

### THIRD SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

# Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 23

Monday, December 5, 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: Nippi-Albright, Steele, Mowat, Love, and Teed.

### 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 rights of law-abiding firearms owners and denounce the amendments to Bill C-21. (Sessional paper no. 59)

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

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 23)

To ban the practice of conversion therapy.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 31)

To immediately reverse the decision to close the remaining 34 public SLGA liquor stores.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 49)

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

Bill No. 122 — The Saskatchewan Revenue Agency Act

(Hon. Ms. Harpauer)

Bill No. 123 — The Election Amendment Act, 2022

(Hon. Ms. Eyre)

Bill No. 124 — The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Amendment Act, 2022

Projet de loi n° 124 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur la réglementation des boissons alcoolisées et des jeux de hasard

(Hon. Ms. / L'hon. Mme Carr)

### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES

Ms. Sarauer, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services, presented the committee's tenth report, which is as follows:

### 2022–23 Supplementary Estimates No. 1

The committee considered the following supplementary estimates no. 1 for which no amounts were required to be voted:

For Chief Electoral Officer (Statutory)

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. 60)

On motion of Ms. Sarauer:

Ordered, That the tenth report of the Standing Committee on House Services be now concurred in.

Ms. Sarauer, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services, presented the eleventh report of the said committee.

(Sessional paper no. 61)

On motion of Ms. Sarauer:

Ordered, That the eleventh report of the Standing Committee on House Services be now concurred in.

### AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND PROCEDURES

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

Ordered, That the proposed revisions to Rule 12 of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, as presented by this report, be adopted and brought into force effective December 5, 2022; and further,

That upon adoption of this motion, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly shall ensure the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan* as revised are printed and republished in English and French.

### SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

### Bill No. 112 — The King's Printer Act

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 112 — The King's Printer Act be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 113 — The King's Printer Consequential Amendments Act, 2022 Projet de loi nº 113 — Loi de 2022 corrélative de la loi intitulée The King's Printer Act

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 113 — The King's Printer Consequential Amendments Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

L'hon. Mme Eyre propose: Que le projet de loi n° 113 — Loi de 2022 corrélative de la loi intitulée The King's Printer Act soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de Mme Conway, le débat est ajourné.

# Bill No. 114 — The King's Bench Act Projet de loi nº 114 — Loi sur la Cour du Banc du Roi

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 114 — The King's Bench Act be now read a second time.

L'hon. Mme Eyre propose: Que le projet de loi n° 114 — Loi sur la Cour du Banc du Roi soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de Mme Conway, le débat est ajourné.

# Bill No. 115 — The King's Counsel Act

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 115 — The King's Counsel Act be now read a second time.

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

### Bill No. 116 — The Plant Health Act

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Marit: That Bill No. 116 — The Plant Health Act be now read a second time.

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

### Bill No. 117 — The Saskatchewan Firearms Act

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 117 — The Saskatchewan Firearms Act be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 118 — The Warrant Compliance Act

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Tell: That Bill No. 118 — The Warrant Compliance Act be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 120 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Health Professions) Amendment Act, 2022

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Merriman: That Bill No. 120 — The Miscellaneous Statutes (Health Professions) Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

### Bill No. 121 — The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2022

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake): That Bill No. 121 — The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

### ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

# 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 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. 94 — The Public Pension and Benefits Administration Corporation Act was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

### 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 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. 97 — The Architects Amendment Act, 2022 was committed to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

# 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 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. 98 — The Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency Amendment Act, 2022 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

# 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 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. 99 — The Emergency 911 System Amendment Act, 2022 was committed to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

### 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. Mowat 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. Nippi-Albright 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 Mr. Teed 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 Mr. Vermette 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 Mr. Love 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 Mr. Wotherspoon adjourned.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 108 — The Pension Benefits Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

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

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 109 — The Trespass to Property Amendment Act, 2022 (No. 2) be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 110 — The Wills Amendment Act, 2022 Projet de loi nº 110 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les testaments

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill No. 110 — The Wills Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. Mme Eyre: Que le projet de loi n° 110 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les testaments soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

# Bill No. 111 — The Family Maintenance Amendment Act, 2022 Projet de loi nº 111 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les prestations alimentaires familiales

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Eyre: That Bill

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

No. 111 — The Family Maintenance Amendment Act, 2022 be now read a second time.

n° 111 — Loi modificative de 2022 sur les prestations alimentaires familiales 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.

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

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:19 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes Speaker

# NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 19 and are to be answered by day no. 24:

# Question no. 70 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister for SaskPower, regarding the electrical transmission line for the Foran mining project in the Hanson Lake area, (a) what is the expected completion date of the line, (b) what is the total cost, and (c) what financial contribution to the project will be made by (i) SaskPower, (ii) the provincial government, and (iii) others?

# Question no. 71 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister for SaskPower, per annum since 2017, what has been spent on SaskPower office renovations, upgrades, and building acquisitions?

# Question no. 72 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the Minister for SaskPower, since 2011, how many power purchases agreements have been undertaken, with whom, and at what value for each?

### Question no. 73 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the government, between 2005 and 2011, the Centre for Sustainable Research (CSIR) produced several studies on asbestos cement water pipes, many of which are focused on Regina's deteriorating and breaking asbestos cement water pipes; what response has the provincial government taken to these studies?

