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Lieutenant Governor

CANADA

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of
God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her
other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of
the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

To all to whom these Presents shall come, GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION

W.B. COTTER
Deputy
Attorney General

TO OUR FAITHFUL THE MEMBERS
elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly
of Our Province of Saskatchewan and to every
one of you GREETING:

WHEREAS it is expedient for causes and considerations to convene the
First Session of the Twenty-Third Legislative Assembly of our Province of
Saskatchewan.

WE DO WILL that you and each of you and all others in this behalf
interested on THURSDAY the TWENTY-NINTH day of FEBRUARY,
1996 at 10:00 a.m. at our City of Regina, personally be and appear for the
DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, there to take into consideration the state and
welfare of our said Province of Saskatchewan and thereby to do as may
seem necessary, HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF we have caused the Great Seal of Our
Province of Saskatchewan to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: Our right trusty and well beloved the Honourable John
Edward Neil Wiebe, Lieutenant Governor of our Province of Saskatchewan.

AT OUR CAPITAL CITY OF REGINA, in Our said Province, this
twentieth day of February, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine
hundred and NINETY-SIX and in the FORTY-FIFTH year of Our Reign.

By Command,
G. MARCHILDON
Deputy Provincial Secretary

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Province of Saskatchewan

First Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Thursday, February 29, 1996
(1st Day)

10:00 a.m.

This being the first day of the meeting of the First Session of the Twenty-Third Legislature of the Province of Saskatchewan for the despatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour the Honourable J.A. Jackson, Administrator, dated the 8th day of February, 1996, Myron Kuziak, Chief Electoral Officer, delivered to Gwenn Ronyk, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, a Roll containing a list of names of such Members as had been returned to serve in this Legislature, as follows, viz.:

REGINA, Saskatchewan
July 21st, 1996

To: Gwenn Ronyk
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

This is to certify that by reason of the dissolution of the Twenty-second Legislative Assembly of the Province of Saskatchewan and by virtue of the writ of election dated the twenty-third day of May last, and addressed to the hereinafter mentioned persons as returning officers for the provincial constituencies set opposite their respective names, for the election of Members to represent the said provincial constituencies in the Legislative Assembly: each person named hereinbelow has been duly elected to represent the provincial constituency set opposite his or her name as appears in the return of the said writ respecting said constituency, deposited on record in my office on or about the 14th day of July, 1995, the date for return of the writ of election, viz.:

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PROVINCIAL CONSTITUENCY	MEMBER ELECTED	RETURNING OFFICER
Arm River	Harvey McLane	Pat Adams
Athabasca	Buckley Belanger	Robert Desjarlais
Battleford-Cut Knife	Sharon Murrell	E. Judy Jamieson
Cannington	Daniel H. D'Autremont	Anita Thornton
Canora-Pelly	Ken Krawetz	Gladys Myhr
Carrot River Valley	Andy Renaud	Bonnie Haveroen
Cumberland	Keith Goulet	Cecile Allen
Cypress Hills	Jack Goohsen	Kim White
Estevan	Larry Ward	Mabel Young
Humboldt	Arlene Jule	Betty Halderman
Indian Head-Milestone	Lorne Scott	Michelle Ecarnot
Kelvington-Wadena	June Draude	Carol Lowndes
Kindersley	Bill Boyd	Reg Halpenny
Last Mountain-Touchwood	Dale Flavel	Donna Hawes
Lloydminster	Violet Stanger	Bill Rekrutiak
Meadow Lake	Maynard Sonntag	Sharon Wilfing
Melfort-Tisdale	Rod Gantefoer	Robert Harley
Melville	Ron Osika	Ralph Wardle
Moose Jaw North	Glenn Hagel	Howard Parchman
Moose Jaw Wakamow	Lorne Calvert	Cheryl Bolster
Moosomin	Don Toth	Janice Miskiman
North Battleford	Doug Anguish	Walter Korolchuk
Prince Albert Carlton	Myron Kowalsky	Elaine Stefanski
Prince Albert Northcote	Eldon Lautermilch	Ron Steil
Redberry Lake	Walter Jess	Josephine Oliver
Regina Centre	Joanne Crofford	Lesley Griffin
Regina Coronation Park	Kim D. Trew	Lawrence Adams
Regina Dewdney	Ed Tchorzewski	Lynn Scott
Regina Elphinstone	Dwain Lingenfelter	Joe McKeown
Regina Lakeview	John Nilson	Betty Schutzman
Regina Northeast	Ned Shillington	Nester Detz
Regina Qu'Appelle Valley	Suzanne Murray	Josef Tuchscherer
Regina Sherwood	Lindy Kasperski	Lucille Dalrymple
Regina South	Andrew Thomson	Thomas Harder
Regina Victoria	Harry Van Mulligen	Shirley Sebastian
Regina Wascana Plains	Doreen Hamilton	Jeannette Martin
Rosetown-Biggar	Berny Wiens	Brenda Kemppainen
Rosthern	Ben Heppner	Maurice Janex
Saltcoats	Bob Bjornerud	Peter Woznesensky
Saskatchewan Rivers	Jack Langford	Don Bendig
Saskatoon Eastview	Bob Pringle	Joyce O'Keefe
Saskatoon Fairview	Bob Mitchell	Colette Schreiner- Steernberg
Saskatoon Greystone	Lynda Haverstock	John Cristo

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Saskatoon Idylwyld	Janice MacKinnon	Helen Bitz
Saskatoon Meewasin	Carol Teichrob	Ivy Hubble
Saskatoon Mount Royal	Eric Cline	Shirley McDade
Saskatoon Northwest	Grant Whitmore	Robert Jamison
Saskatoon Nutana	Pat Atkinson	Thelma Cvek
Saskatoon Riversdale	Roy Romanow	Georgiana Chartier
Saskatoon Southeast	Pat Lorje	Doris Dumba
Saskatoon Sutherland	Mark Koenker	Eleanore Macdonald
Shellbrook-Spiritwood	Lloyd Johnson	Jean Boddy
Swift Current	John Wall	James Roberts
Thunder Creek	Gerard Aldridge	George Dyck
Watrous	Eric Upshall	Evelyn Edwards
Weyburn-Big Muddy	Judy Bradley	Dwight Tisdale
Wood River	Glen McPherson	Maurice LaPaire
Yorkton	Clay Serby	Shirley Dereniski

The Members, having previously taken the Oath and having subscribed the Roll containing the Oath, took their seats in the Assembly at 10:00 a.m.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly informed the Assembly that she had received a communication from the Private Secretary to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, stating that His Honour would open the Session at 10:00 a.m. today, Thursday, the Twenty-ninth day of February, 1996.

10:01 a.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the Chamber and took his seat upon the Throne.

The Hon. Mr. Shillington, Provincial Secretary, then said:

I am commanded by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, to inform you that he does not see fit to declare the causes of the summoning of the present Legislature until later today, when the Legislative Assembly shall have elected a Speaker according to law.

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His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Chamber.

10:02 a.m.

Pursuant to the provisions of Rules 24, 25 and 26 inclusive, the Assembly proceeded to the election of a Speaker.

The Clerk informed the Assembly that the following Members declared their intention to stand as candidates for election to the Office of Speaker:

Mr. G. Hagel. Member for the Constituency of Moose Jaw North
Mr. H.H. Van Mulligen. Member for the Constituency of Regina
Victoria

(Sessional Paper No. 2)

Members then proceeded to cast their ballots.

The Clerk, being satisfied that the voting procedure had been completed, proceeded with the counting of the ballots.

At 10:21 a.m. the sitting was recessed during the counting of the ballots.

At 10:42 a.m. the sitting resumed and the Clerk informed the Assembly that Mr. G. Hagel, Member for the Constituency of Moose Jaw North, had been duly elected to the Office of Speaker.

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The Clerk having declared Mr. G. Hagel, duly elected, he was conducted to the chair where, standing on the dais, he addressed the Assembly as follows:

I wish to express my grateful thanks and humble acknowledgement of the high honour the Assembly has been pleased to confer upon me, and, while I leave the floor of this Assembly to take the Speaker's chair, I feel that I also leave all political partisan feelings in order that I may discharge with impartiality to all and to the best of my ability the various and important duties pertaining to the high office of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Saskatchewan.

Thereupon he took the chair, and the mace was laid on the Table.

The Assembly recessed from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor re-entered the Chamber and took his seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker then addressed His Honour to the following effect:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The Legislative Assembly has elected me as their Speaker, although I am but little able to fulfill the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not to the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their Queen and Country, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable consideration.

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The Hon. Mr. Shillington, Provincial Secretary, then said:

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and the attachment of the Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, their constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all seasonable occasions and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to open the Session with the following Speech:

Mr. Speaker

Members of the Legislative Assembly:

A RENEWED MANDATE

Welcome to the 1st Session of the 23rd Legislature. It is a particular pleasure to welcome those of you who are sitting as elected Members for the first time.

Election to public office is one of society's most honourable callings. The people of our province have placed a tremendous trust in each of you. I know you will do your utmost to maintain that trust.

My government accepts a renewed mandate from the people of Saskatchewan with enthusiasm.

Our province has restored its financial health.

Our economy is strong and growing.

Saskatchewan today is the best place in the world in which to live and raise a family.

The 21st century holds the promise of even greater things to come. Now is the time to prepare for that new century; to seize the moment with the plans, policies and reforms required to build a better and more prosperous future for all.

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During my government's public consultation, **Preparing for the New Century -- Making Choices for Today and Tomorrow**, people made clear their determination to work together to build that better future.

The people of our province have urged this Assembly to tackle a number of important challenges. My ministers agree. In the coming months, my government will:

- focus on jobs and growth, with the same determination it used to balance the budget;
- propose wide-ranging reforms to our education and training programs;
- put forward a fundamental redesign of social assistance;
- move to the next stage of health renewal, with proposals to improve the way health services are provided to people; and,
- restructure government at every level to reduce the cost of administration; freeing up money for the vital public services our citizens want.

JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

My government's first priority is jobs and growth.

Saskatchewan people achieved a billion-dollar turn-around in the public finances of our province, by working together on a balanced budget plan and sticking to it.

Similarly, we can achieve the goal of a diversified, export-oriented, full employment economy, by working together to craft a long-term plan, and advancing it one step at a time.

My government recently released its new economic development strategy – **Partnership for Growth**. It flows from consultations with business, working people, co-operatives and communities across the province.

Partnership for Growth commits my government to continue to improve the climate for job creation and economic development.

My ministers will present this Assembly with a four-year financial plan that will ensure balanced budgets, and further reduction in public debt over the life of this legislature. Prudent management of public finances will help maintain consumer and business confidence.

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My government will also deliver on its commitment to reduce the regulatory and administrative burden on business. It will present a plan to review all government regulations; a plan which will reduce the regulatory burden by at least twenty-five per cent over the next ten years.

Trade is a key component of my government's economic development strategy. One third of Saskatchewan jobs are export-related, and we export more than half of what we produce.

My ministers will establish the **Saskatchewan Trade and Export Partnership** – STEP – an industry-government partnership to provide local business with:

- research about new market opportunities;
- techniques for developing new markets;
- information on existing and potential markets; and,
- export financing.

My government will continue its strong commitment to community-based economic development, co-operative enterprise and small business.

Saskatchewan's network of more than a dozen **Regional Economic Development Authorities** will double over the next four years. These community-based organizations will become the focal point for economic development in their regions, as they deliver more support programs for business.

My ministers are determined to foster growth in our vibrant co-operative sector by supporting new co-operatives, promoting strategic alliances among existing co-operatives, and supporting their diversification through full and equal access to government programs and services.

My government is also determined to encourage the rapid expansion of Saskatchewan's small business sector – our number one source of new jobs. During this session, you will be presented with proposals which will continue to target incentives for local businesses that create new jobs and opportunities.

Saskatchewan's public companies, our crown corporations, have played an important role in the growth of our economy. My government is committed to a strong and dynamic role for crown corporations in a prosperous, mixed economy.

My ministers have therefore launched a comprehensive review of the crown sector, to ensure that public enterprise will continue to play a positive role in a new, deregulated global marketplace.

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Agriculture remains the foundation of Saskatchewan's export economy, and a source of optimism for the future. In recent years, farm incomes have risen steadily as our producers have diversified.

My government, in partnership with the federal government, will support this positive trend by making more than two-hundred million dollars available over the next four years through the **Agri-Food Innovation, Agriculture Development and Agri-Food Equity** funds, which encourage research, development and diversification in agriculture. This represents a huge investment in the future of agriculture.

New products and new markets have already prompted the dramatic expansion of agricultural biotechnology in our province. Saskatchewan has become a centre of excellence for this industry. This June, Saskatchewan will make that point to a global audience when we host the International Agriculture Biotechnology Conference in Saskatoon.

We must remain alert to the importance of managing the risks in agriculture. The farm safety net now in place is only a step towards a long-term national package. My government will work to achieve a strong national safety net, and will fight to maintain national standards and appropriate levels of funding.

Crop insurance will always be a cornerstone of the agricultural safety net. My government will submit *The Crop Insurance Amendment Act* for your consideration, to provide more flexibility in this important program.

My ministers understand that major pressures continue to concern agriculture. Deregulation of rail transportation, the increasing influence of international trade agreements, and the debate over marketing institutions are all serious issues. My government is committed to protecting the policies and institutions that serve best the interests of our producers, while working with the industry to adapt to change.

The forestry and mining industries are key engines of growth, both in today's economy and in the economy we are building for the new century.

My government will propose a new framework for development of our forestry industry. *The Forest Resources Management Act* will clarify, update and strengthen the rules by which we develop and conserve forest resources.

My ministers remain committed to carefully-regulated growth in our northern mining industry, and determined that jobs and business opportunities will flow to northern residents from that development.

The award-winning **Multi-Party Training Plan** has made major strides in increasing the participation of northerners in the mining workforce. Last year, nearly 50 per cent of mine site employees were northerners. That compares to less than 40 per cent five years ago.

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My government will also work with First Nations and Metis to continue to promote and foster greater self-sufficiency, and new economic opportunities.

My ministers believe that promoting consumer confidence in our domestic market can make an important contribution to economic development. That is why my government will present for your consideration a new *Consumer Protection Act* and *The Direct Sellers Amendment Act*.

The Consumer Protection Act updates and codifies a number of laws governing the marketplace, balances consumer and business interests and promotes protection for vulnerable consumers. *The Direct Sellers Amendment Act* will improve consumer protection and benefit business through the interprovincial harmonization of certain rules governing this industry.

WORKING TOWARDS FULL EMPLOYABILITY

Ensuring that Saskatchewan people are fully employable is one of the best ways our province can promote job creation and economic development.

For many years the federal government has been the senior partner in delivering workforce training in Saskatchewan. The federal government has announced that it is largely withdrawing from this area.

To respond to this challenge, and to work on a made-in-Saskatchewan workforce training strategy, my government has organized a new Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training Department.

It will be the task of this department to assess the programs and institutions devoted to workforce training, and to craft a coherent and effective network, focused on student needs. My government will work closely with business, labour, students and educators to improve the links between industry and training.

Our post-secondary educational institutions are central to both our economy and our society. To ensure they can continue to make their contribution in the years ahead, my government will encourage colleges and universities to share more information and resources, and to reduce the cost of administration by reducing duplication and overlap.

In support of this work, you will be presented with several bills related to training and education.

The Education Amendment Act will clarify and improve certain rules governing the teaching profession. *The University of Regina Amendment Act* and *The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology Amendment Act* will modernize certain outdated provisions governing these institutions.

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SOCIAL PROGRAMS THAT WORK

Saskatchewan has one of the lowest dependency rates in Canada. That is, fewer of our fellow citizens rely on social programs to meet basic needs than in most other provinces.

However, my ministers, like most Saskatchewan people, believe there is still room for improvement. Traditional income support programs do an inadequate job of helping employable recipients achieve independence and self-sufficiency, and they are not adequately addressing critical needs like child poverty.

Over the next two years, my government will work to redesign social assistance, replacing traditional welfare as we know it. Proposals to achieve this goal have been outlined in a discussion paper entitled **Redesigning Social Assistance**.

Our current system is failing children. Child poverty is poverty in its most tragic form. Investing in children is critical to breaking the cycle of poverty and dependence. That is why a key element of my government's social assistance reform will be a new **Saskatchewan Child Benefit** and a **Working Income Supplement**.

These initiatives for low-income families with children will reduce child poverty, and make work pay for families receiving assistance. They will also provide these families with supplementary health coverage for children, so they will not have to turn to social assistance as a result of health-related expenses for their children.

