



FOURTH SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 33

Thursday, March 14, 2024

10:00 a.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, Cockrill, Mowat, Young (Regina University), and Conway.

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 meaningfully address the affordability crisis in Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 30)

To renovate SaskHousing units that require renovations and to make units available and affordable.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 152)

To immediately suspend the carbon tax across the nation of Canada and acknowledge its significant impact on affordability and inflation in Canada.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 155)

To immediately implement a comprehensive affordable housing strategy aimed at helping individuals and families in securing stable and affordable housing.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 159)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The order of the day being called for question no. 2, pursuant to rule 21(6), the question was converted and an order for return was issued. (see appendix)

SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

The order of the day being called for the following motion for a seventy-five minute debate, it was moved by Mr. Kaeding:

That this Assembly supports the Government of Saskatchewan's support for municipalities through programs and investments like the Municipal Revenue Sharing Program, the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Fund, and building new schools and health care facilities; and further,

That this Assembly denounces the opposition NDP for their lack of support for rural municipalities, including their history of shuttering health care facilities and abandoning taxpayers to maintain their own infrastructure.

A debate arising and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to rule 25(5) the Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion no. 2 moved by Mr. Wotherspoon:

That the Assembly calls upon the government to suspend the collection of the provincial fuel tax from gasoline and diesel for a period of six months in order to help families struggling with the high cost of living.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Carr:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes
Speaker

QUESTIONS ORDERED FOR RETURN

The following written question was converted and an order for return was issued:

Return no. 2 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, the number of surgeries that have been delayed due to a lack of beds in the ICU for 2021, 2022 and 2023.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 32 and are to be answered by day no. 37:

Question no. 3 (Ms. Sarauer):

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety, can the ministry answer the following questions about the placement of inmates at Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford who should be housed at Pine Grove Correctional Centre: (a) on which date did the ministry begin transferring inmates to Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford who were supposed to be housed at Pine Grove Correctional Centre; (b) from the date that this started until present, how many inmates have been transferred to Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford who are supposed to be housed at Pine Grove Correctional Centre; (c) how many inmates from Pine Grove Correctional Centre are there at present and what were the point-in-time numbers for each month going back eight months; (d) can the minister explain why inmates are being sent to Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford instead of Pine Grove Correctional, where they should be; (e) are inmates that have been transferred to Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford from Pine Grove Correctional Centre able to access support and programming; (f) what type of programming and support can they access; and (g) are inmates being transferred from any other facilities to Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford and, if so, from which facilities, and how many from each?

Question no. 4 (Ms. Mowat):

To the Minister of Health, what was the long-term care daily fee for Level 1 care by each year in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and current?

The following question was given notice on day no. 33 and is to be answered by day no. 38:

Question no. 5 (Ms. Wilson):

To the Minister of Environment, regarding *The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010*, *The Agricultural Packaging Product Waste Stewardship Regulations*, and the Saskatchewan Grain Bag Recycling Program, can the minister provide copies of all applications for the implementation of delivery for the Saskatchewan Grain Bag Recycling Program for the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024?