



SECOND SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

## **Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan**

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# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 20

**Wednesday, December 1, 2021**

1:30 p.m.

### **ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER**

The Clerk advised the Assembly that the Speaker would not be present to open the sitting. The Deputy Speaker took the chair.

### *PRAYERS*

### **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), Conway, Nippi-Albright, 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 pay equity legislation.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 18)

To restore direct rent payment for income support clients.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 19)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 22)

To fund In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) treatments in Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 52)

To stop the closing of the emergency department in Wilkie.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 62)

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The minister, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following bill was introduced, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 73 — The Animal Production Act

(Hon. Mr. Marit)

### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

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

The committee considered the supplementary estimates no. 1 for the following ministries and adopted the following resolutions:

#### 2021-22 Supplementary Estimates No. 1

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

#### Ministries and Agencies

For Agriculture ..... \$152,813,000

For Trade and Export Development..... \$9,500,000

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. 64)

On motion of Ms. Young (Lloydminster):

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

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

Mr. Cheveldayoff, Chair of the Standing Committee on Human Services, presented the committee's second report, which is as follows:

The committee considered the supplementary estimates no. 1 for Health and adopted the following resolution:

**2021-22 Supplementary Estimates No. 1**

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

**Ministries and Agencies**

For Health ..... \$250,000,000

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. 65)

On motion of Mr. Cheveldayoff:

Ordered, That the second report of the Standing Committee on Human Services be now concurred in.

**ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS****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 Mr. Vermette 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 Mr. Wotherspoon 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 Mr. Vermette 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. Ritchie 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 Ms. Conway 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 Mr. Love 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. Nippi-Albright 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 Ms. Ritchie adjourned.

**Bill No. 54 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Remote Witnessing) Amendment Act, 2021**  
**Projet de loi n° 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.

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.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Beck, 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. Beck adjourned.

**Bill No. 56 — The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2021**  
**Projet de loi n° 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. Nippi-Albright adjourned.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Nippi-Albright, 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 Ms. Conway 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 Mr. Wotherspoon adjourned.

**Bill No. 59 — The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2021**  
**Projet de loi n° 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 No. 59 — The Justices of the Peace 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° 59 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur les juges de paix soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de Mme Ritchie 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 Mr. Love adjourned.

Pursuant to rule 6(7), the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

*Hon. Randy Weekes*  
*Speaker*

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## 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 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?

The following questions were given notice on day no. 20 and are to be answered by day no. 25:

**Question no. 16 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, (a) does the Ministry or Saskatchewan Health Authority track instances of short staffing in health care and long-term care facilities, (b) how often are health care facilities operating short-staffed, (c) how often are long-term care facilities operating short-staffed, (d) how many hours of overtime have been worked by health care workers in health care facilities since July 11, 2021, (e) what is the total compensation for overtime worked by health care workers in health care facilities since July 11, 2021, (f) how many hours of overtime have been worked by health care workers in long-term care facilities since July 11, 2021, and (g) what is the total compensation for overtime worked by health care workers in health care facilities since July 11, 2021?

**Question no. 17 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, (a) by job type, how many vacancies are there in Saskatchewan health care facilities, and (b) by job type, how many job postings are currently available in Saskatchewan health care facilities?

**Question no. 18 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, since July 11, 2021, (a) how many surgeries have been cancelled or postponed, (b) how many surgeries were not scheduled, (c) how many cancer surgeries have been cancelled or postponed, (d) how many cancer surgeries were not scheduled, and (e) how many people have died while waiting for surgery?

**Question no. 19 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, since September 23, 2021, (a) how many opportunities for organ donations have been missed, (b) how many people have died waiting for organ donations, and (c) in days, what is the average increase in transplant wait time for an eligible organ recipient?

**Question no. 20 (Ms. Mowat):**

To the Minister of Health, in regards to wait times, (a) what is the wait time to see a specialist, by speciality, (b) what is being done to address wait times for specialists, (c) what is the wait time for an MRI, and (d) what is being done to address wait times for MRIs?

**Question no. 21 (Ms. Conway):**

To the Minister of Health, (a) how many of the new continuing care aids referenced by the minister in the supplementary estimates meeting on November 30, 2021 were not already employed in the long-term care sector and/or by the Saskatchewan Health Authority, (b) by job type, how many vacancies are in the long-term care sector, and (c) by job type, how many job postings are currently available in the long-term care sector?

**Question no. 22 (Ms. Wilson):**

To the Minister of Health, COVID-19 pandemic detention orders were issued by medical health officers for Saskatchewan people to be detained at secure isolation sites; for each month since January 2021 to present, (a) how many citizens were issued detention orders, and (b) what was the length of time the citizens were detained at the secure isolation site?