My government's social assistance redesign will help more families to become independent of social assistance; will help youth to avoid becoming trapped in poverty; will allow people involved in training programs to more easily move off social assistance; and will ensure that only those who truly need assistance receive it.

To further assist children, my government will introduce *The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Amendment Act*. This act will substantially improve the ability of custodial parents to get help in collecting child support.

My government will launch a Task Force on Family-friendly Work to bring employers, employees and other stakeholders to a common table to discuss how work practices can be modernized to help parents better meet family and workplace responsibilities.

Our province's families have the right to live in safe communities. My government will propose reforms to the justice system designed to:

- make offenders, including young offenders, more accountable for the impact of their actions on their victims and their community;
- toughen the formal justice system where necessary to ensure that citizens are protected from chronic and violent offenders; and,

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- find new and more effective ways of dealing with non-dangerous offenders.

Too many people have lost a family member or a friend in accidents caused by a drinking driver. My government will introduce *The Highway and Vehicle Statutes Amendment Act* to address this issue. The measures proposed will substantially toughen sanctions against drinking drivers; provide avenues for rehabilitation; and introduce new rules governing new drivers.

A SUSTAINABLE, EFFECTIVE HEALTH SYSTEM

Saskatchewan people are firmly committed to universal, accessible, publicly-funded health care. The health reforms of recent years, placing control of health in local hands and focusing more on people's real needs, have gone a great distance towards making our health system sustainable for today and into the new century.

Our province must now move to the next stage of health renewal – improving the way the health system delivers services to people.

That means making better use of nurses, therapists and counsellors in delivering health services; considering alternative ways to reimburse family physicians; and ensuring all health practitioners work together as part of a coordinated team.

In this session, my government will introduce *The Pharmacy Act*, *The Optometry and Ophthalmic Dispensers Professions Amendment Act*, and *The Radiation Health and Safety Amendment Act*. This legislation will improve the framework governing a number of health professions.

For many years the federal government has been the senior partner in ensuring that health services are universal, accessible, and comprehensive across Canada – building on the Medicare model pioneered in this province.

The federal government has announced that it is changing the federal transfer payment system for health services. The new federal approach threatens to lead to a two-tier health care system.

My government will not permit federal policy to lead to such a system here in Saskatchewan. Therefore, you will be presented with *The Health Facilities Licensing Act*, which will permit our province to better manage the development of private sector health facilities, and prevent the development of a two-tier health system.

FRUGAL, EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT

Saskatchewan already has the leanest, most frugal provincial government in Canada. However, the people of our province have urged my ministers to do more. They expect this Assembly to continue to search for ways to shift limited financial resources, from administration and lower priority infrastructure, to the delivery of vital services for people.

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At the provincial level, my government will propose measures in the budget which will leave citizens in no doubt of its determination to achieve greater frugality and efficiency, and to shift resources to where they can best serve people.

At the local level, we have a higher proportion of local government than any other province in Canada. Our province has 847 urban and rural governments and 119 school boards, all with elected and appointed officials and the authority to set and collect taxes.

The new challenges these local governments face make locally-driven, effective restructuring essential. No one knows that better than the people who manage our municipalities, schools and other local services. They are already co-operating to strengthen local government, and to arrive at a sustainable level of service for the future.

At the request of urban, rural and northern municipalities, you will be asked to consider a number of bills allowing communities to modernize local taxation and assessments. These proposals – developed in close consultation with municipal governments and others – will give communities the tools they need to prepare for the future.

To improve medical, police and other emergency services, my government will introduce *The 911 Emergency Services Act*, and will work with municipalities, police and fire services, health providers, and others to get province-wide 911 service up and running as soon as possible.

At the federal level, the recent referendum in Quebec and the continued uncertainty about the future of our country may provide an opportunity to modernize and improve our federation as a whole. My government will work within its means to help shape that new federation.

A carefully balanced reform should be our goal – guaranteeing the legal and social rights of Canadian citizenship; reinforcing the federal government's ability to carry out its roles and responsibilities; and reinforcing the ability of all provinces to manage their own roles and responsibilities without wasteful overlap, duplication or jurisdictional conflict.

The people of Saskatchewan have many hopes and dreams they can only achieve in partnership with other Canadians. That is why Saskatchewan's commitment is to a strong, united Canada.

CONCLUSION

It has always been a matter of pride to the people of Saskatchewan that this province has one of the highest rates of voluntarism in Canada. Last year this Assembly established the **Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal**, and a few weeks ago it was my privilege to announce the first recipients. I look forward to presenting the Medal to these six outstanding citizens in this Chamber early in the session.

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In conclusion, the agenda my government presents today sets a course for the new century, and outlines the first steps we can take to get there. It is an agenda of:

- jobs and growth;
- reform for our education and training programs;
- fundamental redesign of social assistance;
- improved health services; and,
- reduced government costs.

This agenda is consistent with the values and priorities of our citizens.

It is built on the strong foundation of the return to fiscal responsibility achieved during the term of the previous Legislature.

We have tough challenges to overcome as a province, but we also enjoy the prospect of remarkable opportunities as we prepare, together, for the new century.

The Public Accounts for the last fiscal year, together with the estimates for the year beginning April 1st, 1996 will be submitted. I leave you now to the business of the session, with full confidence that you will favourably discharge your duties and responsibilities. May Divine Providence continue to bless our province and guide this Legislature in all its deliberations.

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

2:26 p.m.

PRAYERS

The Speaker informed the Assembly that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly had received from the Chief Electoral Officer lists of the names of such Members as had been returned to serve in the Legislature, as hereinbefore set forth.

(Sessional Paper No. 1)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, that a Bill respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office be now introduced and read the first time.

Question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

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The Speaker informed the Assembly that Patrick Shaw, Esquire, had been appointed Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly.

The Speaker informed the Assembly that Jocelyn Arthur, Ken Dueck, Leanna Eaton, Mark Lloyd and Leasa McDougall would be pages for this portion of the Session.

The Speaker then informed the Assembly that, in order to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid upon the Table.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor be taken into consideration on Friday, March 1, 1996.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Ordered, That the *Votes and Proceedings* of this Assembly be printed after first having been perused by Mr. Speaker, that he do appoint the printing thereof and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Ordered, That Members Bradley, Lingenfelter, Shillington, Krawetz, Toth be constituted a Special Committee to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Standing Committees of this Assembly, provided under Rule 94;

That the said Standing Committees be severally empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by this Assembly, and to report from time to time their observations thereon; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to examine witnesses under oath.

That the said Special Committee consider the size of the Standing Committees and to report thereon with all convenient speed.

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:45 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, March 1, 1996
(2nd Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Boyd, D'Autremont, Toth, Goohsen, Heppner.

Pursuant to the provisions of Rules 27, the Assembly proceeded to the election of a Deputy Speaker.

The Clerk informed the Assembly that the following Members declared their intention to stand as candidates for election of Deputy Speaker:

Mr. D. Flavel. Member for the Constituency of Last Mountain-Touchwood

Mr. D. Toth. Member for the Constituency of Moosomin

(Sessional Paper No. 3)

Members then proceeded to cast their ballots.

The Clerk, being satisfied that the voting procedure had been completed, proceeded with the counting of the ballots.

At 11:09 a.m. the sitting was recessed during the counting of the ballots.

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At 11:25 a.m. the sitting resumed and the Clerk informed the Assembly that Mr. Flavel, Member for the Constituency of Last Mountain-Touchwood, had been duly elected Deputy Speaker and Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon Mr. Lingenfelter, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Mr. Kim Trew, Member for the Constituency of Regina Coronation Park, be appointed to preside as Deputy Chair of Committees of this Assembly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the annual reports and financial statements of the various Crown Corporations and related agencies, as were Tabled during the Twenty-Second Legislature and not reported upon by the Crown Corporations Standing Committee during that Legislature, be referred to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Kowalsky, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the various Reports of the Provincial Auditor, as Tabled during the Twenty-Second Legislature and not reported upon by the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, and as Tabled in the present Session, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Johnson, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan, as Tabled during the Twenty-Second Legislature and not reported upon by the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, as submitted to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly pursuant to *The Financial Administration Act, 1993* (S.S. 1993, c.F-13.4, s18), and as Tabled in the present Session, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Goulet, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the retention and Disposal Schedules approved under *The Archives Act*, by the Public Documents Committee be referred, as tabled, to the Standing Committee on Communication.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, by leave of the Assembly:

That the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Legislative Library, as Tabled during the Twenty-Second Legislative Assembly and not reported upon by the Standing Committee on Communication, and as Tabled during the present Session, be referred to the Standing Committee on Communication.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Ms. Hamilton, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Members Bradley, Lingenfelter, Lorje, Kowalsky, Renaud, Whitmore, Draude, Krawetz, Toth, be constituted a Continuing Select Committee, pursuant to Rule 92, with the power to call for persons, papers and records and to examine witnesses under oath and whose duty it shall be to establish from time to time, select committees with the power to call for persons, papers and records and to examine witnesses under oath and with the power to travel and to hear testimony away from the seat of Government; and

That the Continuing Select Committee will have the power to set the terms of reference for each select committee; and

That each select committee shall report directly to the Legislative Assembly from time to time.

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The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. Boyd, from his place in the Assembly, made a request pursuant to Rule 19 to move a priority of debate motion.

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

This morning a notice under Rule 19 was delivered to the Office of the Clerk to seek authorization to proceed with a "Priority of Debate" motion. The requisite two hours notice was provided but I note that the text of the proposed "Priority of Debate" motion required under Rule 19(2) was not received as part of that notice and was in fact received after the notice deadline. I advise all honourable Members to be aware that the motion text is required as part of the "Priority of Debate" request. I shall now address the matter at hand.

With regard to the importance of this issue, I believe the Leader of the Third Party has established a case that the matter does warrant urgent consideration. The Speaker is obliged, however, under Rule 19(5), to pay "regard to the probability of the matter being brought before the House within reasonable time by other means." Yesterday this Assembly adopted an Order that the Speech from the Throne be taken into consideration today. I advise the Leader of the Third Party that the debate on the Address in Reply to His Honour's Speech is an important opportunity for him to forward his case through amendment. I point out paragraph 267 of *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, 6th edition, page 82, which states "Amendment to the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne are used by Oppositions for the purpose of challenging government policies or actions." Furthermore, I submit to the Leader of the Third Party that an amendment is a more effective means of forwarding his argument because amendments to the Address in Reply are considered confidence motions. Because the Leader of the Third Party will shortly have an opportunity to participate in the debate on the Address in Reply I find that pursuant to Rule 19(5) the matter he has raised could be brought before the Assembly within reasonable time by other means. For this reason it is the Speaker's decision to deny the request for a "Priority of Debate."

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, the Annual Report on Operations of the Office of the Provincial Auditor for the year ended March 31, 1995

(Sessional Paper No. 17)

The Speaker laid before the Assembly a Report of the Saskatchewan Information and Privacy Commissioner for the period ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 18)

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The Speaker laid before the Assembly an Opinion of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner pursuant to sections 29 and 30 of *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act* regarding the Hon. Mr. Pringle.

(Sessional Paper No. 19)

The Speaker laid before the Assembly an Opinion of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner pursuant to sections 29 and 30 of *The Members' Conflict of Interest Act* regarding the Hon. Ms. Teichrob.

(Sessional Paper No. 20)

The Order of the Day having been called for consideration of the Speech of His Honour at the opening of the Session, Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Thomson, moved:

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

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE JOHN E.N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her 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.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:53 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

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Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were Tabled with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during the dissolution period May 19, 1995 to February 28, 1996:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Energy Conservation and Development Authority for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 4)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 1994.

(Sessional Paper No. 5)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund II Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 1994.

(Sessional Paper No. 6)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of New Careers Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 7)

Report of the Provincial Auditor - Fall Report 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 8)

Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1995 (Volumes 1 and 2) and Supplementary Information.

(Sessional Paper No. 9)

Report regarding acquisition of 100 Class A common shares of SaskPower Commercial Inc. by SaskPower effective September 15, 1994 including a copy of the share certificate dated September 15, 1994.

(Sessional Paper No. 10)

Report regarding incorporation of SaskPower Commercial Inc. dated September 15, 1994, pursuant to s.30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993*.

(Sessional Paper No. 11)

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Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Wetland Conservation Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 12)

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Agricultural Returns Stabilization Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 13)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Tripartite Beef Administration Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 14)

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Health Services Utilization and Research Commission for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 15)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Cancer Foundation Board of Directors for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No.16)

Monday, March 4, 1996

(3rd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Boyd, D'Autremont, Toth, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Sessional Paper No. 22)

Ms. Bradley, as Chair of the Special Nominating Committee appointed to prepare lists of Members to compose the Standing Committees of the Assembly, presents the First Report of the said committee which is as follows:

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Your Committee recommends that the size and composition of the standing committees of the Assembly under Rule 94 be as follows:

Agriculture

Bradley	D'Autremont	Flavel
Jess	Johnson	Langford
McLane	McPherson	Murrell
Membership 9		

Communication
Speaker as Chair

Anguish	Goohsen	Jess
Krawetz	McPherson	Murray
Shillington	Stanger	Trew
Membership 10		

Constitutional Affairs

Lingenfelter	Aldridge	Kowalsky
Lorje	Murray	Osika
Shillington	Tchorzewski	Toth
Membership 9		

Crown Corporations

Lorje	Bjornerud	Bradley
D'Autremont	Hamilton	Johnson
Kasperski	Langford	McLane
Trew		
Membership 10		

Education

Bradley	Heppner	Jule
Koenker	Krawetz	Murray
Murrell	Stanger	Whitmore
Membership 9		

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Environment

Johnson
D'Autremont
Sonntag
Membership 9

Belanger
Koenker
Trew

Bjornerud
Murray
Whitmore

Estimates

Hamilton
Goohsen
Tchorzewski
Membership 9

Aldridge
Kowalsky
Trew

Draude
Sonntag
Whitmore

Municipal Law

Hamilton
Kasperski
Thomson
Membership 9

Bjornerud
Kowalsky
Trew

Heppner
McLane
Ward

Non-controversial Bills

Draude
Heppner
Wall
Membership 7

Belanger
Krawetz

Flavel
Pringle

Private Members' Bills

Johnson
Goohsen
Murrell
Membership 9

Aldridge
Langford
Ward

Draude
Lorje
Whitmore

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Privileges and Elections

Bradley
Langford
Sonntag
Membership 9

Cline
McPherson
Tchorzewski

Krawetz
Pringle
Toth

Public Accounts

Gantefoer
Haverstock
Sonntag
Toth
Membership 10

Aldridge
Koenker
Stanger

Flavel
Pringle
Thomson

On motion of Ms. Bradley, seconded by Mr. Krawetz:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Special Nominating Committee be now concurred in.

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

On Friday March 1, 1996, the honourable Member for Moosomin raised a point of order with respect to the method under Rule 88(3) by which this Legislative Assembly elects its Deputy Chair of Committees. In response to the Member, I did point out that it has been the long-standing tradition of this Assembly to elect its presiding officers by motion which of course differs considerably from the secret ballot process more recently instituted with respect to the Speaker and Deputy Speaker. Because of those differences, for the benefit of all Members, I would like to take a moment to elaborate about what is meant by the term election in Rule 88(3).

Before 1991, the three presiding officers of this Assembly were all elected by the same process of candidates being identified and proposed for the respective positions Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Deputy Chair of Committees by way of substantive motions. This followed the custom of the House of Commons in Ottawa, which in turn adapted it from the British practice at Westminster. In the case of competition for a presiding officer position, the name of another candidate could be proposed not as amendment to the motion but as a separate motion. The question on the initial motion would then be put and if the majority decided in favour of that motion, the candidate identified in the motion would be declared elected and the other motions dropped. Consequently, the term "election" was defined to mean the majority will of the Assembly as expressed by voting in favour or against the motion. I also point out that the tradition was that the Premier would propose these types of motions. The traditional process, of course, was superseded by the secret ballot procedure which was devised initially for the Speaker and then extended to the Deputy Speaker. As Members are aware the secret ballot process is not applicable to the Deputy Chair of Committees. Therefore the Deputy Chair of Committee continues to be elected upon motion and not secret ballot.

