

THIRD SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

# Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 17

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

### **SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS**

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the following:

Elections Saskatchewan: Report of the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to subsection 7(6) of The Election Act, 1996 regarding actions taken during the constituency of Saskatoon Meewasin by-election, dated November 2022

(Sessional paper no. 53)

### **PRESENTING PETITIONS**

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

### **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 protect the boreal forest and reject the proposed Lambert Pe	eat Moss development. (Sessional paper no. 51)
To reverse the decision to eliminate subsidized housing and restore funding for the 50 units affected a Luther Heights.	
Lution Heights.	(Sessional paper no. 52)
To fix the rural health care staffing crisis.	(Addendum to sessional paper no. 20)
To fund In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) treatments in Saskatchewa	n. (Addendum to sessional paper no. 23)
To implement Saskatchewan First policies and legislation.	(Addendum to sessional paper no. 24)
To ban the practice of conversion therapy.	(Addendum to sessional paper no. 31)

#### **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. 109 — The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2)

(Hon. Ms. Eyre)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question no. 66, it was answered. (see appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS

# Bill No. 108 — The Pension Benefits Amendment Act, 2022

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 108 — The Pension Benefits Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Ms. Sarauer adjourned.

# ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

# Bill No. 102 — The Constitutional Questions Amendment Act, 2022 Projet de loi nº 102 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les questions constitutionnelles

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. Mme Eyre: Que le projet de loi

102 — The Constitutional Questions Amendment Act, 2022 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 Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake), in accordance with rule 85, Bill No. 102 — The Constitutional Questions Amendment Act, 2022 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

 $n^{o}$  102 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les questions constitutionnelles soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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° 102 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les questions constitutionnelles est renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires intergouvernementales et de la justice.

#### Bill No. 88 — The Saskatchewan First Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 88 — The Saskatchewan First Act be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 94 — The Public Pension and Benefits Administration Corporation Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 94 — The Public Pension and Benefits Administration Corporation Act be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 95 — The Surface Rights Acquisition and Compensation Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Reiter: That Bill No. 95 — The Surface Rights Acquisition and Compensation Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 97 — The Architects Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Carr: That Bill No. 97 — The Architects Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 98 — The Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 98 — The Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Young (Regina University) adjourned.

# Bill No. 99 — The Emergency 911 System Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 99 — The Emergency 911 System Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 101 — The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Makowsky: That Bill No. 101 — The Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Ms. Young (Regina University) adjourned.

# Bill No. 103 — The Accessible Saskatchewan Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Makowsky: That Bill No. 103 — The Accessible Saskatchewan Act be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 104 — The Local Improvements Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris: That Bill No. 104 — The Local Improvements Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 105 — The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. McMorris: That Bill No. 105 — The Local Government Election Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 106 — The Police Amendment Act, 2022

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 106 — The Police Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 107 — The Provincial Protective Services Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 107 — The Provincial Protective Services Act be now read a second time.

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

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

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:02 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes Speaker

# **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

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

#### Question no. 66 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Health and the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, Seniors and Rural and Remote Health, in its annual report, the Saskatchewan Health Authority reports that it spent \$386,009.00 on Pacific Fresh Fish, a company that imports exotic fresh fish from around the world and retails at premium prices: (a) in detail, what was purchased from Pacific Fresh Fish in the fiscal year 2021-22, (b) what was the purpose of the purchases from Pacific Fresh Fish, (c) who was (were) the recipient(s) of the Pacific Fresh Fish purchases, (d) in a time when the SHA claimed it was struggling to provide adequate health care to Saskatchewan citizens, what is the justification to spend almost \$400,000 dollars on Pacific Fresh Fish, and (e) will the ministry investigate these expenditures and hold the administration of Saskatchewan Health Authority to account for how it spends taxpayer money? Answer:

- (a) Cod
  - Salmon
  - Perch
  - Roast beef
  - Swiss steak
  - Salisbury steak
  - Ground beef
  - Beef cubes
  - Beef burgers
  - Deli meat
  - Pork chops/loin
  - Whole chickens
  - Chicken breasts
  - Veal cutlets
  - Turkey
  - Ham
- (b) The provision of meals for long-term care residents, patients in hospital, and patrons of retail operations within SHA facilities.
- (c) Residents in long term care facilities, patients in tertiary care facilities, and patrons of SHA retail operations (cafeterias).
- (d) The contract was tendered and awarded through the competitive bidding process to supply meat, fish, and poultry products to the previously mentioned SHA facilities.
- (e) The Ministry recognizes that these expenditures were payments made to a vendor for the provision of food supplies. The Saskatchewan Health Authority has confirmed to the Ministry that the vendor was selected in accordance with the Authority's procurement and competitive bidding policy. As such, the Ministry will not be investigating these expenditures.

# NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS AVIS DE MOTIONS PORTANT PREMIÈRE LECTURE DE PROJETS DE LOI

On Monday / lundi:

Hon. Ms. Eyre to move first reading of Bill No. 110 — The Wills Amendment Act, 2022 L'hon. Mme Eyre proposera la première lecture du projet de loi nº 110 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les testaments Hon. Ms. Eyre to move first reading of Bill No. 111 — The Family Maintenance Amendment Act, 2022 L'hon. Mme Eyre proposera la première lecture du projet de loi nº 111 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les prestations alimentaires familiales

# NOTICE OF A GOVERNMENT MOTION

On Monday:

Hon. Ms. Tell to move the following motion:

That this House condemns and denounces the most recent attack on lawful firearms owners by the Liberal/ NDP coalition federal government through amendments to Bill C-21, which the Chief Firearms Officer of Saskatchewan estimates will instantly criminalize approximately 75,000 Saskatchewan residents; and further,

That this House calls on the Government of Saskatchewan to explore all options to protect the rights of law-abiding firearms owners.

# **NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

#### The following question was given notice on day no. 13 and is to be answered by day no. 18:

#### Question no. 67 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Health and the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, Seniors and Rural and Remote Health, in its annual report, the Saskatchewan Health Authority spent \$627,898.00 on Starbucks Coffee Canada, (a) in detail, what was purchased from Starbucks in the fiscal year 2021-22, (b) what was the purpose of the purchases from Starbucks, (c) who was (were) the recipient(s) of the Starbucks purchases, (d) in a time when the SHA claimed it was struggling to provide adequate health care to Saskatchewan people, what is the justification to spend well over half a million dollars on Starbucks, and (e) will the Ministry investigate these expenditures and hold the administration of Saskatchewan Health Authority to account for how it spends taxpayer money?

#### The following questions were given notice on day no. 16 and are to be answered by day no. 21:

#### Question no. 68 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister for Health, regarding the AIMS initiative, (a) what is the cost for the contract with Deloitte, (b) what subcontractors are/were engaged to execute this project, and at what cost, (c) do contracts with Deloitte or subcontractors include penalties if the project does not meet requirements, and (d) what proprietary characteristics of the AIMS program do Deloitte or others retain, and for what duration?

#### Question no. 69 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister for Health, regarding the AIMS project, (a) what was the initial budget for the project, (b) how much has been spent on executing the project in each fiscal year since it was initiated, (c) what is budgeted to be spent on executing the project in each coming fiscal year that expenses are projected to be incurred, and (d) what additional costs will be incurred from the recent "pause" of the AIMS rollout?