

SECOND SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 19

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

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

Yesterday, November 29, 2021, the Government House Leader rose on a point of order. He said that during question period, the Opposition House Leader insinuated that the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety was untruthful. I have reviewed the Hansard and am prepared to make my ruling.

The Opposition House Leader's statement can be found on page 1382 of Hansard. In responding to an answer by the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety, the Opposition House Leader stated:

"The minister needs a new binder. That's completely untrue, Mr. Speaker."

The words in question, when read in context, refer to information contained in the minister's binder and do not accuse the minister of being intentionally untruthful to this Assembly.

In fact, during question period the Government House Leader himself made comments in exactly the same vein as the ones he objected to. On page 1381 of Hansard, the Government House Leader referred to comments made by the Member for Regina Rosemont as "misinformation," and he said they were "Once again, completely wrong."

While it is never in order to accuse other members of deliberately misleading the Assembly, disputes over facts are to be expected and are allowable in the course of debate. I therefore find the point of order not well taken. However, I'd like all members to be mindful of the language they use, as it has contributed to the deterioration of decorum in this Assembly.

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Mowat, Young (Regina University), Bowes, Conway, 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 stop the closing of the emergency department in Wilkie.

To introduce pay equity legislation.

To restore direct rent payment for income support clients.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 19)

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 18)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 56)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES RAPPORT DU COMITÉ PERMANENT DES SERVICES À LA PERSONNE

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. 66 — The Education (Safe Access to Schools) Amendment Act, 2021 Projet de loi nº 66 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur l'éducation (accès sûr aux écoles)

Bill No. 60 — The Saskatchewan Employment Amendment Act, 2021

(Sessional paper no. 62)

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having

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2:32 p.m.

Son Honneur le Lieutenant-gouverneur fait son

entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.	entrée dans la Chambre et prend place au Trône.
The Speaker addressed His Honour:	Le Président s'adresse à Son Honneur:
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:	QU'IL PLAISE À VOTRE HONNEUR:
This Legislative Assembly at its present session has passed several bills which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which bills I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.	Cette Assemblée législative, au cours de la présente session, a adopté des projets de loi que je présente à Votre Honneur, au nom de l'Assemblée, et que je demande respectueusement à Votre Honneur de sanctionner.
The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the bills that had been passed severally as follows:	Le Greffier de l'Assemblée a donné lecture des titres du projets de loi adoptés comme suit:
Bill No. 66 — The Education (Safe Access to Schools) Amendment Act, 2021 Projet de loi nº 66 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur l'éducation (accès sûr aux écoles)	
Bill No. 60 — The Saskatchewan Employment Amendment Act, 2021	
His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I assent to these bills."	Son Honneur le Lieutenant-gouverneur alors a répondu: "Au nom de Sa Majestée, je sanctionne ces projets de loi."
His Honour then retired from the Chamber.	Son Honneur se retire de la Chambre.

2:34 p.m.

TABLING OF SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

The Hon. Ms. Harpauer delivered a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor which was read by the Speaker as follows:

November 30, 2021

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Supplementary Estimates No. 1 of certain sums required for the service of the province for the twelve months ending March 31, 2022 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

HONOURABLE RUSSELL B. MIRASTY Lieutenant Governor

(Sessional paper no. 63)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question no. 11, it was answered. (see appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

Bill No. 38 — The Seizure of Criminal Property Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 38 — The Seizure of Criminal Property 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. 38 — The Seizure of Criminal Property Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 39 — The Queen's Printer's Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 39 — The Queen's Printer's 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. 39 — The Queen's Printer's Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 40 — The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 40 — The Trespass to Property 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. 40 — The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 41 — The Legislation Amendment Act, 2021 Projet de loi nº 41 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur la legislation

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 41 — The Legislation Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Wyant: Que le projet de loi n° 41 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur la législation soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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 Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake), in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 41 — The Legislation Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Harrison, conformément au règlement 85, le projet de loi n° 41 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur la legislation est renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires intergouvernementales et de la justice.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 42 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2) 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. 42 — The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2) was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 43 — The Royal Saskatchewan Museum Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Ross (Regina Rochdale): That Bill No. 43 — The Royal Saskatchewan Museum 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. 43 — The Royal Saskatchewan Museum Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Bill No. 44 — The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 44 — The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Mowat adjourned.

Bill No. 45 — The Health Shared Services Saskatchewan (3sHealth) Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Merriman: That Bill No. 45 — The Health Shared Services Saskatchewan (3sHealth) Act be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Ritchie adjourned.

Bill No. 46 — The Legal Aid Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 46 — The Legal Aid Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Conway adjourned.

Bill No. 47 — The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Bradshaw: That Bill No. 47 — The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Conway adjourned.

Bill No. 49 — The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 49 — The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Nippi-Albright adjourned.

Bill No. 50 — The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 50 — The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Wotherspoon adjourned.

Bill No. 51 — The Privacy (Intimate Images – Additional Remedies) Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 51 — The Privacy (Intimate Images – Additional Remedies) Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Ritchie adjourned.

Bill No. 52 — The Automobile Accident Insurance Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Morgan: That Bill No. 52 — The Automobile Accident Insurance Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Beck adjourned.

Bill No. 53 — The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 53 — The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Wotherspoon adjourned.

Bill No. 54 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Remote Witnessing) Amendment Act, 2021 Projet de loi nº 54 — Loi modificative diverse (attestation instrumentaire à distance) de 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 54 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Remote Witnessing) Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Ritchie adjourned.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Wyant: Que le projet de loi n° 54 — Loi modificative diverse (attestation instrumentaire à distance) de 2021 soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Ritchie, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 55 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Remote Witnessing) Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 55 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Remote Witnessing) Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2) be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Ritchie adjourned.

Bill No. 56 — The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2021 Projet de loi nº 56 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 56 — The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.	L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Wyant: Que le projet de loi n° 56 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.
The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms.	Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme
Conway adjourned.	Conway, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 57 — The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 57 — The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Vermette adjourned.

Bill No. 58 — The Securities Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 58 — The Securities Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Beck adjourned.

Bill No. 59 — The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2021 Projet de loi nº 59 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur les juges de paix

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Wyant: Que le projet de loi n°

59 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur les juges de

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M.

paix soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

No. 59 — The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Wotherspoon adjourned.

Wotherspoon, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 61 — The Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Makowsky: That Bill No. 61 — The Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Beck adjourned.

Bill No. 62 — The Dental Disciplines Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hindley: That Bill No. 62 — The Dental Disciplines Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Conway adjourned.

Bill No. 63 — The Reviewable Transactions Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 63 — The Reviewable Transactions Act be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Mowat adjourned.

Bill No. 64 — The Reviewable Transactions Consequential Amendments Act, 2021 Projet de loi nº 64 — Loi de 2021 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Reviewable Transactions Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the
proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill
No. 64 — The Reviewable Transactions
Consequential Amendments Act, 2021 be now read
a second time.L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la
motion de l'hon. M. Wyant: Que le projet de loi n°
64 — Loi de 2021 corrélative de la loi intitulée The
Reviewable Transactions Act soit maintenant lu
une deuxième fois.The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms.
Mowat adjourned.Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Mowat,
il est ajourné.

Bill No. 65 — The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 65 — The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Love adjourned.

Bill No. 67 — The Emergency Planning Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 67 — The Emergency Planning Amendment Act, 2021 (No. 2) be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Wotherspoon adjourned.

On motion of Mr. Ottenbreit:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following response to a written question was tabled by the government:

Question no. 11 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Government Insurance, proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 test for customers requiring road tests became effective October 25, 2021; for each month since October 25, 2021 to present, (a) how many first time customers were able to take a road test with full vaccination status, (b) how many first time customers showed a recent negative COVID-19 test result before a road test, and (c) how many customers were unable to provide proof of either?

Answer:

- (a) Between October 25, 2021 and November 23, 2021, all road tests administered were with an existing SGI customer.
- (b) Between October 25, 2021 and November 23, 2021, all road tests administered were with an existing SGI customer.
- (c) 146

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Francis to move the following motion:

That the Assembly commends the Government of Saskatchewan for responding quickly and substantially increasing support to agriculture producers in response to severe and widespread drought this spring and summer.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Opposition)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 606 — The Saskatchewan Employment (Paid Sick Days) Amendment Act, 2021

(Ms. Mowat) *Adjourned once*

No. 2 (Government)

Not submitted — item of business determined pursuant to rule 24(4).

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following question was given notice on day no. 16 and is to be answered by day no. 21:

Question no. 12 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister for Immigration and Career Training, since March 2020, (a) how many jobseekers have utilized career development professional services at SaskJobs for the purpose of job searching and job matching, (b) how many jobseekers that have utilized career development professional services at SaskJobs for the purpose of job searching and job matching have continued on to full-time employment in their desired field, (c) how many jobseekers have utilized career development professional services at SaskJobs for the purpose of career planning, (d) how many jobseekers that have utilized career development professional services at SaskJobs for the purpose of career planning, (d) how many jobseekers that have utilized career development professional services at SaskJobs for the purpose of career planning have continued on to full-time employment in their desired field, (e) how many jobseekers have utilized career development professional services at SaskJobs for the purpose of acquiring additional skills or education, (f) how many jobseekers that have utilized career development professional services at SaskJobs for the purpose of acquiring additional skills or education have continued onto the employment in their desired field, (g) how many jobseekers that have utilized any career development professional services at SaskJobs have failed to gain employment in their desired field, and (h) how many jobseekers have utilized each of the ten Service Delivery Locations at SaskJobs for any in-person career development services?

The following question was given notice on day no. 17 and is to be answered by day no. 22:

Question no. 13 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety, for each month since January 2021 to present, (a) how many reported incidents of threat to persons in the Saskatchewan Legislative Building were documented, and (b) how many security staff were consulted within the Saskatchewan Legislative Building regarding documented threats?

The following question was given notice on day no. 18 and is to be answered by day no. 23:

Question no. 14 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of SaskTel, for each month since January 2018 to present, internet services play in the modern world, and support SaskTel's continued participation in the Connecting Families program to ensure low-income seniors and families across Saskatchewan have the opportunity to connect and participate in the digital world, (a) how many eligible customers participated in the program during the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, and (b) how many computers were distributed to eligible families in Saskatchewan with respect to this program?

The following question was given notice on day no. 19 and is to be answered by day no. 24:

Question no. 15 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Finance, the 2021-22 supplementary estimates are prepared in accordance with subsection 12(1) of *The Financial Administration Act 1993*; for each month since January 2021 to present, (a) how many additional commitments have been undertaken during the fiscal year, and (b) how many estimates include any expenses required to be paid out of the GRF that are not required to be voted on by the legislature?