MARCH 4, 1996

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Thomson:

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

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE JOHN E. N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her 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.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. Heppner, in amendment thereto:

That the following words be added to the motion:

but regrets that the provincial government has betrayed Saskatchewan people through its failure to create jobs, its attacks on the business community, its destruction of the health care system, its unfair tax policies, its expansion of gambling against the will of Saskatchewan people, its massive increases in utility rates, and particularly, its betrayal of 12,000 farm families through the breaking of its solemn vow not to sent out GRIP bills.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Johnson, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 4:53 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Scott:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Water Appeal Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 23)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Fish and Wildlife Development Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 24)

By the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Grain Car Corporation for the year ended July 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 25)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 26)

By the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Energy and Mines for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 27)

Tuesday, March 5, 1996
(4th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Boyd, D'Autremont, Toth, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

MARCH 5, 1996

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 1—An Act to provide for the Enforcement of the Code of Ethical Conduct for Members of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly (Anti-corruption)

(Ms. Haverstock)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Thomson:

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

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE JOHN E. N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her 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 thereto moved by Mr. Boyd:

That the following words be added to the motion:

but regrets that the provincial government has betrayed Saskatchewan people through its failure to create jobs, its attacks on the business community, its destruction of the health care system, its unfair tax policies, its expansion of gambling against the will of Saskatchewan people, its massive increases in utility rates, and particularly, its betrayal of 12,000 farm families through the breaking of its solemn vow not to sent out GRIP bills.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Koenker, adjourned.

MARCH 5, 1996

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Upshall:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Public Service Commission for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

By the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

Annual Report of the Department of Labour for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 29)

Annual Report of the Labour Relations Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 30)

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Financial Statements of the Provincial Mediation Board Trust Account for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 31)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Police Commission for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 32)

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Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Police Complaints Investigator for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 33)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Law Foundation of Saskatchewan for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 34)

Financial Statements of the Agricultural Implements Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 35)

Wednesday, March 6, 1996
(5th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: McPherson, Boyd, Belanger, Osika, Bjornerud, D'Autremont, Toth, Jule, Heppner, Whitmore, Krawetz, Goohsen, Gantefoer, McLane, Aldridge.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to oppose changes to federal legislation regarding firearm ownership.

(Sessional Paper No. 36)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to allocate adequate funding dedicated toward the double-laning of Highway #1.

(Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to order a moratorium on hospital and nursing home closures until after an election for a new board can be held.

(Sessional Paper No. 38)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Thomson:

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

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE JOHN E. N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her 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 thereto moved by Mr. Boyd:

That the following words be added to the motion:

but regrets that the provincial government has betrayed Saskatchewan people through its failure to create jobs, its attacks on the business community, its destruction of the health care system, its unfair tax policies, its expansion of gambling against the will of Saskatchewan people, its massive increases in utility rates, and particularly, its betrayal of 12,000 farm families through the breaking of its solemn vow not to sent out GRIP bills.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Sonntag, adjourned.

MARCH 6, 1996

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:03 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Annual Report of the Department of Provincial Secretary and the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Program for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 39)

By the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Centre of the Arts for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 40)

Annual Report of the Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 41)

By the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1995 including Supplementary Information.
(Sessional Paper No. 42)

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By the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute for the year ended March 31, 1995 including Expanded Reporting Requirements 1994/95 fiscal year.

(Sessional Paper No. 43)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute for the year ended March 31, 1994 including Expanded Reporting Requirements 1993/94 fiscal year.

(Sessional Paper No. 44)

By the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Research Council for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 45)

Thursday, March 7, 1996
(6th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, McPherson, Boyd, Belanger, Jule, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, Aldridge, D'Autremont, Toth, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to reverse its decision to route Highway #16 through the Village of Borden.

(Sessional Paper No. 47)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Thomson:

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

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE JOHN E. N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her 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 thereto moved by Mr. Boyd:

That the following words be added to the motion:

but regrets that the provincial government has betrayed Saskatchewan people through its failure to create jobs, its attacks on the business community, its destruction of the health care system, its unfair tax policies, its expansion of gambling against the will of Saskatchewan people, its massive increases in utility rates, and particularly, its betrayal of 12,000 farm families through the breaking of its solemn vow not to sent out GRIP bills.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Pringle, adjourned.

MARCH 7, 1996

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission for the period between January 1, 1994 and March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 48)

Financial Statements of the Public Trustee for Saskatchewan for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 49)

Financial Statements of the Office of the Rentalsman - Trust Account for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 50)

Financial Statements of the Queen's Printer Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 51)

Financial Statements of the Correctional Facilities Industries Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 52)

MARCH 7, 1996

By the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

Annual Report of the Department of Social Services for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 53)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 54)

Friday, March 8, 1996
(7th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, McPherson, Belanger, Jule, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Boyd, D'Autremont, Toth, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to challenge the implementation of Bill C-68, the federal firearms legislation.
(Sessional Paper No. 55)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.
(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.
(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bill, Mr. D'Autremont, moved: That Bill No. 2—An Act respecting the Property Rights of the People of Saskatchewan—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS — 47

Romanow	Van Mulligen	Mitchell
Wiens	MacKinnon	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Anguish	Tchorzewski
Johnson	Lautermilch	Upshall
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Calvert	Koenker	Trew
Bradley	Lorje	Nilson
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Kasperski
Ward	Jess	Flavel
Murrell	Thomson	Osika
Aldridge	McLane	Draude
McPherson	Belanger	Jule
Krawetz	Gantefoer	Boyd
D'Autremont	Toth	Heppner
Goohsen	Haverstock	

NAYS — 00

The said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting.

MARCH 8, 1996

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Thomson:

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

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE JOHN E. N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her 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 thereto moved by Mr. Boyd:

That the following words be added to the motion:

but regrets that the provincial government has betrayed Saskatchewan people through its failure to create jobs, its attacks on the business community, its destruction of the health care system, its unfair tax policies, its expansion of gambling against the will of Saskatchewan people, its massive increases in utility rates, and particularly, its betrayal of 12,000 farm families through the breaking of its solemn vow not to sent out GRIP bills.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Speaker interrupted proceedings pursuant to Rule 14(3) and put the question on the amendment, which was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS – 13

Osika	Aldridge	McLane
Draude	McPherson	Belanger
Jule	Krawetz	Gantfoer
Boyd	D'Autremont	Heppner
Goohsen		

NAYS – 30

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Wiens
Lingenfelter	Shillington	Anguish
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Lautermilch
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Trew	Bradley	Lorje
Nilson	Serby	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Kasperski	Ward	Jess
Flavel	Murrell	Thomson

The debate continuing on the motion, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:42 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Beef Stabilization Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 56)

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Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 57)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Beef Development Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 58)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 59)

By the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees (Government Contributory) Superannuation Plan for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 60)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Service Superannuation Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 61)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Plan for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 62)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Municipal Employees' Superannuation Commission for the year ended December 31, 1994.

(Sessional Paper No. 63)

By the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Oil and Gas Environmental Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 64)

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By the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Financial Statements of the Highways Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 65)

By the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Economic Development for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 66)

Financial Statements of the Northern Saskatchewan Economic Development Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 67)

Monday, March 11, 1996
(8th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, McPherson, Belanger, Bjornerud, Jule, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, D'Autremont, Toth, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to challenge the implementation of Bill C-68, the federal firearms legislation.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 55)

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The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 3—An Act respecting The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology
(Hon. Mr. Mitchell)

Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The University of Regina Act
(Hon. Mr. Mitchell)

Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education Act
(Hon. Ms. Atkinson)

Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Community Bonds Act
(Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter)

Bill No. 7—An Act to repeal The Industrial Incentive Program Act
(Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter)

Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act
(Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter)

Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Direct Sellers Act
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 10—An Act respecting Marketplace Practices, Consumer Products Warranties and Unsolicited Goods and Credit Cards
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Mr. Speaker delivered a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor communicating the membership of the Board of Internal Economy dated September 7, 1995; December 13, 1995; January 17, 1996 and March 6, 1996.

(Sessional Paper No. 75)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 1 and 2), they were answered. (See Appendix)

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Thomson:

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

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE JOHN E. N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her 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.

The debate continuing, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS — 31

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Wiens
MacKinnon	Lingenfelter	Shillington
Tchorzewski	Whitmore	Goulet
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Koenker	Trew	Bradley
Lorje	Scott	Teichrob
Nilson	Cline	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Jess	Flavel
Thomson		

NAYS — 15

Osika	McLane	Draude
McPherson	Belanger	Bjornerud
Jule	Krawetz	Gantefoer
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	Haverstock

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Tchorzewski:

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are of the Executive Council.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Ordered, That this Assembly, pursuant to Rule 92, hereby appoints the Committee of Finance to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty and to consider the Ways and Means of raising the Supply.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:42 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Scott:

Financial Statements of the Department of Environment and Resource Management Commercial Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 68)

By the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 69)

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Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Student Aid Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 70)

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Department of Justice for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 71)

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Annual Statistical Report and Financial Statements of the Prescription Drug Services Branch for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 72)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the St. Louis Alcoholism Rehabilitation Centre for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 73)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the LaRonge Hospital for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 74)

Tuesday, March 12, 1996
(9th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Gantefoer, McPherson, Belanger, Bjornerud, Jule, Krawetz , McLane, Aldridge, D'Autremont, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to challenge the implementation of Bill C-68, the federal firearms legislation

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 55)

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The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 11—An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act (Appointments Review Committee/"ARC")
(Mr. Heppner)

Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act and to enact consequential amendments
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Department of Social Services Act
(Hon. Mr. Calvert)

Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Income Plan Act
(Hon. Mr. Calvert)

Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Child and Family Services Act
(Hon. Mr. Calvert)

Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act
(Hon. Mr. Renaud)

Bill No. 17—An Act to amend certain Acts respecting Highways and Vehicles
(Hon. Mr. Serby)

A point of order was raised by the Member for Saskatoon Southeast, Ms. Lorje, stating that it was not in order for the Member for Melfort-Tisdale, Mr. Gantfoer, to table a document during "Statement by Members" under Routine Proceedings. The Speaker reserved his ruling.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 3 and 4), pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (Nos. 1 and 2).

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The Order of the Day being called for the following Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Mr. Bjornerud, seconded by Mr. McPherson:

That this Assembly denounce any actions the government may be planning concerning amalgamation of rural municipalities, particularly because, as this Assembly is aware, municipalities have expressed vehement opposition to amalgamation done without extensive consultation with all parties that may be affected by these plans.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Whitmore, seconded by Mr. Sonntag, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the words "Assembly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

support the Government's cooperative work with urban and rural municipalities to prepare for the next century by ensuring government at all levels provides effective, sustainable services within an affordable governance structure.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS — 19

Van Mulligen	Shillington	Whitmore
Kowalsky	Calvert	Pringle
Koenker	Trew	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Jess	Flavel	Murrell
Thomson		

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Aldridge	McLane	McPherson
Belanger	Bjornerud	Julé
Krawetz	Gantefoer	

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to.

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The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 1), it was moved by Mr. Gantfoer, seconded by Mr. Aldridge:

That this Assembly demand the government repeal the unfair Crown Construction Tendering Agreement (CCTA) which has since its implementation cost the taxpayers of this province \$118 million last year alone, and will continue to cost this province in excess of \$110 million annually.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Trew, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 76)

Financial Statements of the Prairie West Regional College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 77)

Financial Statements of the Northlands College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 78)

Financial Statements of the Southeast Regional College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 79)

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Financial Statements of the North West Regional College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 80)

Financial Statements of the Cypress Hills Regional College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 81)

Financial Statements of the Parkland Regional College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 82)

Financial Statements of the Carlton Trail Regional College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 83)

Financial Statements of the Cumberland Regional College for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 84)

Wednesday, March 13, 1996
(10th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Gantefoer, McPherson, Belanger, Bjornerud, Jule, Krawetz , Draude, Aldridge, McLane, D'Autremont, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to halt the closure of the Cypress Lodge kitchen services.

(Sessional Paper No. 85)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 18—An Act to enable direct reduction of the Provincial Debt

(Mr. Aldridge)

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday the Member for Saskatoon Southeast raised a point of order concerning whether the Member for Melfort-Tisdale could table documents during the Private Members' Statements period. At the time I advised the Assembly that I would consider the point before ruling. I am now prepared to rule on the matter.

Contrary to the custom or standing orders of many other parliaments, Members of this Legislative Assembly are permitted by practice to table documents "in the course of debate." This was pointed out very early in the legislative history of this Assembly in a ruling of the Speaker made in 1924. In that ruling the Speaker stated that while the tabling of a document was in order to permit reference to be made to it during debate, it should not appear as a Sessional Paper. Consequently, for the last seventy-two years it has continued to be the practice of this Assembly to accept documents at the Table which have no official or statutory requirement to be tabled. Such documents, however, are not minuted nor do they enjoy any official status. Subsequently the practice evolved to include not only documents tabled in debate but documents tabled in the course of other proceedings such as Question Period. The tabling of documents during the Private Members' Statement Period falls within contemporary practice. Therefore I find the Member's point of order not well taken.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 5), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 3).

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Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by Mr. Pringle:

That this Legislative Assembly shares the Government's concern that 73 per cent of the cuts in the 1996-97 federal budget are cuts in cash transfers to provinces for health, education and social programs; furthermore, reductions in federal funding for health, education and social programs continue into the next century; therefore, we call on the federal government to consider a national plan that ends these cuts and protects national standards and basic services.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Aldridge, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "Assembly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

urge this Government to refrain from blaming the federal budget and direct its efforts toward creating jobs and encouraging the economic growth needed to secure the social programs treasured by all Saskatchewan residents.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 9

Osika	Aldridge	McLane
Draude	McPherson	Belanger
Jule	Krawetz	Gantefoer

NAYS – 30

Romanow	Mitchell	Wiens
MacKinnon	Lingenfelter	Shillington
Anguish	Tchorzewski	Whitmore
Upshall	Kowalsky	Crofford
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Trew	Bradley	Lorje
Nilson	Cline	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Wall	Kasperski	Sonnta
Jess	Murrell	Thomson

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The question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 31

Romanow	Wiens	MacKinnon
Lingenfelter	Shillington	Tchorzewski
Whitmore	Upshall	Kowalsky
Crofford	Calvert	Pringle
Koenker	Trew	Bradley
Lorje	Scott	Teichrob
Nilson	Cline	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Sonntag	Jess	Murrell
Thomson		

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The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:35 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

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The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Order-in-Council establishing Transportation Partnership Corporation pursuant to *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993*.

(Sessional Paper No. 86)

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By the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Communications Network Corporation (SCN) for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 87)

By the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Education, Training and Employment for the year ended June 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 88)

Thursday, March 14, 1996
(11th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: McPherson, Belanger, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Osika, D'Autremont, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

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The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 19—An Act to revoke the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement

(Mr. Goohsen)

Bill No. 20—An Act respecting the Management of Forest Resources

(Hon. Mr. Scott)

Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Interpretation Act, 1995 and to enact a related amendment / Projet de loi No. 21—Loi modifiant la Loi d'interprétation de 1995 et édictant une modification corrélative

(Hon. Mr. Nilson / L'hon. M. Nilson)

Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Radiation Health and Safety Act, 1985 and to make Related Amendments to The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993

(Hon. Mr. Anguish)

Bill No. 23—An Act to amend The Archives Act

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 24—An Act respecting the Prescription of Pharmaceutical Agents and Contact Lenses

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act, 1990

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 26—An Act to amend the Statute Law

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 27—An Act respecting Architects

(Hon. Mr. Serby)

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The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 6 and 7), they were answered. (See Appendix).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by Mr. Osika, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Percy Alvin Brown, who died in Victoria on March 2, 1994, was a member of the Legislative Assembly representing the constituency of Melville from 1952 until 1956. Mr. Brown was born at Lebrét on July 19, 1912 and received his education in Melville. In his youth, he excelled at boxing, having held the Welter-weight Title for Western Canada. He married Ola Atkey in the late 1930s, a marriage that was to last fifty-seven years.

In his private life, Mr. Brown was a businessman. He operated a photo studio in Melville with his brother in the 1940s. In 1952, Mr. Brown was elected to serve as the Member of this Legislative Assembly for Melville. He ran again in the 1956 general election but was not re-elected. After leaving provincial politics, Mr. Brown moved with his wife to Pullman, Washington, where he pursued his business interests. They return to Canada in 1974, choosing Victoria as the site of their retirement.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by Mr. Osika, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Alexander C. Cameron, who died in Regina on January 16, 1996, was a member of this Legislative Assembly from 1948 until 1971, representing the constituency of Maple Creek. Mr. Cameron was born on June 30, 1907 at Avonhurst where he received his early schooling.

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He continued his studies at Campion College and graduated from the University of Ottawa. Later he attended the Normal School and the University of Saskatchewan where he received his teaching certificate. His career as a teacher encompassed periods in several communities in South West Saskatchewan, notably Morse and Fox Valley, before assuming the principalship of the Richmond High School.

On February 17, 1935, he married Miriam Stodalka. In 1941, Mr. Cameron left the teaching profession to pursue his business interests, as an automobile and implement dealer.

