

#### FOURTH SESSION — TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

of the

# Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 47

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

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, Lambert, Teed, and Clarke.

#### 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 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 suspend the collection of the provincial fuel tax from gasoline and diesel for a period of six months to help families struggling with the high cost of living.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 170)

To immediately recruit and retain doctors to provide adequate and accessible health care to Rosthern, Duck Lake and surrounding area.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 171)

#### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE

The following bills were reported with amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, they were considered as amended and read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 149 — The Franchise Disclosure Act

Bill No. 150 — The Securities (Saskatchewan Investors Protection) Amendment Act, 2023

Bill No. 152 — The Protection From Human Trafficking (Coerced Debts) Amendment Act, 2023

#### **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 Mr. Clarke 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 Mr. Clarke 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. Wotherspoon 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. Clarke adjourned.

# Bill No. 160 — The Immigration Services Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison (Meadow Lake): That Bill No. 160 — The Immigration Services Act be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Carr:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:58 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Randy Weekes Speaker

# RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Harpauer:

Saskatchewan Government Insurance Service Recognition Plan: 2023 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 172)

# NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Goudy to move the following motion:

That this Assembly supports the Government of Saskatchewan's programs and policies that have led Saskatchewan to be one of the most affordable places to live in Canada, with over \$2 billion in affordability measures included in every budget; and further,

That the Assembly denounces the federal NDP/Trudeau coalition government for their support for policies that have led to a drastic increase in crime, the price of homes, groceries, and more, while continuing to burden taxpayers with an unfair carbon tax.

# NOTICE OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

On Thursday:

Ms. Conway to move the following motion:

That the Assembly calls upon the government to pass legislation to improve accountability and transparency in Saskatchewan with regards to lobbying, electoral finance, conflict of interest, and freedom of information.

# NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

# No. 1 (Opposition)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

Ms. Conway to move the following motion:

That the Assembly calls upon the government to pass legislation to improve accountability and transparency in Saskatchewan with regards to lobbying, electoral finance, conflict of interest, and freedom of information.

#### No. 2 (Government)

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

# NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 44 and are to be answered by day no. 49:

# Question no. 7 (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, how does the government ensure the accessibility and effectiveness of the Saskatchewan Grain Bag Recycling Program across Saskatchewan, especially in rural and remote areas, and which percentage of total fees are allocated for enforcement for the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024?

# Question no. 8 (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, when was the punitive fine process for the Saskatchewan Grain Bag Recycling Program last reviewed?

# Question no. 9 (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 the criteria and dates for the appointment of Cleanfarms as the program administrator including the renewal process for the Saskatchewan Grain Bag Recycling Program for the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024?