



SECOND SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 31

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

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, Conway, Love, and Mowat.

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 fund In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) treatments in Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 52)

To immediately address the inadequate condition of Highway 9.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 105)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question no. 24, pursuant to rule 21(6), the question was converted and an order for return was issued. (see appendix)

The order of the day being called for question nos. 25 to 27, they were answered. (see appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

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 and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake), in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 56 — The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Harrison (Meadow Lake), conformément au règlement 85, le projet de loi n° 56 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine est renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires intergouvernementales et de la justice.

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 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. 57 — The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

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 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. 58 — The Securities Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

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 and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

By designation of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake), in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 59 — The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2021 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Selon la désignation de l'hon. M. Harrison (Meadow Lake), conformément au règlement 85, le projet de loi n° 59 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur les juges de paix est renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires intergouvernementales et de la justice.

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 Ms. Ritchie 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. Vermette adjourned.

Bill No. 68 — The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Amendment Act, 2021
Projet de loi n° 68 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur l'exécution des ordonnances alimentaires

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 68 — The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders 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° 68 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur l'exécution des ordonnances alimentaires 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. 69 — The Inter-jurisdictional Support Orders Amendment Act, 2021
Projet de loi n° 69 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur les ordonnances alimentaires interterritoriales

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 69 — The Inter-jurisdictional Support Orders 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° 69 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur les ordonnances alimentaires interterritoriales soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Wotherspoon, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 70 — The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act, 2021
Projet de loi n° 70 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur l'Assemblée législative

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 70 — The Legislative Assembly Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. Mme Tell: Que le projet de loi n° 70 — Loi modificative de 2021 sur l'Assemblée législative soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Meili, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 71 — The Insurance Amendment Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 71 — The Insurance Amendment Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 72 — The Life Leases Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 72 — The Life Leases Act be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 73 — The Animal Production Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Marit: That Bill No. 73 — The Animal Production Act be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 75 — The Non-profit Corporations Act, 2021
Projet de loi n° 75 — Loi de 2021 sur les organisations sans but lucratif

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 75 — The Non-profit Corporations 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° 75 — Loi de 2021 sur les organisations sans but lucratif soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Wotherspoon, il est ajourné.

Bill No. 76 — The Non-profit Corporations Consequential Amendments Act, 2021

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wyant: That Bill No. 76 — The Non-profit Corporations Consequential Amendments Act, 2021 be now read a second time.

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

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. Meili 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. Mowat 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. Ritchie adjourned.

Bill No. 64 — The Reviewable Transactions Consequential Amendments Act, 2021
Projet de loi n° 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. Ritchie adjourned.

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

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

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 3:55 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes
Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following responses to written questions were tabled by the government:

Question no. 25 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, (a) will the government adopt the Peckford recommendation to refer all COVID-19 measures and workplace policies to the Court of Appeal by way of the reference procedure to determine if they are contrary to the law and, in particular, our Charter of Rights and Freedoms, and (b) what legal advice, if any, did the government seek prior to implementing the vaccine passport mandate and the mask mandate?

Answer:

(a) The government does not intend to direct a reference to the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal respecting our former COVID-19 public health measures. The government is confident that all former Saskatchewan public health measures were compliant with the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

(b) The government sought legal advice from officials within the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General about the public health protections respecting proof of vaccination (or negative test) and masking prior to implementation. The precise nature of this legal advice is confidential.

Question no. 26 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of SaskBuilds and Procurement, (a) when did Saskatchewan become a member of the Digital Identification and Authentication Council of Canada (DIACC), (b) who made the decision to join DIACC, (c) what consultation processes were used to obtain public input and opinion, and (d) what obligations does the province of Saskatchewan have to DIACC by being a member?

Answer:

(a) Saskatchewan joined DIACC in June 2019 and was a member until June 2021. No decision has been made regarding renewal.

(b) The former Ministry of Central Services (now the Ministry of SaskBuilds and Procurement) made the decision to join DIACC in order to help shape a Pan-Canadian Trust Framework. DIACC's principles emphasize topics like privacy, security, and providing Canadians choice and convenience.

(c) No formal consultation occurred.

(d) Membership in DIACC is non-binding and places no obligations on participating jurisdictions.

Question no. 27 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Health, (a) is it permitted for the COVID-19 vaccines to be administered to the public if the government lifts the current provincial state of emergency, (b) if yes, under what authority, and (c) if no, what date will it become permissible to administer the COVID-19 vaccines without a provincial state of emergency?

Answer:

(a) Ensuring access to immunization is a routine function of public health. Vaccines will continue to be available despite the provincial state of emergency being lifted.

(b) Authority to provide vaccines to the public exists through *The Health Administration Act* (unless superseded by another Act). To provide additional clarity regarding the delivery and administration of COVID-19 vaccines, amendments were made to *The Disease Control Regulations* (February 24, 2021 to March 31, 2021).

As of November 2021, vaccination programming (including COVID-19 vaccination) was moved into *The Public Health Act, 1994* to strengthen provisions set in *The Disease Control Regulations*. The regulation sunsets on March 31, 2022. The authority within *The Health Administration Act* remains.

Timeframe	Authority
Prior to February 24, 2021 to present day	Section 6 of <i>The Health Administration Act</i> .
February 24, 2021 to March 31, 2022	Section 25.2 of <i>The Disease Control Regulations</i> (see OIC 61/2021).
November 5, 2021 to present	Section 37.1 of <i>The Public Health Act, 1994</i> (see OIC 589/2021).

(c) See answers to (a) and (b).

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

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

Return no. 16 (Mr. Vermette):

To the Minister for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority (SLGA), for each of the years 2019, 2020, and 2021, (a) the total revenues from the SLGA liquor store in La Ronge, and (b) the total revenues on video lottery terminals (VLTs) in La Ronge.

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Ottenbreit to move the following motion:

That this Assembly supports Saskatchewan's role in providing global energy security by supporting pipeline projects, including Energy East, Northern Gateway, Keystone XL, and TransMountain, and calling on the Government of Canada to repeal Bills C-48, C-69, and the federal carbon tax.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Opposition)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

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

(Ms. Sarauer)
Adjourned twice

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. 30 and is to be answered by day no. 35:

Question no. 28 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of SaskBuilds and Procurement, re: SPS-RFP-0484 Individual Digital ID Solution and Service Offering, "This Request for Proposal (RFP) is an invitation by the Government of Saskatchewan (GOS) to prospective Proponents to submit proposals for the provision of the solutions and services encompassed in the Saskatchewan Individual Digital Identity Roadmap, as further described in the RFP Particulars (Appendix A). GOS is seeking a long-term partner to design, build, test, implement, roll out, and operate a level of assurance three (LOA3)2 digital identity, in collaboration with the GOS digital partner network;" (a) who are the partners in the GOS Digital Partner Network, (b) what individual information is proposed to be attached to each Individual Digital ID, (c) what is the Saskatchewan Individual Digital Identity Roadmap and where can the public view it, (d) what form of consultation, if any, did the government use to obtain the consent of the Saskatchewan electorate to implement Individual Digital Identification, and (e) has SPS-RFP-0484 tender been awarded to any company?