Mr. Cameron's interest in his community is illustrated by the many organizations in which he served and held posts. He was an organizing member of the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation and an overseer of the Village-Trustee Larger School Unit in 1946. He had an active role organizing credit unions in the mid 1940s and was a proponent of the Swift Current Health Region. He was a fourth degree Knight of Columbus.

A long tenure as Mayor of Richmond marked the beginning of Mr. Cameron's service in elected office. This in turn was followed by an even longer tenure as a member of this Assembly. He was first elected in 1948 and re-elected in the five succeeding general elections. Mr. Cameron was responsible for several cabinet portfolios, including Mineral Resources, SaskTel, Saskatchewan Transportation Company and Saskatchewan Government Insurance. His political career also included the presidency of the provincial Liberal Party.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by Mr. Aldridge, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Lionel Philius Coderre, who died on August 3, 1995 in Regina, was a member of this Legislative Assembly for the constituency of Gravelbourg from 1956 until 1971. Mr. Coderre was born on April 15,

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1915 in the town that bore his family's name. He began his schooling in Coderre and completed it at College Mathieu in Gravelbourg. He then embarked on the first of his many business endeavors, selling household products. A period working as a nurse in the Provincial Hospital in Weyburn followed.

In 1939, Mr. Coderre answered the call of his country and enlisted in the South Saskatchewan Regiment. He was a participant in the ill-fated Canadian raid on Dieppe and was twice mentioned in despatches. His distinguished record saw him attain the rank of Major and command of his own company. Mr. Coderre's active service came to an end in 1945 when he was wounded in Holland. It was during his convalescence that he met and married Pauline Graf.

Mr. Coderre returned to his community and his business pursuits. Initially he bought and operated the local power plant for ten years. His interest in radios then came to the fore with a thriving radio shop. Not content to simply sell and repair small appliances and do wiring in the community, Mr. Coderre used his ham radio equipment to keep the Franciscan Fathers in Peru in touch with their family and brothers at the St. Michaels Retreat House and around the province.

Mr. Coderre entered provincial politics in 1956 by winning the Gravelbourg seat. He successfully retained the constituency in the three subsequent general elections. Mr. Coderre held the Ministerial portfolios of Labour and of Co-operation and Co-operative Development from 1964 until 1970. At that time, he assumed responsibility for Public Works. Mr. Coderre's keen interest in political affairs continued after he left office, lessening only in the mid 1980s when he stepped aside for a new generation to take the reins.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by Mr. Osika, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

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Ernest Franklin Gardner, who died on May 13, 1995, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly for the constituency of Moosomin from 1965 to 1975. Better known as John, Mr. Gardner was born on January 5, 1923 in Kennedy, Saskatchewan. He completed his early schooling there before continuing his education at the University of Saskatchewan. He enrolled in mechanical engineering but interrupted his studies to serve in the Second World War. He trained as a pilot and navigator with the Royal Canadian Air Force and rose to the rank of Pilot Officer. After the war, he returned to complete his studies.

Mr. Gardner's first employment position was as a selection officer with the federal civil service. Subsequently he returned to his farming background, combining winter months teaching at the Saskatoon campus of the University of Saskatchewan with summers working his land. Mr. Gardner's commitment to the University did not end with his retirement from teaching but continued up until his passing. He was serving a second term as a member of the University Senate. Besides his chosen professions, Mr. Gardner was an active participant in a variety of community organizations. He served as a councillor for the rural municipality of Wawken and as Mayor of Kennedy. The Kipling Hospital Board and the Cannington Home Care Board also benefited from his membership as did the Royal Canadian Legion.

Mr. Gardner next turned his attention to provincial concerns on June 30, 1965, when he was elected to this Assembly in a by-election. He retained his seat in the general election of 1967 and again in 1971. During his terms of office he held numerous positions, most notably as the Minister of Public Works from 1965 to 1967 and as chair of the Saskatchewan Flag Selection Committee. He also served on the executive of the Saskatchewan Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

In his later years, Mr. Gardner enjoyed long tenures on the executive of the Southeast Regional Library, the Saskatchewan Library Trustee Board and the local Kennedy Board. He also chaired the Regina Rural Health Region from 1988 to 1994.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

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Moved by Mr. Romanow, seconded by Mr. Osika, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Frank Kenneth Radloff, who died in Nipawin on May 15, 1995, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly representing the constituency of Nipawin from 1964 to 1971. Mr. Radloff was born at Star City, Saskatchewan on December 9, 1916 and attended local public and high schools. On June 30, 1938, he married Inez Nygaard and together they had four children.

A merchant by trade, Mr. Radloff distinguished himself in his chosen career and in his service to his community. He was president, shareholder and manager of Seruw Stores Limited and received the Master Retailer Award for Saskatchewan in 1964. He served for a decade as a school trustee from 1942 until 1952. Mr. Radloff devoted twenty-one years as Mayor of the town of Nipawin, serving first from 1953 to 1963 and again from 1974 to 1985. Local service clubs also benefited from Mr. Radloff's time and efforts. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Elk's Lodge and the Rotary club. He was an honorary member of the Canadian Legion. His leisure interests were reflected in his involvement with the Nipawin Curling Club and the Nipawin Golf Club.

Mr. Radloff's provincial political career began as a candidate in the Nipawin Constituency in the 1960 general election. Although he was unsuccessful at this time, he did win election to this Assembly in 1964 and again in 1967. Mr. Radloff sought a third term in the 1971 general election but did not retain his seat.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by Mr. Osika, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Russel Allan Sutor, who died at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on September 23, 1995, was a member of this Legislative Assembly for the constituency of Regina North East from 1982 until 1985. He was born on April 24, 1951 at Mossbank, Saskatchewan. Mr. Sutor established his credentials as a businessman. He owned a variety of businesses, including a travel agency, a delivery service and a Regina motel.

Mr. Sutor entered provincial politics at the young age of thirty-one by winning a seat in the 1982 general election. Initially he served as a government backbencher but was later given a position as legislative secretary to the Minister of Economic Development and Trade. Mr. Sutor resigned his seat in April 1985, citing personal and business reasons.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by Mr. Osika, by leave of the Assembly:

That the Resolutions just passed, together with a transcript of oral tributes to the memories of the deceased, be communicated to the bereaved families on behalf of this Assembly by Mr. Speaker.

The question being put, it was agreed to, *nemine contradicente*.

The Hon. Mr. Nilson, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Direct Sellers Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Krawetz, adjourned.

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The Hon. Mr. Nilson, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 10—An Act respecting Marketplace Practices, Consumer Products Warranties and Unsolicited Goods and Credit Cards—be now read a second time.

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

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 3—An Act respecting The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell: That Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The University of Regina Act —be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Community Bonds Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 7—An Act to repeal The Industrial Incentive Program Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:43 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

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Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Book Bureau for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 89)

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Correspondence School for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 90)

By the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Financial Statements of the Doukhobors of Canada C. C. U. B. Trust Fund Board for the year ended May 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 91)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 92)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Western Development Museum for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 93)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Art Board for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 94)

Annual Report of the Department of Municipal Government for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 95)

Friday, March 15, 1996
(12th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, McPherson, Belanger, Bjornerud, Gantfoer, Aldridge, Goohsen, Heppner.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to allocate adequate funding dedicated toward the double-laning of Highway #1.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 8 and 9), they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 10), the Speaker made the following statement:

It has come to my attention that part (3) of written question No. 10 asks for information over a four year period. As written questions must be answered in five days, they must ask for information for only one year in each question.

Therefore part (3) will be deleted if this item is dealt with as a question. If it is converted to a Return, then it is in order to request information covering more than one year to be returned to the House.

Question (No. 10) was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 4), pursuant to Rule 42(5).

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 7—An Act to repeal The Industrial Incentive Program Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Department of Social Services Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Income Plan Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Child and Family Services Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Upshall: That Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act —be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 23—An Act to amend The Archives Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 24—An Act respecting the Prescription of Pharmaceutical Agents and Contact Lenses—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Bjornerud, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Serby: That Bill No. 27—An Act respecting Architects—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:08 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, March 18, 1996
(13th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Jule, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to halt the closure of the Cypress Lodge kitchen services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 85)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 28—An Act to provide for the Establishment, Development and Maintenance of Public Libraries

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 29—An Act to enable Co-operation among all Types of Autonomous Libraries for the Provision of Library Services

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 11), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 12), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 5).

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with provisions of Section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*: Report on the Financial Statements of Crown Agencies - March 1996

(Sessional Paper No. 102)

The Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Radiation Health and Safety Act, 1985 and to make Related Amendments to The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act, 1990—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 26—An Act to amend the Statute Law—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Direct Sellers 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 10—An Act respecting Marketplace Practices, Consumer Products Warranties and Unsolicited Goods and Credit Cards—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Mitchell: That Bill No. 3—An Act respecting The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology—be now read a second time.

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The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Mitchell: That Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The University of Regina 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Community Bonds 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Department of Social Services 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Income Plan Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Child and Family Services 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 3:19 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Justice -
Victims Services Program for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 96)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Law Reform Commission
of Saskatchewan for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 97)

Annual Report of the Farm Land Security Board for the year ended
March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 98)

Annual Report under *The Freedom of Information and Protection of
Privacy Act* for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 99)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Judges of the Provincial
Court Superannuation Plan for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 100)

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Whitespruce Youth
Treatment Centre for the year ended March 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 101)

Tuesday, March 19, 1996
(14th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Jule, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

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The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Hotel Keepers Act
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Local Government Election Act
(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 33—An Act respecting Service Districts and to make consequential amendments to certain other Acts
(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Electrical Inspection Act, 1993
(Hon. Mr. Anguish)

Bill No. 35—An Act to amend The SaskEnergy Act
(Hon. Mr. Anguish)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 13), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 14), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 6).

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 2), it was moved by Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Jess:

That this Assembly work with farmers, with farm organizations and with the government in designing a workable, fair and affordable approach to farm security.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. McLane, seconded by Mr. Bjornerud, in amendment thereto:

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That all the words after the word "Assembly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

condemns the provincial government for failing to work in the best interests of Saskatchewan farmers by (1) unilaterally tearing up thousands of Gross Revenue Insurance Program contracts without having an alternate effective farm support program in place and; (2) breaking its word by sending Saskatchewan GRIP overpayment bills after it had expressly promised in the Legislature not to do so.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Johnson: "That this debate be now adjourned."

The question being put, it was negatived.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:55 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Financial Statements of Meewasin Valley Authority for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 103)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Wanuskewin Heritage Park for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 104)

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Financial Statements of the University of Saskatchewan for the year ended April 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 105)

Financial Statements of the University of Regina for the year ended April 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 106)

By the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

Saskatchewan Public Service Commissioners' Report — Effectiveness and Fairness of the Staffing Process for the year ended September 30, 1994.

(Sessional Paper No. 107)

Wednesday, March 20, 1996
(15th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Jule, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson, Heppner.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petition was read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 36—An Act to amend or repeal Miscellaneous Statutes concerning Municipal Government

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Water Corporation Act

(Hon. Mr. Anguish)

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Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act
(Hon. Mr. Anguish)

Bill No. 39—An Act to Promote, Develop and Sustain Irrigation
(Hon. Mr. Anguish)

Bill No. 40—An Act respecting Pharmacists and Pharmacies
(Hon. Mr. Cline)

Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Mental Health Services Act
(Hon. Mr. Cline)

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Before calling Written Questions, I draw to the attention of the Assembly that the fourth part of question 15, standing on today's Order Paper, is out of order on account that it seeks information pertaining to more than one year. Members are again reminded of the long-standing practice of this Assembly that a written question may not ask for information related to more than a one year period. Accordingly, the government is not required to provide an answer to this part.

The first three parts to question 15 are in order and may be answered by the government. The content of the fourth part of question 15 could be resubmitted as a Notice of Motion for Return or re-written as two separate questions.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 16), it was answered. (See Appendix)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act and to enact consequential amendments—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McPherson, adjourned.

The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No.28—An Act to provide for the Establishment, Development and Maintenance of Public Libraries—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 29—An Act to enable Co-operation among all Types of Autonomous Libraries for the Provision of Library Services—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Hotel Keepers Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 33—An Act respecting Service Districts and to make consequential amendments to certain other Acts—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Toth, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Electrical Inspection Act, 1993—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Income Plan Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Ms. Jule: “That this debate be now adjourned.”

The question being put, it was negatived.

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The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Toth: "That this debate be now adjourned."

The question being put, it was negatived.

The debate continuing on Bill No. 14, it was on motion of Mr. Koenker, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Upshall: That Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 23—An Act to amend The Archives Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Serby: That Bill No. 27—An Act respecting Architects—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

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Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Scott:

Financial Statements of the Resource Protection and Development
Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 108)

Annual Report of the Department of Saskatchewan Environment and
Resource Management for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 109)

By the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Gaming
Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 110)

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Health for the year ended March 31,
1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 111)

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the following Professional
Associations and amendments thereto, under provisions of the respective
Acts:

Saskatchewan Association of Architects

Certified General Accountants Association of Saskatchewan

Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan

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Chiropractors' Association of Saskatchewan

Association of Dental Technicians of Saskatchewan

Denturist Society of Saskatchewan

Association of Professional Engineers of Saskatchewan

Law Society of Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Society of Medical Laboratory Technologists

Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association

Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association

Registered Psychiatric Nurses Association of Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Psychological Association

Rural Municipal Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Funeral Service Association

Saskatchewan Land Surveyors' Association

Saskatchewan Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists

Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation

Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association

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By the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Statement of Facts Concerning Guarantees Implemented under The
Community Bonds Act.

(Sessional Paper No. 113)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees
Benefits Agency Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 114)

Details of expenditure under The Election Act for the year 1994-95

(Sessional Paper No. 115)

Thursday, March 21, 1996
(16th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Jule, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to allow an increase in the security deposits on rental properties.

(Sessional Paper No. 116)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

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The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 42—An Act respecting the Protection of Saskatchewan Taxpayers
(Mr. Boyd)

Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Crown Corporations Act, 1993
(Hon. Mr. Wiens)

Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Tax Enforcement Act and to make a consequential amendment to The Provincial Mediation Board Act
(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Municipal Board Act
(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 47—An Act to amend The Agri-Food Act
(Hon. Mr. Upshall)

Bill No. 48—An Act to amend The Animal Identification Act
(Hon. Mr. Upshall)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No.15), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 17 to 19), pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (Nos. 7 to 9).

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill 35—An Act to amend The SaskEnergy Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Bjornerud, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Water Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill 38—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Krawetz, adjourned.

The Hon. Mr. Anguish, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 39—An Act to Promote, Develop and Sustain Irrigation—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert: That Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Income Plan Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Radiation Health and Safety Act, 1985 and to make Related Amendments to The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993—be now read a second time.

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The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act and to enact consequential amendments—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act, 1990

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 117)

Friday, March 22, 1996
(17th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Belanger, Krawetz, Draude, Aldridge, Julé, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petition was read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Natural Resources Act
(Hon. Mr. Scott)

Bill No. 50—An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act, 1993 and to make a consequential amendment
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Film and Video Classification Act
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

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The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 20 and 21), pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (Nos. 10 and 11).

The Hon. Mr. Nilson, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Mental Health Services Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act, 1990

Bill No. 26—An Act to amend the Statute Law

Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Hotel Keepers Act

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:57 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, March 25, 1996
(18th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petition was read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now recess to honour the distinguished Volunteer Medal Recipients, and reconvene at the call of the Speaker.

The Assembly, according to Order, recessed from 2:30 p.m. until 4:15 p.m.

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The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Belanger, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Local Government Election Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend or repeal Miscellaneous Statutes concerning Municipal Government—be now read a second time.

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

The Hon. Mr. Cline, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 40—An Act respecting Pharmacists and Pharmacies—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Bjornerud, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

During consideration of Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act, and the question being put on clause 3, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS — 21

Mitchell	MacKinnon	Shillington
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Kowalsky
Crofford	Renaud	Trew
Lorje	Teichrob	Nilson
Cline	Stanger	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Sonntag	Jess	Thomson

NAYS — 8

McLane	Draude	McPherson
Belanger	Bjornerud	Julé
Gantfoer	Goohsen	

Moved by Mr. Goohsen:

Clause 8 of the printed Bill is amended, by adding, a new subsection 70(2.3) immediately following subsection 70(2.2) as being enacted therein, as follows:

(2.3) No owner or driver-operator of a self-propelled agricultural implement, and no driver of a vehicle transporting or towing an agricultural implement, on secondary highways and municipal roads within the province between sunrise and sunset shall be liable for any damages arising out of such transportation provided that they are driven or trailered in compliance with the rules normally applicable to the operation of a licensed motored vehicle on a provincial highway, in so far as those rules may apply.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Amend clause 119(1)(b.1) of the Act as being enacted by clause 9(b) of the printed Bill by striking out “contr” and substituting “control”.

The amendment was agreed to.

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Moved by Mr. McLane:

Clause 10 of the printed Bill is amended by deleting subsections (1) and (2) and substituting the following:

This Act comes into force upon consideration and acceptance by the Committee of the Whole of regulations proposed pursuant to this Act.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 6

McLane
Bjornerud

Draude
Julé

McPherson
Gantfoer

NAYS – 20

Mitchell
Johnson
Renaud
Lorje
Cline
Wall
Jess

Shillington
Kowalsky
Pringle
Teichrob
Murray
Kasperski
Thomson

Tchorzewski
Crofford
Trew
Nilson
Langford
Sonntag

During consideration of Bill No. 28—An Act to provide for the Establishment, Development and Maintenance of Public Libraries, it was moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Amend Clause 22 of the printed Bill by striking out subsection (2) and substituting the following:

(2) On receipt of the estimate made pursuant to subsection (1), the municipality shall, unless it elects pursuant to subsection (5), make a special levy for the purpose of raising the money stated in the estimate or any part of the money that may be approved by the council, to be known as the library mill rate.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

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The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 29—An Act to enable Co-operation among all Types of Autonomous Libraries for the Provision of Library Services

Bill No. 23—An Act to amend The Archives Act

The following Bills were reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act

Bill No. 28—An Act to provide for the Establishment, Development and Maintenance of Public Libraries

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 26, 1996
(19th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson,

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petition was read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 52—An Act to amend The Referendum and Plebiscite Act
(Canadian Wheat Board)

(Mr. Boyd)

Bill No. 53—An Act to amend The Snowmobile Act

(Hon. Mr. Renaud)

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The Order of the Day being called for Question (No.22), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 23), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 12).

The Order of the Day being called for the following Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Mr. Pringle, seconded by Mr. Kowalsky:

That this Assembly work with the government in its determination to review and revise our social assistance programs as outlined in the discussion paper, Redesigning Social Assistance, so that they can truly work towards eliminating child poverty and towards assisting people out of dependence and into independence.

A debate arising, it was moved by Ms. Julé, seconded by Mr. Belanger, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "Assembly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

condemns the provincial government for failing to recognize that significant and sustained job creation is the only way to cure the growing social assistance numbers in Saskatchewan, and because it has provided no real hope for those employable residents on social assistance to get back on their own feet with long term jobs.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 11

Aldridge
McPherson
Julé
Toth

McLane
Belanger
Gantfoer
Goohsen

Draude
Bjornerud
D'Autremont

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NAYS – 25

Van Mulligen	Shillington	Tchorzewski
Johnson	Whitmore	Goulet
Kowalsky	Renaud	Pringle
Koenker	Trew	Lorje
Cline	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Jess	Flavel	Murrell
Thomson		

The question being put on the motion, it was agreed to, on Division.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 3), it was moved by Mr. Bjornerud, seconded by Mr. McLane:

That this Assembly call on the government to immediately implement a real plan to address the urgent problem of Big Game foraging on farmers' crops, firstly, by taking reasonable measures to remove or control the population of Big Game near farmers' grain fields and, secondly, by putting in place a reasonable compensation plan for farmers whose crops have been destroyed or damaged by Big Game.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Sonntag, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:24 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 27, 1996
(20th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petition was read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 54—An Act respecting Conservation Easements and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

(Hon. Mr. Scott)

Bill No. 55—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Pension Act

(Hon. Ms. MacKinnon)

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Bill No. 56—An Act to Protect the Public from Convicted Pedophiles

(Mr. Osika)

Bill No. 57—An Act to repeal The Police Pension (Saskatoon) Funding Act

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 58—An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 59—An Act to amend The Balanced Budget Act

(Mr. Aldridge)

Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Crop Insurance Act

(Hon. Mr. Upshall)

Bill No. 61—An Act respecting the Practices of Professional Engineering and Professional Geoscience and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

(Hon. Mr. Renaud)

The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. McPherson, from his place in the Assembly, made a request pursuant to Rule 19 to move a priority of debate motion.

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

This morning the Opposition House Leader delivered a notice for “Priority of Debate” to the Office of the Clerk, as is required under Rule 19(2). It is the Speaker’s responsibility to determine whether the matter should receive urgent consideration and be permitted to proceed. Having reviewed the Member’s case, I am now prepared to rule on the matter.

As required by the Rule, the Member has established that the matter of the closure of the Plains Health Centre is of public importance. However, under Rule 19(5), to determine whether the matter is urgent to be discussed, the Speaker is obliged to pay “regard to the probability of the matter being brought before the House within reasonable time by other means.” The Opposition House Leader states in his case that tomorrow the Minister of Finance is scheduled to present the provincial budget to the Assembly therefore today is the final opportunity for the Assembly to consider a resolution before

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the Health Department's budget is "finalized for the upcoming year." I wish to draw to Members' attention that there have been many opportunities over the past several weeks to raise this matter in the normal course of business.

I also wish to draw to the Member's attention that the presentation of the budget does not constitute any sort of final decision on the government's annual spending estimates. The budget does initiate the ancient parliamentary right of grievance before supply. I submit that on a matter of parliamentary principle the budget is not finalized until this Assembly passes into law an Appropriation Act. Therefore, it is in this light that the Speaker must consider whether the matter could be brought before the House within a reasonable time by other means.

I advise the Opposition House Leader that the budget debate process, during which time he or any other member could move a non-confidence amendment, is an important and effective opportunity to forward the case presented to me this morning. Secondly, through the consideration of the Department of Health estimates, Members are afforded an opportunity in Committee of Finance to raise such matters. Finally, until the conclusion of the grievance before supply process Members will also have access to all the regular means available to put issues before the Assembly. The member could give notice of a motion to urge the government to amend the estimates to address this problem as he sees fit. For this reason it is the Speaker's decision to deny the request to set aside the regularly scheduled business to proceed with a "Priority of Debate."

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 24), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 13).

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 10—An Act respecting Marketplace Practices, Consumer Products Warranties and Unsolicited Goods and Credit Cards, it was moved by Mr. McLane:

Clause 78 of the printed Bill is amended by deleting the words "on proclamation" where they appear therein and substituting the following words therefor:

upon consideration and acceptance by the Committee of the Whole of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly of regulations proposed pursuant to this Act.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS – 8

Osika
McPherson
Krawetz

McLane
Bjornerud
Gantefoer

Draude
Julé

NAYS – 29

Van Mulligen
Shillington
Tchorzewski
Goulet
Calvert
Bradley
Serby
Murray
Kasperski
Murrell

Mitchell
Anguish
Johnson
Kowalsky
Koenker
Nilson
Stanger
Langford
Sonntag
Thomson

Wiens
Atkinson
Whitmore
Renaud
Trew
Cline
Hamilton
Wall
Jess

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Direct Sellers Act

Bill No. 10—An Act respecting Marketplace Practices, Consumer Products Warranties and Unsolicited Goods and Credit Cards

Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 28, 1996
(21st Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petition was read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 25), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 26), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No.14).

Before Orders of the Day the Member for Wood River raised a point of order concerning the language used by the Minister of Health in a response to a question asked by the Member for Humboldt during Oral Question Period on March 27, 1996. Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

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The Hon. Ms. MacKinnon delivered a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor which was read by the Speaker as follows:

REGINA, MARCH 11, 1996

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, and Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending March 31, 1996, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN E.N. WIEBE
Lieutenant Governor

(Sessional Paper No. 118)

On motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

Ordered, That His Honour's Message, the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, be referred to the Committee of Finance.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Aldridge, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

Ordered, That debate on the motion "That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance" be resumed on Friday, March 29, 1996.

MARCH 28, 1996

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 3:23 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, March 29, 1996
(22nd Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge.

The following Petitions were presented and laid upon the Table:

By Mr. Pringle—Of the St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan

By Mr. Pringle—Of Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns), in the Province of Saskatchewan

By Mr. Whitmore—Of the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, in the Province of Saskatchewan

By Ms. Hamilton—Of Luther College, Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan

According to Order, the Clerk informed the Assembly that on March 28, 1996, a certain petition regarding an increase in the security deposits on rental properties was presented. Pursuant to Rule 12(7) the petition was found to be irregular and therefore was not read and received.

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According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 62—An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act (Ordering Implementation Negated by Crown/"OINC")

(Mr. Boyd)

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday the Opposition House Leader raised a point of order concerning the language the Minister of Health used while responding to a question from the Member for Humboldt during Wednesday's Oral Question Period. The Government House Leader then requested a decision on the Member for Arm River's Members' Statement. At the time I reserved my ruling so that I could review the Hansard and consider the points raised by the Members. I am now prepared to rule on these matters.

Over recent days there has been a development that is giving me considerable concern. Members from all caucuses have characterized their colleagues in demeaning terms which is entirely unworthy of this Assembly. Humour, when in good taste, is appropriate but when it becomes personal and offensive, it is unacceptable. Recently, the tone, manner and intention of certain remarks have caused disorder. All Members, I am sure, could cite examples of personally offensive remarks from the last weeks.

With regard to the point of order, I find the language used by the Minister of Health and the intent of the language used by the Member for Arm River to be unparliamentary. These are but the latest examples of how this unfortunate state of affairs has escalated and become increasingly personal. Other Members must also bear responsibility for similar comments. I have full confidence in the ability of Members to engage in forceful and spirited debate without having to resort to such avenues. I ask all Members to show due respect to their colleagues and their institution.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 27), it was answered. (See Appendix)

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:45 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, April 1, 1996
(23rd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: McPherson, Bjornerud, Belanger, Krawetz, Gantfoer, McLane, Aldridge.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of the St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend and consolidate the Act of incorporation

Of the Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns), in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend and consolidate the Act of incorporation

Of the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend the Act of incorporation

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Of Luther College of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan
praying for an Act to amend the Act of incorporation

The Minister, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bills, recommends them to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 63—An Act respecting the Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund

(Hon. Ms. MacKinnon)

Bill No. 64—An Act respecting Pensions for Public Employees

(Hon. Ms. MacKinnon)

Bill No. 65—An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act

(Hon. Ms. MacKinnon)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 28), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 29), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 15).

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, in amendment thereto:

That the following words be added to the motion:

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and that, in considering the 1996-97 budget estimates, this Assembly require that MLA's take-home pay be reduced by an amount equivalent to the one-time windfall MLAs will receive in 1996 as a result of the delay in the implementation of the McDowell Report, which amounts to approximately \$4,000 for each Regina MLA and \$4,400 for each non-Regina MLA.

The question being put on the amendment, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 33

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Anguish	Atkinson
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Whitmore
Kowalsky	Koenker	Trew
Scott	Nilson	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Sonntag	Jess	Flavel
Murrell	Thomson	Aldridge
McLane	McPherson	Belanger
Bjornerud	Krawetz	Gantfoer

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

The debate being resumed, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 2, 1996
(24th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: McPherson, Belanger, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Haverstock, Langford.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 31, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 41, 42, 43, 46, 47, 48, 51, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 61, 62, 63), they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 30, 34, 35, 39, 40, 44, 45, 49, 50, 54, 55, 59, 60, 64, 65), pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (Nos. 16 to 30).

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

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

The debate being resumed, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 3, 1996
(25th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to allow an increase in the security deposits on rental properties.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 116)

Mr. Johnson, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

APRIL 3, 1996

Your Committee wishes to report that Mr. Johnson has been elected as Chair of the Committee.

Your Committee has duly examined the under-mentioned Petitions for Private Bills and finds that the provisions of Rules 64, 65 and 68 have been fully complied with

Of the St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend and consolidate the Act of incorporation.

Of the Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns), in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend and consolidate the Act of incorporation.

Of the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend the Act of incorporation.

Of Luther College of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend the Act of incorporation.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Draude:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills be now concurred in.

Thereupon the Clerk laid upon the Table the following Bills:

Bill No. 01—An Act Respecting St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon
(Mr. Pringle)

Bill No. 02—An Act Respecting Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan
(Mr. Pringle)

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Bill No. 03—An Act to Amend The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Act

(Mr. Whitmore)

Bill No. 04—An Act to Amend An Act incorporating Luther College, Regina

(Ms. Hamilton)

The said Bills were read the first time, and ordered for Second Reading at the next sitting, pursuant to Rule 71.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 34

Romanow	Van Mulligen	Mitchell
Wiens	MacKinnon	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Atkinson	Johnson
Upshall	Kowalsky	Crofford
Renaud	Calvert	Pringle
Koenker	Trew	Bradley
Lorje	Teichrob	Nilson
Cline	Serby	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Jess	Flavel	Murrell
Thomson		

NAYS – 12

Osika	McLane	Draude
McPherson	Belanger	Bjornerud
Julé	Krawetz	Boyd
D'Autremont	Toth	Haverstock

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The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

The Committee considered resolutions for Interim Supply.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

That a sum not exceeding three hundred and thirty-nine million, and forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997.

A debate arising, progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3 of the Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, this Assembly shall on Thursday, April 4, 1996, meet at 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. and, that it do recess from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:52 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to Rule 3(6).

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 119)

Thursday, April 4, 1996
(26th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider resolutions for Interim Supply.

The Committee resumed debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

That a sum not exceeding three hundred and thirty-nine million, and forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, it was agreed to.

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On motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1997 the sum of three hundred and thirty-nine million, and forty-five thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

The said resolutions were reported, read twice and agreed to, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 66—An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Year ending on March 31, 1997—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 55, the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall, by leave of the Assembly:

That notwithstanding Rule 3(4) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, that when this Assembly adjourns on Thursday, April 4, 1996, it do stand adjourned until Wednesday, April 10 at 1:30 p.m.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

12:32 p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed His Honour:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed several Bills which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which Bills I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

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The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the Bills that had been passed severally as follows:

- 7 An Act to repeal The Industrial Incentive Program Act
- 25 An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act, 1990
- 26 An Act to amend the Statute Law
- 30 An Act to amend The Hotel Keepers Act
- 16 An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act
- 28 An Act to provide for the Establishment, Development and Maintenance of Public Libraries
- 29 An Act to enable Co-operation among all Types of Autonomous Libraries for the Provision of Library Services
- 23 An Act to amend The Archives Act
- 9 An Act to amend The Direct Sellers Act
- 10 An Act respecting Marketplace Practices, Consumer Products Warranties and Unsolicited Goods and Credit Cards
- 31 An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: “In Her Majesty’s name, I assent to these Bills.”

The Speaker then said:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly has voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service. In the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour the following Bill, to which Bill I respectfully request Your Honour’s Assent:

- 66 An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Year ending on March 31, 1997

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His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I thank the Legislative Assembly, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

12:35 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:37 p.m. until Wednesday, April 10 at 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order made this day.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 120)

Wednesday, April 10, 1996
(27th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Deputy Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to allow an increase in the security deposits on rental properties.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 116)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 66), it was answered. (See Appendix)

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Moved by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Belanger, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend or repeal Miscellaneous Statutes concerning Municipal Government—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 24—An Act respecting the Prescription of Pharmaceutical Agents and Contact Lenses—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 40—An Act respecting Pharmacists and Pharmacies—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS – 22

Van Mulligen	Lingenfelter	Shillington
Anguish	Atkinson	Johnson
Whitmore	Crofford	Renaud
Koenker	Trew	Bradley
Lorje	Scott	Stanger
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Flavel
Thompson		

NAYS – 7

Osika	Draude	Belanger
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 6–An Act to amend The Community Bonds Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Economic Development.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 11, 1996
(28th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 67—An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act (Free Votes/"FREE")

(Mr. Heppner)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 67), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 31).

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Renaud: That Bill No. 53—An Act to amend The Snowmobile Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 50—An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act, 1993 and to make a consequential amendment—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Film and Video Classification Act—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 57—An Act to repeal The Police Pension (Saskatoon) Funding Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 58—An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Aldridge, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Department of Social Services Act

Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Income Plan Act

APRIL 11, 1996

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Child and Family Services Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Social Services.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Telecommunications for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 121)

Friday, April 12, 1996
(29th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: McPherson, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Johnson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 68—An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act (Legislative Utilities Review Committee/"LURC")

(Mr. D'Autremont)

APRIL 12, 1996

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 35—An Act to amend The SaskEnergy 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Radiation Health and Safety Act, 1985 and to make Related Amendments to The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993, it was moved by Mr. Gantefoer:

Clause 12 of the Printed Bill is amended by deleting the words “on proclamation” where they appear therein and substituting the following words therefor:

upon consideration and acceptance by the Committee of the Whole of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly of regulations proposed pursuant to this Act

The question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Electrical Inspection Act, 1993

Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Water Corporation Act

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed, on Division:

Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Radiation Health and Safety Act, 1985 and to make Related Amendments to The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

APRIL 12, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Labour.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:56 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, April 15, 1996
(30th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to undertake measures to remedy the problem of big game crop damage.
(Sessional Paper No. 122)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.
(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 69—An Act to amend The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Act
(Ms. Draude)

APRIL 15, 1996

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now recess for 45 minutes to honour the Members of the Armed Forces Reserve, and that this Assembly do reconvene at the call of the Speaker, ringing the bells five minutes in advance of reconvening.

The Assembly recessed from 2:52 p.m. until 3:41 p.m.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Child and Family Services Act, it was moved by Ms. Julé:

Amend clause 2 of the Printed Bill by adding, immediately after the words “any portion of the costs of the application ” where they occur in subsection 12(3.3) being enacted therein, the following words:

; if leave is granted, the court may order the respondent to pay all or any portion of the costs of the application, either at the conclusion of the application or the action

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 7

Osika
Bjornerud
Gantefoer

McLane
Julé

Draude
Krawetz

NAYS – 20

Van Mulligen
Goulet
Calvert
Lorje
Serby
Kasperski
Murrell

Shillington
Kowalsky
Koenker
Teichrob
Stanger
Sonntag
Thomson

Tchorzewski
Crofford
Trew
Cline
Murray
Jess

The question being put on clause 3, it was agreed to, on Division.

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The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Child and Family Services Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Education.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it continued its consideration of the Estimates for Education.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Environment and Resource Management.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 16, 1996

(31st Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 70—An Act to amend The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board Act

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

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Bill No. 72—An Act to amend The Northern Municipalities Act and to make a consequential amendment to another Act

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 68, 69 and 70), they were answered. (See Appendix).

The Order of the Day being called for the following Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Mr. Aldridge, seconded by Mr. McPherson:

That this Assembly condemn the government concerning the budget decisions made in the 1996/97 provincial budget as it will seriously devastate the essential services in rural Saskatchewan.

A debate arising, it was moved by Ms. Murrell, seconded by Mr. Wall, in amendment thereto:

That all of the words after the word “Assembly” be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

commend the Government of Saskatchewan for arranging its budget to preserve essential services available to all Saskatchewan residents, including those in rural Saskatchewan.

The debate continuing, and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to Rule 17(5), the Speaker interrupted proceedings.

According to Order, the following Bills were read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills:

Bill No. 01—An Act Respecting St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon

(Mr. Pringle)

Bill No. 02—An Act Respecting Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan

(Mr. Pringle)

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Bill No. 04—An Act to Amend An Act incorporating Luther College, Regina

(Ms. Hamilton)

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 4), it was moved by Mr. Goohsen, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont:

That this Assembly urge the government to support any initiatives allowing Saskatchewan workers the right to work under any circumstances including crossing picket lines with no penalties, and further, in order to maximize individual freedom of choice in the pursuit of employment, that the right to work shall not be subject to undue restraint or coercion, that the right to work shall not be infringed upon or restricted by membership, in affiliation with, financial support of a labour organization or a refusal to join, affiliate with, or financially or otherwise support a labour organization.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

	YEAS – 4	
Boyd	D'Autremont	Heppner
Goohsen		
	NAYS – 37	
Romanow	Van Mulligen	Mitchell
Wiens	MacKinnon	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Anguish	Atkinson
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Lautermilch
Renaud	Pringle	Koenker
Trew	Bradley	Lorje
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Jess
Flavel	Murrell	Thompson
Osika	Aldridge	Draude
McPherson	Bjornerud	Julé
Krawetz		

APRIL 16, 1996

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:52 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations:
Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association
Saskatchewan League of Educational Administrators, Directors and
Superintendents

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 112)

Wednesday, April 17, 1996
(32nd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Draude, Aldridge, McPherson, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Minister having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 74—An Act to amend The Government Organization Act
and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 71), it was answered. (See Appendix).

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The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No.45—An Act to amend The Tax Enforcement Act and to make a consequential amendment to The Provincial Mediation Board Act —be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Municipal Board Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No.70—An Act to amend The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Osika, adjourned.

The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No.71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Osika, adjourned.

The Hon. Ms. Teichrob, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No.72—An Act to amend The Northern Municipalities Act and to make a consequential amendment to another Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Osika, adjourned.

APRIL 17, 1996

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Osika, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Local Government Election 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Municipal Government.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

APRIL 17, 1996

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Horned Cattle Fund Schedule 1, Financial Statements Compendium
1994-95, Part A of the Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan
(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 9)

Thursday, April 18, 1996
(33rd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to immediately repeal the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement and replace it with a fair tendering policy.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 72), it was answered. (See Appendix)

APRIL 18, 1996

The Hon. Mr. Wiens, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Crown Corporations Act, 1993—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 39—An Act to Promote, Develop and Sustain Irrigation—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Film and Video Classification 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 50—An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act, 1993 and to make a consequential amendment—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

APRIL 18, 1996

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act and to enact consequential amendments—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 58—An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Local Government Election Act

Bill No. 35—An Act to amend The SaskEnergy Act

Bill No. 40—An Act respecting Pharmacists and Pharmacies

Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Mental Health Services Act

The Committee, by leave, considered the following Bill:

Bill No. 50—An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act, 1993 and to make a consequential amendment

APRIL 18, 1996

The following Bill was reported without amendment, and by leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 55, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 50—An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act, 1993 and to make a consequential amendment

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:39 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Interim Report on Saskatchewan Vital Statistics for the calendar year 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 123)

By the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 124)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Development Fund Corporation and the Saskatchewan Development Fund for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 125)

APRIL 18, 1996

By the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the CIC Mineral Interests Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 126)

By the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Auto Fund for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 127)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of SGI Canada Insurance Services Limited for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 128)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Insurance for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 129)

By the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

Annual Report and Financial Information of Saskatchewan Computer Utility Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 130)

By the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Transportation Company (STC) for the fourteen months ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 131)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Workers' Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 1995 and the Statistical Supplement for 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 132)

Friday, April 19, 1996
(34th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, Aldridge, McPherson, D'Autremont, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to allow an increase in the security deposits on rental properties.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 116)

APRIL 19, 1996

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 75—An Act respecting the Right to Work (RTW) in the Province of Saskatchewan

(Mr. Goohsen)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 73), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 32).

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 74), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Hon. Mr. Serby, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 17—An Act to amend certain Acts respecting Highways and Vehicles—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 74—An Act to amend The Government Organization Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 63—An Act respecting the Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Krawetz, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 64—An Act respecting Pensions for Public Employees—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

APRIL 19, 1996

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 65—An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Krawetz, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act and to enact consequential amendments, it was moved by Mr. McPherson:

Amend clause 5 of the printed Bill by adding immediately after clause 31.9 (1) (b) as being enacted therein the following new clause:

(c) a person's ability to earn an income would be impaired by the suspension.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 7

Aldridge	Draude	McPherson
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

NAYS – 20

Van Mulligen	Lingenfelter	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Goulet
Kowalsky	Renaud	Calvert
Pringle	Scott	Teichrob
Nilson	Stanger	Murray
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Thomson	

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed;

Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act and to enact consequential amendments

APRIL 19, 1996

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 1:05 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, April 22, 1996
(35th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk informed the Assembly that on April 19, 1996, a certain petition regarding portions of the Gun Control Act as it pertains to hunting and sporting firearms was presented. Pursuant to Rule 12(6) and (7), the petition was found to be irregular and therefore was not read and received.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass legislation to protect the rights of firearms owners.

(Sessional Paper No. 133)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

APRIL 22, 1996

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 75), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 33).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Scott: That Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Natural Resources Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Aldridge, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Scott: That Bill No. 54—An Act respecting Conservation Easements and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantfoer, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983—be now read a second time.

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

APRIL 22, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Health.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it continued its consideration of the Estimates for Health.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Highways and Transportation.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Justice.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:31 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 23, 1996
(36th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson, D'Autremont.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 78—An Act to enable Northern Municipalities to Name Airports within their boundaries

(Mr. Belanger)

APRIL 23, 1996

According to Order, the following Bill was read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills:

Bill No. 03—An Act to Amend The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Act

(Mr. Whitmore)

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 5), it was moved by Ms. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Murray:

That this Assembly commend the Saskatchewan government's funding priority in the March 28 budget for post-secondary education and training; and that this Assembly condemns the Federal Liberal government's attack on students through their Canada Health and Social Transfer (CHST) and UIC cuts.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Ms. Julé, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the words "Assembly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

condemns the provincial government for failing to accept responsibility for post-secondary education and training in our province, and for continuing to blame the federal government for a situation that is wholly under the control of the provincial government.

The debate continuing, on the motion and the amendment, and the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 9

Osika
McPherson
Julé

McLane
Belanger
Krawetz

Draude
Bjornerud
Gantfoer

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NAYS – 21

Wiens	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Pringle
Koenker	Trew	Bradley
Lorje	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Jess	Murrell	Thomson

The question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 22

Wiens	MacKinnon	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Kowalsky
Pringle	Koenker	Trew
Bradley	Lorje	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Jess	Murrell
Thomson		

NAYS – 9

Osika	McLane	Draude
McPherson	Belanger	Bjornerud
Julé	Krawetz	Gantefoer

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:50 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 24, 1996
(37th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Belanger, McPherson, D'Autremont.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to challenge the implementation of Bill C-68, the federal firearms legislation

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 55)

Moved by Hon. Mr. Renaud: That Bill No. 61—An Act respecting the Practices of Professional Engineering and Professional Geoscience and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

APRIL 24, 1996

Moved by Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 55—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Pension Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 63—An Act respecting the Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 64—An Act respecting Pensions for Public Employees—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 65—An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

APRIL 24, 1996

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The University of Regina Act

On the following Bills progress was reported:

Bill No. 3—An Act respecting The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology

Bill No. 5 —An Act to amend The Education Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Energy and Mines. Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 134)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 135)

APRIL 24, 1996

By the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Power Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 136)

Orders-in-Council and Regulations Enacted Under *The Water Power Act* for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 137)

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Research Council Employees' Pension Plan for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 138)

Annual Report and Financial Statements (unaudited) of the South Saskatchewan River Irrigation District No. 1 for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 139)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of SaskEnergy Incorporated for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 140)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Water Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 141)

By the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 142)

By the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Agricultural Credit Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 143)

Thursday, April 25, 1996
(38th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass legislation to protect the rights of firearms owners.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 133)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 76 and 77), they were answered. (See Appendix).

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider resolutions for Interim Supply.

APRIL 25, 1996

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

That a sum not exceeding six hundred and seventy-eight million, and ninety-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997.

A debate arising, progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Scott: That Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Natural Resources 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Scott: That Bill No. 54—An Act respecting Conservation Easements and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 61—An Act respecting the Practices of Professional Engineering and Professional Geoscience and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Amend subsection (1) of Clause 2 of the printed Bill by striking out clause (b) and substituting the following:

(b) “appointed councillor” means a councillor who is appointed pursuant to section 10 or subsection 68(3) or who is continued in office pursuant to subsection 68(2).

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

APRIL 25, 1996

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Amend Clause 57 of the printed Bill by striking out “clause 2(d.1)” and substituting “clause 2(1)(d.1)”.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 27—An Act respecting Architects

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 61—An Act respecting the Practices of Professional Engineering and Professional Geoscience and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Film and Video Classification Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:01 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, April 26, 1996
(39th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 79—An Act to amend The Members' Conflict of Interest Act respecting the definition of "family"

(Mr. Toth)

APRIL 26, 1996

The Minister having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 80—An Act to amend The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act
(Hon. Mr. Scott)

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider resolutions for Interim Supply.

The Committee resumed debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

That a sum not exceeding six hundred and seventy-eight million, and ninety-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997.

The debate continuing, progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:37 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, April 29, 1996
(40th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Bjornerud, Julé, Gantfoer, Aldridge, Draude, Belanger, Osika.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

With unanimous consent, the Assembly observed a minute of silence in remembrance of workers killed or injured in the course of their employment.

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, the 1996 Spring Report of the Provincial Auditor.

(Sessional Paper No. 145)

The Order of the day being called for Question (No. 78), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 34).

APRIL 29, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider resolutions for Interim Supply.

The Committee resumed debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

That a sum not exceeding six hundred and seventy-eight million, and ninety-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 32

Romanow	Mitchell	Wiens
MacKinnon	Shillington	Atkinson
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Whitmore
Goulet	Kowalsky	Calvert
Koenker	Scott	Teichrob
Nilson	Serby	Stanger
Murray	Langford	Wall
Sonntag	Murrell	Aldridge
McLane	Draude	McPherson
Belanger	Bjornerud	Julé
Krawetz	Gantefoer	

NAYS – 00

On motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1997 the sum of six hundred and seventy-eight million, and ninety-one thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

The said resolutions were reported, read twice and agreed to, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

APRIL 29, 1996

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 81—An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Year ending on March 31, 1997—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 55, the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon: That Bill No. 55—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Pension 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Finance.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it continued consideration of the Estimates for Finance.

The Committee then considered Estimates for Intergovernmental Affairs.

The Committee then considered Estimates for Women's Secretariat.

The Committee then considered Estimates for Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

APRIL 29, 1996

The Assembly adjourned at 10:27 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Pension Plan for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 144)

By the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 146)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Growth Fund Management Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 147)

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Association:
College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 112)

Tuesday, April 30, 1996
(41st Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantefoer, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

2:22 p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed His Honour:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed several Bills which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which Bills I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

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The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the Bills that had been passed severally as follows:

- 6 An Act to amend The Community Bonds Act
- 13 An Act to amend The Department of Social Services Act
- 14 An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Income Plan Act
- 34 An Act to amend The Electrical Inspection Act, 1993
- 37 An Act to amend The Water Corporation Act
- 22 An Act to amend The Radiation Health and Safety Act, 1985 and to make Related Amendments to The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993
- 15 An Act to amend The Child and Family Services Act
- 32 An Act to amend The Local Government Election Act
- 35 An Act to amend The SaskEnergy Act

- 40 An Act respecting Pharmacists and Pharmacies
- 41 An Act to amend The Mental Health Services Act
- 50 An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act, 1993 and to make a consequential amendment
- 12 An Act to amend The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act and to enact consequential amendments
- 4 An Act to amend The University of Regina Act
- 27 An Act respecting Architects

- 61 An Act respecting the Practices of Professional Engineering and Professional Geoscience and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: “In Her Majesty’s name, I assent to these Bills.”

The Speaker then said:

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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly has voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service. In the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour the following Bill, to which Bill I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent:

81 An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Year ending on March 31, 1997

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I thank the Legislative Assembly, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

2:25 p.m.

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly agreed to proceed to Private Members' Public Bills and Orders—Second Readings, Item 15, and then revert to Seventy-five Minute Debate.

Moved by Mr. Belanger: That Bill No. 78—An Act to enable Northern Municipalities to Name Airports within their boundaries—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Renaud, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for the following Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Mr. Thomson, seconded by Ms. Murrell:

That this Assembly encourage Saskatchewan businesses, workers and communities to continue to work together with the Government to achieve the goals outlined in the Partnership for Growth.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

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The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 6), it was moved by Mr. McPherson, seconded by Mr. McLane:

That this Legislative Assembly condemn the government for the ongoing closures of long-term and acute care hospital beds across rural and urban Saskatchewan as this contributes to the loss of accessible health care for all people of this province and causes the health care professionals to seek employment elsewhere.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Langford, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 1, 1996
(42nd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Minister having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 82—An Act respecting Health Facilities

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

MAY 1, 1996

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the Annual Report of the Provincial Ombudsman for the year ended December 31, 1995 and Annual Report of the Children's Advocate for the period ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 148)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to the Member for Saskatoon Northwest from Friday, May 10, 1996 to Friday, May 17 1996 inclusive, to attend the 8th Commonwealth Parliamentary Seminar in Hong Kong on behalf of this Assembly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to the Member for Redberry Lake from Wednesday, May 8, 1996 to Friday, May 24, 1996 inclusive, to attend the Commonwealth Parliamentary Visit at Westminster on behalf of this Assembly.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 79), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 80), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 35).

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Municipal Board 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

MAY 1, 1996

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 39—An Act to Promote, Develop and Sustain Irrigation—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 28

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	MacKinnon
Shillington	Tchorzewski	Whitmore
Goulet	Lautermilch	Kowalsky
Calvert	Koenker	Trew
Lorje	Teichrob	Nilson
Cline	Serby	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Jess	Flavel
Thomson		

NAYS – 9

Osika	Aldridge	McLane
Draude	Bjornerud	Krawetz
Boyd	Heppner	Goohsen

The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Serby: That Bill No. 17—An Act to amend certain Acts respecting Highways and Vehicles—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

MAY 1, 1996

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

MAY 2, 1996

Thursday, May 2, 1996
(43rd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Members Belanger, Draude, Heppner, Jess, Koenker, Murrell, Sonntag, Ward and Whitmore be constituted a Special Committee to consider every Regulation filed with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly pursuant to the provisions of *The Regulations Act, 1989*, with a view to determining whether the special attention of the Assembly should be drawn to any of the said Regulations on any of the following grounds:

1. that it imposes a charge on the public revenues or prescribes a payment to be made to any public authority not specifically provided for by statute;

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2. that it is excluded from challenge in the court;
3. that it makes unusual or unexpected use of powers conferred by statute;
4. that it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent statute confers no express authority so to provide;
5. that it has been insufficiently promulgated;
6. that it is not clear in meaning;

That the Committee have the assistance of the Legislative Counsel and Law Clerk in reviewing the said Regulations, and that it be required, prior to reporting that the special attention of the Assembly be drawn to any Regulation, to inform the government department or authority concerned of its intention so to report; and

That the Committee be empowered to invite any regulation-making authority to submit a memorandum explaining any regulation which may be under consideration by the Committee or to invite any regulation-making authority to appear before the Committee as a witness for the purpose of explaining any such Regulation; and

That the Committee be empowered to review the bylaws of professional associations and amendments thereto to determine whether or not they are in any way prejudicial to the public interest.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Bylaws of the professional associations and amendments thereto Tabled during previous Legislatures and not ratified by the committee and the bylaws and amendments as Tabled in the present Session be referred to the Special Committee on Regulations.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 81), pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to a Return (No. 36) by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 149)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 82), pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to a Return (No. 37) by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 150)

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 70—An Act to amend The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 72—An Act to amend The Northern Municipalities Act and to make a consequential amendment to another 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Film and Video Classification Act, it was moved by Ms. Julé:

Amend clause 6 of the Printed Bill by deleting clause 6(1.1)(b) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:

(b) by adopting an approval, prescription or prohibition previously given to the advertising by any body recognized in the regulations.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS – 10

Osika
Bjornerud
Gantfoer
Goohsen

Draude
Julé
D'Autremont

Belanger
Krawetz
Toth

NAYS – 25

Van Mulligen
Johnson
Upshall
Calvert
Bradley
Nilson
Langford
Sonntag
Thomson

Shillington
Goulet
Kowalsky
Pringle
Scott
Serby
Wall
Jess

Atkinson
Lautermilch
Renaud
Koenker
Teichrob
Hamilton
Ward
Murrell

Clause 14 was agreed to, on Division.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Film and Video Classification Act

Bill No. 57—An Act to repeal The Police Pension (Saskatoon) Funding Act

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 17—An Act to amend certain Acts respecting Highways and Vehicles

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

MAY 2, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, May 3, 1996
(44th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Mr. Johnson, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills, presented the Second Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee has considered the following Bills and has agreed to report the same without amendment:

Bill No. 01 – An Act Respecting St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon

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Bill No. 02 – An Act Respecting Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan

Bill No. 03 – An Act to Amend The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Act

Bill No. 04 – An Act to Amend An Act incorporating Luther College, Regina

Your Committee recommends, under the provision of Rule 66, that fees be remitted less the cost of printing with respect to Bill Nos. 01, 02, 03 and 04.

Your Committee recommends to the Legislative Assembly that Rule 64 respecting time limits for the filing of petitions and Private Bills be suspended in order that petitioners for a Private Bill respecting the TD Trust Company may proceed with their petition and Bill during the current session.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Goohsen:

Ordered, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills be now concurred in.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 83), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 58—An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: That Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Tax Enforcement Act and to make a consequential amendment to The Provincial Mediation Board 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

MAY 3, 1996

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 74—An Act to amend The Government Organization Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

On the following Bills progress was reported:

Bill No. 24—An Act respecting the Prescription of Pharmaceutical Agents and Contact Lenses

Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Natural Resources Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Labour.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:58 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, May 6, 1996
(45th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 83—An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions Act
(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 84 and 85), they were answered. (See Appendix).

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 47—An Act to amend The Agri-Food Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantfoer, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 48—An Act to amend The Animal Identification Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Belanger, adjourned.

The Hon. Mr. Shillington, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Crop Insurance Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Belanger, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wiens: That Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Crown Corporations Act, 1993—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 58—An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

MAY 6, 1996

During consideration of Bill No. 36—An Act to amend or repeal Miscellaneous Statutes concerning Municipal Government, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Strike out Clause 8 of the printed Bill and substitute the following:
R.S.S. 1978, c.H-9 amended

8(1) *The Hospital Revenue Act* is amended in the manner set forth in this section.

(2) Section 5 is amended by striking out “The Minister of Urban Affairs” and substituting “Subject to subsection 12(1) of *The Assessment Management Agency Act*, the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency”.

(3) Section 6 is amended:

(a) in subclause (a)(i) by adding “, if it has been prepared, or if no equalized assessment has been prepared, on the total taxable assessment of the municipality as confirmed by the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency for the next preceding year” after “preceding year”; and

(b) in subclause (a)(ii) by adding “, if it has been prepared, or if no equalized assessment has been prepared, on the total taxable assessment of the municipality as confirmed by the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency in that portion of the municipality for the next preceding year” after “preceding year”.

Amend *Clause* 16 of the printed Bill:

(a) in subsection (1) by striking out “subsection (2)” and substituting “subsections (2) and (3)”; and

(b) by adding the following subsection after subsection (2):

(3) Section 8 of this Act comes into force on assent, but is retroactive and is deemed to have been in force on and from January 1, 1996.

The amendments were agreed to.

MAY 6, 1996

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 24—An Act respecting the Prescription of Pharmaceutical Agents and Contact Lenses

Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Natural Resources Act

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 36—An Act to amend or repeal Miscellaneous Statutes concerning Municipal Government

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

The Committee recessed from 5:08 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it then considered the Estimates for Health.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Economic Development.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:17 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7, 1996
(46th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

During Oral Question Period, the Speaker requested Mr. Gantefoer to withdraw unparliamentary language. Mr. Gantefoer refused to withdraw the words after the Speaker asked him to do so repeatedly.

Whereupon, Mr. Gantefoer was finally named by the Speaker as follows:

"Mr. Gantefoer, pursuant to Rule 31 I hereby name you for disregarding the authority of the chair."

Mr. Gantefoer then withdrew from the Chamber.

MAY 7, 1996

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 84—An Act to amend The Wascana Centre Act
(Hon. Ms. Crofford)

Bill No. 85—An Act to amend The Meewasin Valley Authority Act
(Hon. Mr. Mitchell)

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 01—An Act Respecting St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon

Bill No. 02—An Act Respecting Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan

Bill No. 03—An Act to Amend The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Act

Bill No. 04—An Act to Amend An Act incorporating Luther College, Regina

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No.7), it was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Wall:

That this Assembly support the efforts of the Saskatchewan businesses who are attempting to establish international business contacts through many efforts, including that of the recent trade mission to the Pacific Rim, which will improve the province's economy and create jobs.

MAY 7, 1996

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 25

Van Mulligen	Wiens	Shillington
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Upshall
Pringle	Koenker	Trew
Bradley	Cline	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Murrell	Thomson
Draude	Belanger	Bjornerud
Krawetz		

NAYS – 00

Mr. Van Mulligen raised a point of order that the Hon. Mr. Wiens did not vote from his own seat during the Recorded Division on Private Members' Motion (No. 7). The Deputy Speaker ruled the point of order well taken and ruled the vote of the Hon. Mr. Wiens to be invalid.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 8), it was moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Belanger:

That this Legislative Assembly condemn the government for neglecting northern Saskatchewan and, furthermore, for failing to provide any substantial initiatives and objectives to stimulate community and economic development in the northern regions of Saskatchewan.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Sonntag, seconded by Ms. Stanger, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "Assembly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

affirm its support for the people of northern Saskatchewan who, together with the government, have been working to create new opportunities for job creation and community development.

The debate continuing, the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on Division.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to on Division.

MAY 7, 1996

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Upshall:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:56 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8, 1996
(47th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson, Haverstock.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 86—An Act to amend The Municipal Revenue Sharing Act

(Hon. Ms. Teichrob)

Bill No. 87—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act
(No. 2)

(Hon. Mr. Lautermilch)

MAY 8, 1996

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 86 and 87), they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 88), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 38).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Osika, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 82—An Act respecting Health Facilities—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Aldridge, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983, it was moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

Amend clause 4 of the Printed Bill by adding immediately after the words “Subsection 48(2) is repealed” where they occur therein the words “and the following is substituted therefor:

(2) The minister shall, within 21 days of the date of his or her decision, cause that decision to be published in Part I of the Gazette”.

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS – 11

Osika	Aldridge	McLane
Draude	McPherson	Belanger
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Toth	Heppner	

NAYS – 26

Wiens	MacKinnon	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Johnson	Upshall
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Trew	Bradley	Scott
Teichrob	Cline	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Murrell	Thomson	

Moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

Amend clause 7 of the Printed Bill by adding immediately after the words “Section 60 is repealed” where they occur therein the words “and the following is substituted therefor:

60 Within 21 days of the receipt of the decision of the minister concerning a development plan or amendment, the municipality shall publish a notice of that decision in Part I of the Gazette, and shall, within 10 days after the publication, forward a copy of the notice to the minister”.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 11

Osika	Aldridge	McLane
Draude	McPherson	Belanger
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Toth	Heppner	

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NAYS – 24

Wiens	MacKinnon	Shillington
Johnson	Upshall	Kowalsky
Crofford	Renaud	Calvert
Pringle	Koenker	Trew
Bradley	Scott	Teichrob
Cline	Serby	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Kasperski
Ward	Murrell	Thomson

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:03 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 9, 1996
(48th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Belanger, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson, Haverstock.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to urge the Department of Social Services to reconsider the decision to reduce the Parent Education and Support Programs.

(Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 88—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act
(Hon. Mr. Cline)

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Bill No. 89—An Act to amend The Dependants' Relief Act
(Hon. Mr. Cline)

Bill No. 90—An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board
Act
(Hon. Mr. Cline)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 89, 90, 91, 92 and 93), they were answered. (See Appendix).

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

On the following Bills progress was reported:

Bill No. 70—An Act to amend The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board Act

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

MAY 9, 1996

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Group Life Insurance Fund for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 152)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Dental Fund for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 153)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Disability Income Fund for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 154)

Friday, May 10, 1996
(49th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to allow an increase in the security deposits on rental properties.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 116)

MAY 10, 1996

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

With respect to the next item on the Order Paper, the Speaker finds it necessary to make a statement. I would like to preface this ruling with a reminder to Members that it is the duty of the Speaker to refuse to propose the question on any motion which is irregular. This is clearly established in the parliamentary authorities.

The next item on the Order Paper is the proposed motion of the Member for Saltcoats to move First Reading of a Bill to repeal The Service Districts Act. Members will be aware that already on the Order Paper is Bill No. 33, An Act respecting Service Districts and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, Short title: The Service Districts Act. There being no existent Service Districts Act as part of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, the Speaker must conclude that the proposed legislation of the Member for Saltcoats is operable only if Bill No. 33 is passed by the Legislative Assembly.

I point out that the title of a Bill is required to reflect the purposes of the Bill, and should cover everything in the Bill. Therefore, in this case, it is not necessary for the Speaker to see the actual contents of the proposed legislation in order to determine its object. The object of the bill proposed by the Member for Saltcoats, as clearly established by the title, is to negate Bill No.33 if it were to pass into law. In effect the first reading motion is an expanded negative, the object of which could be achieved more directly by voting against Bill No. 33. The principle here is the same as that more commonly observed for amendments to motions: An amendment which would produce the same result as if the original motion were simply negated is out of order. Consequently, in accordance with the practice of this Assembly, such a motion cannot be proposed from the Chair. Therefore, I find the motion for First Reading of a Bill to repeal The Service Districts Act to be out of order and I direct its removal from the Order Paper.

The Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 87—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act (No. 2)—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Osika, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 72—An Act to amend The Northern Municipalities Act and to make a consequential amendment to another Act

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The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Energy and Mines. Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:50 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, May 13, 1996
(50th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, Aldridge, Belanger.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 91—An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1990

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections

(Hon. Mr. Shillington)

MAY 13, 1996

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 88—An Act to amend The Queen’s Bench Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Aldridge, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 89—An Act to amend The Dependants’ Relief Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 90—An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 47—An Act to amend The Agri-Food 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter: That Bill No. 48—An Act to amend The Animal Identification 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Crop Insurance 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

MAY 13, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act, it was moved by Ms. Draude:

Amend clause 3 of the Printed Bill by striking out the words “, including the development and operation of research and development parks,” where they occur in section 16 as being enacted therein.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 6		
Osika	Aldridge	Draude
Belanger	Krawetz	Gantefoer

NAYS – 24		
Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Wiens
Lingenfelter	Shillington	Atkinson
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Goulet
Kowalsky	Renaud	Calvert
Koenker	Bradley	Cline
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson

The question being put on clause 5, it was agreed to, on Division.

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 53—An Act to amend The Snowmobile Act

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed, on Division:

Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act

MAY 13, 1996

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it then considered the Estimates for Finance.

The Committee then consider the Estimates for Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14, 1996
(51st Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, pursuant to section 222(1) of *The Election Act*, a report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Annual Fiscal Returns of Registered Political Parties in Saskatchewan for the period January 1, 1995 to December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 156)

MAY 14, 1996

The Order of the Day being called for the following Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner:

That this Assembly urges the government to confirm its commitment to retain provincial control of the enforcement of federal Bill C-68 and its regulations, to administer these laws and regulations in the interests of Saskatchewan people and to act on behalf of responsible Saskatchewan gun owners by acting singly or participating with other provinces in a court challenge of federal firearms regulations.

A debate arising, and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired pursuant to Rule 17(5), the Speaker interrupted proceedings.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 9), it was moved by Ms. Julé, seconded by Mr. Belanger:

That this Assembly condemn the government for its lack of commitment to the young people of this province for failing to provide and properly fund adequate youth rehabilitation facilities that are in drastic need due to increasing social problems facing the young people of Saskatchewan.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:56 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Financial Information of the Transportation Partnerships Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 155)

Wednesday, May 15, 1996
(52nd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 93—An Act respecting the Public Disclosure of Information related to Individuals who Pose a Significant Risk of Serious Harm to Other Persons

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

MAY 15, 1996

Leave of the Assembly having been granted, pursuant to Rule 46, it was moved by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. Heppner:

That this Assembly join with the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) in calling on the federal government to honour its 1991 commitment to treat Specific Land Claims in an equivalent manner to Treaty Land claims and to provide 22.5 times the previous years taxes on any land purchased under Specific Land Claims, and further, that this Assembly transmit transcripts of the debate on this motion to Prime Minister Chretien and federal Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin for their consideration.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to *nemine contradicente*, on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 41

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	MacKinnon
Lingenfelter	Shillington	Atkinson
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Goulet
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Trew	Bradley	Lorje
Teichrob	Nilson	Stanger
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Ward	Sonntag
Flavel	Thomson	Osika
Aldridge	McLane	Draude
McPherson	Bjornerud	Julé
Krawetz	Gantefoer	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 00

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 94), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 40).

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 95), it was answered. (See Appendix)

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The Order of the Day being called for Motions for Returns (Not Debatable) (No. 39), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) classification.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Power 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch: That Bill No. 87—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act (No. 2)—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983, it was moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

Amend clause 16 of the Printed Bill by striking out the words “or on the minister’s own initiative” where they occur in subsection 187(3) as being enacted in clause (b) thereof and substituting the words “the minister shall”.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS – 11

Osika	Aldridge	Draude
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantfoer	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 22

Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Shillington
Atkinson	Tchorzewski	Johnson
Goulet	Lautermilch	Kowalsky
Crofford	Pringle	Koenker
Trew	Lorje	Teichrob
Nilson	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Sonntag
Thomson		

The question being put on clause 24, it was agreed to, on Division.

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed, on Division:

Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

MAY 15, 1996

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Statement of Facts Concerning Guarantees Implemented under The
Community Bonds Act

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 113)

Thursday, May 16, 1996
(53rd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called, it was moved by Mr. Goohsen that—a Bill to amend The Labour Standards Act—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was negatived, on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 10

Osika
Draude
Gantefoer
Goohsen

Aldridge
Bjornerud
D'Autremont

McLane
Krawetz
Heppner

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NAYS – 30

Romanow	Van Mulligen	Mitchell
MacKinnon	Shillington	Atkinson
Tchorzewski	Johnson	Lautermilch
Upshall	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Trew	Bradley	Lorje
Scott	Nilson	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Kasperski	Sonntag
Flavel	Murrell	Thomson

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly, addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156—Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Annual Fiscal Returns of Registered Political Parties in Saskatchewan for the period January 1, 1995 to December 31, 1995.

Before Orders of the Day, the Government House Leader, the Hon. Mr. Shillington, raised a point of order stating that certain questions asked in Question Period respecting Sask Power were out of order on the grounds that the matter was before a legislative committee. Mr. Speaker reserved his ruling.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 96), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 97), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 41).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 83—An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

MAY 16, 1996

The Hon. Mr. Nilson, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 93—An Act respecting the Public Disclosure of Information related to Individuals who Pose a Significant Risk of Serious Harm to Other Persons—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 58—An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 88—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 74—An Act to amend The Government Organization Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

Bill No. 89—An Act to amend The Dependants' Relief Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

MAY 16, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Saskatchewan Water Corporation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Annual Report of the Public and Private Rights Board for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 157)

Report of *The Family Farm Credit Act* dated February 14, 1996.

(Sessional Paper No. 158)

Report of *The Crown Administration of Estates Act* dated February 14, 1996.

(Sessional Paper No. 159)

By the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Report of *The Agri-Food Innovation Fund Act* for the fiscal year 1994-95.

(Sessional Paper No. 160)

MAY 16, 1996

By the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Liquor Board Superannuation Commission for the year ended December 31, 1994.

(Sessional Paper No. 161)

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations:

Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation

Law Society of Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 112)

Friday, May 17, 1996
(54th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Aldridge, McLane, Draude.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday the Government House Leader raised a point of order respecting the procedural acceptability of several oral questions about SaskPower policies and amendments to the SaskPower Act that are currently before the House. Citations from Beausnesne and May were quoted to support the contention that questions may not seek information about proceedings in a committee which has not reported (Beausnesne's 5th ed., page 133, paragraph 360) and questions may not refer to the consideration of matters by a parliamentary committee. (Erskine May 21st ed., p.290)

These citations, however, are not applicable to the circumstances of this case where the annual reports and financial statements of crown corporations stand permanently referred to a standing committee of the Assembly, the Crown Corporations Committee. This is not a case where a specific issue has been referred to a committee for investigation and report. A parallel situation occurred yesterday in the House of Commons where oral questions dealt at some length with the issue of a Revenue Canada ruling on family trusts while the Public Accounts Committee was holding hearings on the same matter.

MAY 17, 1996

It is not the practice of this Assembly to use the grounds that all corporations may be reviewed by the Crown Corporations Committee to restrict all oral questions in the House on Crown Corporations. On the contrary, procedures in the Crown Corporations Committee restrict Members from debating policy matters in that Committee. It has long been the rule that the proper place to debate the policy of a crown corporation is in the House. Crown corporations are frequently the subject not only of oral questions but of written questions, motions, returns and in some instances questions in Committee of Finance.

One reason there is some confusion about this matter is that it is common for Ministers to advise Members to ask such questions in the relevant standing Committee or in Committee of the Whole or Committee of Finance. And it is procedurally quite acceptable for the Minister to answer in that way. However, that does not in itself make the questions out of order.

The second part of the point of order was that oral questions dealing with legislation currently before the House are not in order in Oral Question Period. It is true that oral questions relating to specific clauses and details of a bill may be ruled out of order as such questions may be more appropriately addressed in Committee of the Whole. But it has never been the practice to prevent oral questions from dealing with the principle of a bill or the public policy matters reflected in it. If such questions were prohibited, it would make it possible for Members to prevent a sensitive issue from being raised in Question Period merely by introducing a bill related to the matter and letting it sit on the Order Paper.

I have carefully reviewed the transcript from Thursday's Question Period and find that both the questions and the answers were in order. The questions themselves addressed matters of policy and are most appropriate to be asked in Question Period and thus the point of order is not well taken.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 98), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch: That Bill No. 87—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act (No. 2)—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 3—An Act respecting The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology

MAY 17, 1996

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 48—An Act to amend The Animal Identification Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Intergovernmental Affairs.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$4,049,000 for Intergovernmental Affairs (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$615,000 for Intergovernmental Relations (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 1:07 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m., pursuant to Rule 3(5).

Tuesday, May 21, 1996
(55th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Belanger, Bjornerud, Julé, Gantfoer, Aldridge, Lorje.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to allow an increase in the security deposits on rental properties.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 116)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 94—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act
(Hon. Ms. MacKinnon)

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Bill No. 95—An Act to amend The Labour-sponsored Venture Capital Corporations Act

(Hon. Ms. MacKinnon)

Bill No. 96—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Pension Plan Act

(Hon. Ms. MacKinnon)

Bill No. 97—An Act to amend The Department of Agriculture Act

(Hon. Mr. Upshall)

Bill No. 111—An Act to amend The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act

(Hon. Mr. Shillington)

Bill No. 112—An Act to amend The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Act

(Hon. Mr. Shillington)

Bill No. 113—An Act respecting Wascana Energy Inc.

(Hon. Mr. Shillington)

Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

The following Bills were received, read the first time, and, by leave of the Assembly, referred to the Standing Committee on Non-controversial Bills: / Le projets de loi qui suivant ont été reçus et lu la première fois et, suivant l'autorisation de l'Assemblée, ils ont été renvoyés au Comité permanent des projets de loi non controversés:

Bill No. 98—An Act respecting the Application to Saskatchewan of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction / Projet de loi No. 98—Loi concernant l'application à la Saskatchewan de la Convention sur les aspects civils de l'enlèvement international d'enfants

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Bill No. 99—An Act respecting Co-operatives / Projet de loi No. 99—Loi concernant les coopératives

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 100—An Act respecting the Regulation of Drivers and Traffic on Saskatchewan Highways / Projet de loi No. 100—Loi concernant la réglementation de la conduite automobile et de la circulation sur les routes de la Saskatchewan

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 101—An Act respecting Wills / Projet de loi No. 101—Loi concernant les testaments

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 102—An Act respecting the Distribution of Estates of Intestates / Projet de loi No. 102—Loi concernant le partage des successions non testamentaires

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 103—An Act respecting Powers of Attorney / Projet de loi No. 103—Loi concernant les procurations

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 104—An Act to facilitate the Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments and Awards / Projet de loi No. 104—Loi relative à la loi visant à faciliter l'exécution réciproque des jugements et des sentences arbitrales

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 105—An Act respecting the Application in Saskatchewan of the United Nations Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards / Projet de loi No. 105—Loi concernant l'application en Saskatchewan de la Convention des Nations Unies pour la reconnaissance et l'exécution des sentences arbitrales étrangères

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

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Bill No. 106—An Act respecting the Maintenance of Dependants of Testators and Intestates / Projet de loi No. 106—Loi concernant l'aide aux personnes à charge des testateurs et des intestats

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 107—An Act respecting the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders / Projet de loi No. 107—Loi concernant l'exécution réciproque des ordonnances alimentaires

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

Bill No. 108—An Act to amend The Change of Name Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 108—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur le changement de nom

(Hon. Mr. Cline / L'hon M. Cline)

Bill No. 109—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 109—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les services de l'état civil

(Hon. Mr. Cline / L'hon M. Cline)

Bill No. 110—An Act to amend The Education Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 110—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

(Hon. Mr. Shillington / L'hon M. Shillington)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 99), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 42).

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 10), it was moved by Mr. Wall, seconded by Ms. Murray:

That this Assembly affirm its support for the Personal Injury Protection Plan, which places increasing emphasis on rehabilitation services for accident victims.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, in amendment thereto:

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That all the words after the word "Assembly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

strongly urge the government to reverse its decision to take away the rights and freedoms of individuals through the Personal Injury Protection Plan, and further recognize the hardship this policy has caused to many Saskatchewan families and seniors, and urge the government to take immediate steps to address this problem while keeping increased rehabilitation services for those in need.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, and the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 4		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner		

NAYS – 29		
Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Lingenfelter
Johnson	Upshall	Kowalsky
Pringle	Koenker	Trew
Bradley	Teichrob	Cline
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Flavel	Murrell	Thomson
Aldridge	Belanger	Bjornerud
Julé	Gantefoer	

The debate continuing on the motion and the question being put, it was agreed to, on Division.

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The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 11), it was moved by Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont:

That this Assembly condemn the government for its Crown Construction Tendering Agreement (CCTA) which demonstrates unfair preference for unionized contractors and which moves government away from the principle of contracting with the lowest qualified bidder, hence driving up the costs of government borne by taxpayers, and further demand the government immediately cancel this agreement and instead implement a policy in which all government construction tendering projects are awarded to the lowest qualified contractor, whether union or non-union.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Thomson, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 12), it was moved by Ms. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Kowalsky:

That this Assembly affirm its support of the work done by SUMA, SARM, SSTA, and SAMA in updating and reforming the taxation system to reflect a fair and equitable base for local government taxation.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Kowalsky, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 22, 1996
(56th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to urge the Department of Social Services to reconsider the decision to reduce the Parent Education and Support Programs.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 115—An Act to establish Regional Telephone Districts
(Mr. Gantefoer)

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The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 100 and 101), pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (Nos. 44 and 45).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Scott: That Bill No. 80—An Act to amend The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Ms. Crofford, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 84—An Act to amend The Wascana Centre Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Shillington, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 85—An Act to amend The Meewasin Valley Authority Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Scott: That Bill No. 54—An Act respecting Conservation Easements and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 48—An Act to amend The Animal Identification Act

Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Crop Insurance Act

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Education.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

Annual Report of the Women's Secretariat for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 162)

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By the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

Annual Report and Consolidated and Non-Consolidated Financial Statements of Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 163)

By the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Liquor Board Superannuation Commission for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 164)

By the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Tourism Authority for the year ended September 30, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 165)

By the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Workers' Compensation Board Superannuation Plan for the year ended December 31, 1994.

(Sessional Paper No. 166)

Thursday, May 23, 1996
(57th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Toth.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 102), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 46).

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 103 and 104), they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Motions for Returns (Not Debatable) (No. 43), it was transferred to the Motions for Returns (Debatable) classification.

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Osika, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3(1), this Assembly sit this evening from 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Justice.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Women's Secretariat.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$901,000 for Women's Secretariat (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 91—An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1990—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly made this day.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 88—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

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The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 90—An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act

Bill No. 83—An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions Act

Bill No. 93—An Act respecting the Public Disclosure of Information related to Individuals who Pose a Significant Risk of Serious Harm to Other Persons

Bill No. 58—An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Justice.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 11:15 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

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Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Recommendation of the Public Documents Committee under *The Archives Act* respecting Records Retention and Disposal schedules as follows:

- 329 – Department of the Government of Saskatchewan, Commissions, Boards, Bureaus or other Branches of the Public Service of Saskatchewan
- 330 – Saskatchewan Government Insurance
- 331 – Environment and Resource Management - Fisheries Branch
- 332 – Department of Justice - Sheriff's Office
- 333 – Department of Agriculture and Food - Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation
- 334 – Department of Finance - Public Employees Benefits Agency
(Sessional Paper No. 167)

Friday, May 24, 1996
(58th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to close the Swift Current Care Centre.

(Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Estimates (Subvotes LG01 - LG06) for the Legislative Assembly, being Vote 21, and the Estimates for the Provincial Auditor, being Vote 28, be withdrawn from the Committee of Finance and referred to the Standing Committee on Estimates.

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The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 105), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 47).

The following Motion was, by leave of the Assembly, withdrawn:

That this Assembly, notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, do observe a daily meeting time on Thursdays from 1:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. with a recess from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., beginning May 23, 1996, and ending upon prorogation of session of the Legislative Assembly.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Mitchell: That Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 17—An Act to amend certain Acts respecting Highways and Vehicles, it was moved by Mr. Toth:

Amend clause 7 of the printed Bill by deleting clause 67(3)(f) as being enacted therein.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by Ms. Draude:

Amend clause 31 of the Printed Bill:

(a) by adding immediately after clause 78.2(1)(a) as being enacted therein the following new clause:

(a.1) being a person 16, 17 or 18 years of age, drove a motor vehicle having consumed any quantity of alcohol;

(b) by repealing subsection 78.2(7) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:

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- (7) An order of suspension issued pursuant to clause (2)(a)
 - (a) with respect to reasonable grounds based on clause (1)(a), (b) or (c), expires 30 days from the date of the order of suspension; and
 - (b) with respect to reasonable grounds based on clause (1)(a.1), expires 6 months from the date of the order of suspension.
- (c) by repealing subsection 78.2(9) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:
 - (9) An order of disqualification issued pursuant to clause (2)(b) or (c):
 - (a) with respect to reasonable grounds based on clause (1)(a), (b) or (c), expires 30 days from the date of the order of disqualification; and
 - (b) with respect to reasonable grounds based on clause (1)(a.1), expires 6 months from the date of the order of disqualification.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 6

Aldridge
Krawetz

McLane
Gantfoer

Draude
Toth

NAYS – 19

Van Mulligen
Johnson
Renaud
Lorje
Murray
Ward
Thomson

Shillington
Upshall
Calvert
Serby
Langford
Sonntag

Anguish
Kowalsky
Trew
Hamilton
Kasperski
Murrell

Moved by Ms. Draude:

Clause 38 of the Printed Bill is amended by deleting the words “on proclamation” where they appear in subsection (1) thereof and substituting the following words therefor:

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upon consideration and acceptance by the Committee of the Whole of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly of regulations proposed pursuant to this Act.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5

Aldridge
Krawetz

McLane
Gantfoer

Draude

NAYS – 17

Van Mulligen
Johnson
Renaud
Lorje
Murray
Murrell

Shillington
Upshall
Calvert
Serby
Kasperski
Thomson

Anguish
Kowalsky
Trew
Hamilton
Ward

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed, on Division:

Bill No. 17—An Act to amend certain Acts respecting Highways and Vehicles

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Highways and Transportation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 1:00 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

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The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

Financial Statements of the Social Services Central Trust Account for the year ended March 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 169)

Monday, May 27, 1996
(59th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

I draw to the attention of Members that until recently this Assembly had two bills with substantially the same purpose on the Order Paper: Bill No. 56 – An Act to Protect the Public from Convicted Pedophiles, under the name of the Leader of the Opposition and Bill No. 93 – An Act respecting the Public Disclosure of Information related to Individuals who Pose a Significant Risk of Serious Harm to Other Persons under the name of the Attorney General. Both bills have the object of providing for the public identification of individuals convicted of certain offences.

According to Erskine May, (Twenty-first Edition, p.468)

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There is no rule or custom which restrains the presentation of two or more bills relating to the same subject, and containing similar provisions. But if a decision of the House has already been taken on one such bill, for example, if the bill has been given or refused a second reading, the other is not proceeded with if it contains substantially the same provisions...

I would also direct Members to rulings of the Chair of this Assembly of May 17, 1990, May 9, 1994 and June 1, 1994 on the "same question rule" in respect to bills. It was ruled that once the Assembly has given or refused second reading on one bill, the Speaker then must prevent any further consideration of the other bill.

Bill No. 93 received second reading on May 16th and third reading on May 23rd. Consequently, it is necessary that Bill No. 56 be removed from the Order Paper.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 106), pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) (No. 48).

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 107), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Hon. Mr. Scott, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 20—An Act respecting the Management of Forest Resources—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Interpretation Act, 1995 and to enact a related amendment / L'hon. M. Cline propose: Que le projet de loi No. 21—Loi modifiant la Loi d'interprétation de 1995 et édictant une modification corrélative—soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting. / Il s'élève un débat et la motion, mise aux voix, est adopté et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déferé à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

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The Hon. Mr. Shillington, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 86—An Act to amend The Municipal Revenue Sharing Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Shillington, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 97—An Act to amend The Department of Agriculture Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Krawetz, adjourned.

The Hon. Mr. Shillington, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 113—An Act respecting Wascana Energy Inc.—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Cline, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefoer, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

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On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Energy and Mines.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it continued consideration of the Estimates for Energy and Mines.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Saskatchewan Water Corporation.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Saskatchewan Research Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$7,886,000 for Saskatchewan Research Council (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Finance.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 28, 1996
(60th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Mr. Speaker, as Chair of the Standing Committee on Communication, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee has considered the recommendations of the Public Documents Committee, under *The Archives Act*, contained in Retention and Disposal Schedules comprising Sessional Paper No. 167 including Schedule No. 329 – Departments of the Government of Saskatchewan, Commissions, Boards, Bureaus or Other Branches of the Public Service of Saskatchewan; