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake))

Bill No. 41 — The Legislation Amendment Act, 2021  
Projet de loi n° 41 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur la législation  
(Hon. Mr. / L'hon. M. Harrison (Meadow Lake))

Bill No. 42 — The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2)

(Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake))

**APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER**

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake), by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That pursuant to subsection 4(3) of *The Election Act, 1996*, Mr. Michael Boda be appointed the Chief Electoral Officer effective November 18, 2021.

**MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Ross (Prince Albert Northcote), seconded by Mr. Skoropad:

That an Humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE RUSS MIRASTY  
Lieutenant Governor of the province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the province of Saskatchewan, in session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session,

and the proposed amendment moved by Mr. Love, seconded by Ms. Sarauer:

That the motion be amended by adding:

And, That the Assembly does not support the agenda outlined in the Speech from the Throne because it neither recognizes the COVID-19 crisis in our province, nor proposes measures to address it, which is a direct result of the Sask. Party government's choices that put politics ahead of Saskatchewan people, and,

That the Assembly has lost confidence in the government.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to rule 6(7).

The Assembly adjourned at 1:00 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

***Hon. Randy Weekes***  
***Speaker***

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**RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED**

The following returns which were ordered by the Assembly on May 11, 2021 were laid upon the Table:

Return nos. 10-11 asked by Mr. Meili

(Sessional paper nos. 25–26)

## NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Tuesday:

Hon. Mr. Merriman to move first reading of Bill No. 45 — The Health Shared Services Saskatchewan (3sHealth) Act

Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake) to move first reading of Bill No. 46 — The Legal Aid Amendment Act, 2021

Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake) to move first reading of Bill No. 47 — The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2021

## NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

**The following questions were given notice on day no. 2 and are to be answered by day no. 7:**

**Question no. 1 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, since July 11, 2021, (a) how many pediatric therapeutic personnel have been redeployed for pandemic-related purposes from Wascana Rehabilitation Centre, (b) how many pediatric therapeutic personnel have been redeployed for pandemic-related purposes from Kinsmen Children's Centre, and (c) how many pediatric therapeutic personnel, other than those at Wascana Rehabilitation Centre and Kinsmen Children's Centre, have been redeployed for pandemic-related purposes?

**Question no. 2 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, since July 11, 2021, by type, how many cancer treatments and procedures have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations?

**Question no. 3 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, since July 11, 2021, (a) how many total surgical procedures have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (b) how many elective surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (c) how many cardiac surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (d) how many general surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (e) how many neurosurgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (f) how many obstetrics and gynecological surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (g) how many ophthalmological surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (h) how many maxillofacial and dental surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (i) how many orthopedic surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (j) how many cardiac surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (k) how many otolaryngological surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (l) how many plastic surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, (m) how many vascular surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations, and (n) how many pediatric surgeries have been cancelled or postponed to date due to surge capacity limitations?

**Question no. 4 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, for each year since 2006, how many intensive care beds were in each facility providing intensive care?

**Question no. 5 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, since July 11, 2021, (a) how many organ transplants have been cancelled or otherwise not proceeded due to pandemic-related surge capacity limitations, and (b) how many registered organ donors have died since the suspension of the organ donation program?

**The following question was given notice on day no. 6 and is to be answered by day no. 11:**

**Question no. 6 (Ms. Sarauer):**

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, for each month since August 2020 to present, (a) how many total eviction notices were registered with the Office of the Residential Tenancies, (b) how many total eviction notices for non-payment of rent or utilities were registered with the Office of the Residential Tenancies, (c) how many total eviction notices for cause were registered with the Office of the Residential Tenancies, and (d) how many total eviction notices for landlord to occupy rental unit were registered with the Office of the Residential Tenancies?