



FOURTH SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 43

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER Ruling on a Point of Order (Unparliamentary Language)

Yesterday, on Monday, April 8, 2024, the Deputy Government House Leader (Hon. Ms. Carr) rose on a point of order alleging that during question period, the Leader of the Opposition (Ms. Beck) insinuated the Premier (Hon. Mr. Moe) was lying when she used the phrase, “. . . despite what the Premier would have people believe.” I committed to reviewing the record.

On p. 5329 of *Hansard*, I found that the Leader of the Opposition did make that comment. I will remind members that only three sitting days ago, on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, I asked a member to withdraw and apologize for a similar comment. Disputes over fact are an integral part of debate, but when comments in debate insinuate that other honourable members have been dishonest, they are out of order.

Yesterday’s question period included insults and insinuations of dishonesty by a number of members. I caution members on both sides to be mindful of the words they use in reference to each other and to respect this institution and all members in this Chamber.

I will now ask the Leader of the Opposition to withdraw and apologize for her remarks.

Thereupon, the Leader of the Opposition withdrew her remarks and apologized.

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Nippi-Albright, Harpauer, Love, Teed, Conway, 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 provide adequate, sustainable, and predictable operating funds for Saskatchewan's 27 public and separate school divisions.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 16)

To meaningfully address the affordability crisis in Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 30)

To immediately address the short-staffing crisis in health care.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 153)

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 enshrine Duty to Consult into law by enacting meaningful duty to consult legislation.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 161)

To protect the Duncairn Reservoir Migratory Bird Sanctuary from any proposed expansion of irrigation.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 164)

SECOND READINGS

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake): That Bill No. 160 — The Immigration Services Act be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Ms. Young (Regina University) adjourned.

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 156 — The Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 2024

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 156 — The Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 2024 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 157 — The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2024

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 157 — The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2024 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 158 — The Saskatchewan Commercial Innovation Incentive (Patent Box) Amendment Act, 2024

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake): That Bill No. 158 — The Saskatchewan Commercial Innovation Incentive (Patent Box) Amendment Act, 2024 be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 159 — The Revenue and Financial Services Amendment Act, 2024

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Harpauer: That Bill No. 159 — The Revenue and Financial Services Amendment Act, 2024 be now read a second time.

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

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

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:56 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Saskatchewan Pension Plan: 2023 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 168)

Saskatchewan Pension Plan: Supplementary payment information for the year ended December 31, 2023

(Sessional paper no. 169)

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Ms. Young (Regina University) to move the following motion:

That the Assembly calls upon the government to urgently act to provide relief to families struggling with the high cost of living.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Government)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

On the proposed **motion no. 1** moved by Mr. Bradshaw:

That this Assembly calls upon the Government of Canada to devolve all relevant parts of The Firearms Act to the province of Saskatchewan in order to allow it to administer and regulate legal firearms possession.

(Mr. Kaeding)
Adjourned twice

No. 2 (Opposition)

Not submitted — item of business determined pursuant to rule 24(4).

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following question was given notice on day no. 40 and is to be answered by day no. 45:

Question no. 6 (Ms. Conway):

To the Minister of Social Services, how much money did the ministry pay to the Thriftlodge Motel each year in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023?