



FIRST SESSION — THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE

of the

## Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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No. 6

**Tuesday, December 3, 2024**

1:30 p.m.

### *PRAYERS*

### **SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS**

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the following:

Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan: 2024 report volume 2

(Sessional paper no. 40)

### **STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER Ruling on a Point of Order (Presenting Petitions)**

Yesterday, on Monday, December 2, 2024, the Deputy Government House Leader (Hon. Lori Carr) rose on a point of order alleging that during Presenting Petitions, the Member for Saskatoon Chief Mistawasis (Don McBean) and the Member for Regina University (Sally Housser) both presented petitions on the subject of the gas tax, in contravention of rule 16(3)(d). The Opposition House Leader (Nicole Sarauer) responded by asserting that the prayers of the two petitions differed significantly from one another and requested that they be reviewed. I took the matter under advisement.

Rule 16(3)(d) stipulates that no more than one petition on a subject may be presented during the period for presentation of petitions. Upon review of the *Hansard*, it is evident that the Member for Saskatoon Chief Mistawasis and the Member for Regina University both referenced the gas tax while presenting their respective petitions. However, only one of these references was made within the prayer of the petition and was central to the petition's purpose. The other was made within the petition's preamble, as part of a wider explanation of the petitioners' motivations for bringing forth the subsequent prayer.

Indeed, closer examination reveals that the prayers of the two petitions are substantially different from one another. One calls broadly on the Government of Saskatchewan to meaningfully address the affordability crisis in Saskatchewan, while the other calls specifically for the government to suspend the collection of the provincial fuel tax from gasoline and diesel for a period of six months. While the subjects of these two petitions may have broad areas of overlap, they differ greatly in scope and purpose. For these reasons, I find the point of order not well taken.

### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Jacqueline Roy, Nicole Sarauer, Leroy Laliberte, Keith Jorgenson, and Noor Burki.

### 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 recruit an appropriate complement of pediatric gastroenterology specialists and adjunct services.

(Sessional paper no. 39)

To meaningfully address the affordability crisis in Saskatchewan.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 25)

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. 27)

To provide adequate and equitable SAID rates.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 30)

To immediately provide adequate funding to public, Catholic, and francophone schools.

(Addendum to sessional paper no. 34)

### 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. 2 — The SaskEnergy (Carbon Tax Fairness for Families) Amendment Act, 2024

(Hon. Jeremy Harrison)

**MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Kim Gartner, seconded by the Hon. Eric Schmalz:

That an Humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE RUSS MIRASTY  
Lieutenant Governor of the province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the province of Saskatchewan, in session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session,

and the proposed amendment moved by Jared Clarke, seconded by Vicki Mowat:

That the motion be amended by adding:

And, that the Assembly does not support the agenda outlined in the Speech from the Throne because it fails to include adequate measures to urgently address the challenges Saskatchewan people face regarding health care, education, and the cost of living; and further,

That the Assembly has lost confidence in the government.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The debate being resumed on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Noor Burki adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Tim McLeod:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 8:57 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

*Hon. Todd Goudy*  
*Speaker*

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

On Thursday / jeudi:

Hon. Tim McLeod to move first reading of Bill No. 6 — The Safe Public Spaces (Street Weapons) Act

Hon. Tim McLeod to move first reading of Bill No. 7 — The Court of Appeal (Residency) Amendment Act, 2024

L'hon. Tim McLeod proposera la première lecture du projet de loi n° 7 — Loi modificative de 2024 sur la Cour d'appel (résidence)

## **NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

**The following questions were given notice on day no. 4 and are to be answered by day no. 9:**

**Question no. 1 (Nicole Sarauer):**

To the Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety, (a) how much money has been spent on equipment for the Marshals Service to date, and (b) what type of equipment has been purchased for the Marshals Service to date?

**Question no. 2 (Betty Nippi-Albright):**

To the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, Seniors and Rural and Remote Health, how much money has been paid each month to EHN for Willowview Recovery Centre in Lumsden to date?