# Question no. 74 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the government, what steps has the provincial government undertaken in response to the 2010 National Research Council's reporting that problems with asbestos cement water pipes had become so serious in Regina 'immediate identification of potential problems' was needed to 'ensure a safe and clean drinking water supply,' and that there was an urgent need to assess the physical condition of asbestos cement water pipes?

### Question no. 75 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the government, what action(s) were undertaken following warnings in the 2010 Centre for Sustainable Infrastructure Research's study, "Bacterial Challenges to Asbestos Cement Water Distribution Pipelines"?

# Question no. 76 (Ms. Young (Regina University)):

To the government, regarding the water quality testing facility at Centre for Sustainable Infrastructure Research (CSIR), (a) how many tests have been completed to study water quality in old pipes to determine causes for deterioration of water quality since opening in 2012, (b) which municipalities have submitted water quality samples for testing at CSIR, and (c) what solutions/remedies has the water quality testing facility provided to municipalities that provided water samples for testing?

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

### Question no. 77 (Ms. Wilson):

For the Minister of the Environment, (a) has the Government of Saskatchewan committed to the concept of "additionality" with regards to any and all carbon credit schemes or programs it intends to implement; (b) if the concept of "additionality" has been accepted as a premise of carbon credits and

carbon taxation by the Government of Saskatchewan, can the process for accepting this premise be tabled, and can the minister point to any Hansard quotation where this concept has been raised in the chambers in the past five Legislative Assemblies; (c) in the event that the concept of "additionality" has been agreed upon as premise for the Government of Saskatchewan with regards to carbon credits and carbon taxes, can the minister table the baselines utilized for calculating the agriculture carbon from which these calculations would be derived, (i) what year was designated as the basis for the calculation, (ii) why was this particular year chosen and utilized, (iii) where did this standard derive from, was it a "Made in Saskatchewan" decision or was it suggested by a national or international body and subsequently adopted, and if so, which ones, and (iv) what academic sources were used to derive the baseline, and in particular which University of Saskatchewan or University of Regina academics and scientists were consulted regarding this advice, or alternatively which officials and committees of the ministry provided this information and advice; and (d) can the ministry outline the mechanisms that will be used to prevent carbon credits being used and claimed multiple times on the same project, (i) provincially, (ii) nationally, and (iii) internationally?

### Question no. 78 (Ms. Wilson):

For the Minister of Agriculture, (a) has the Government of Saskatchewan committed to the concept of "additionality" with regards to any and all carbon credit schemes or programs it intends to implement; (b) what methodology is being utilized for the calculations of the aggregate carbon tax/credit with regards to Saskatchewan Agriculture; (c) can the ministry table projections of carbon tax cost to the industry over the next decade; and (d) can the ministry table projections of the carbon credit capture relative to Saskatchewan Agriculture, and can this be provided per hectare and with a cost per tonne per year: (i) pastureland, (ii) no till and minimum till farmland, and (iii) tillage based or organic farmland?

### Question no. 79 (Ms. Wilson):

For the Minister of Finance, (a) has the Government of Saskatchewan committed to the concept of "additionality" with regards to any and all carbon credit schemes or programs it intends to implement; (b) what methodology is being utilized for the calculations of the aggregate carbon tax/credit with regards to Saskatchewan Agriculture, (i) is this based upon per tonne per hectare, (ii) what is the mechanism to determine carbon pricing, (ii-a) is it market driven and voluntary, (ii-b) if voluntary, which markets are the ministry using as a basis for price points, and (ii-c) when did these markets become integrated into the formulations and what criteria were used to determine the legitimacy; and (c) what financial/economic models are being employed to determine the calculation of costs and abatements, (i) were any variables for future cash discounts used in these models, and (ii) what were the criteria for using the discounts?

### **Question no. 80 (Ms. Conway):**

To the Minister for Social Services, concerning province-owned public housing, for each year since 2006, broken down by jurisdiction: (a) what was spent on renovations, (b) what was spent on maintenance, (c) how many employees were responsible for renovations and maintenance, (d) how much was spent on external contracts for renovations and maintenance, (e) how many units were vacant on April 1, (f) how many eviction notices were issued, (g) how many units were built, (h) by type, how many units were sold, and (i) how many tenants were served Form 6 notices?

### Question no. 81 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister for Health, regarding virtual care, (a) what billing codes are available to primary care providers for virtual care options, (b) have the amount/type/nature of billing codes available to primary care providers for virtual care changed since first introduced, and (c) are primary care providers limited in the amount of virtual care they can bill for, and if so, what are the parameters?

# Question no. 82 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Social Services, (a) how many hotel room nights have been used by individuals for the purposes of emergency housing in each of the last 3 years, by jurisdiction, (b) what is the total cost for hotel rooms used for the aforementioned purposes, for each of the last 3 years, by jurisdiction, and (c) what is the average annual cost to provide care to a child in the care of the ministry?

The following question was given notice on day no. 22 and is to be answered by day no. 27:

### Question no. 83 (Ms. Wilson):

For the Premier of Saskatchewan, (a) has the Government of Saskatchewan committed to the concept of "additionality" with regards to any and all carbon credit schemes or programs it intends to implement, and (b) which ministry has committed to the premise of additionality with regards to any and all carbon credit schemes or programs?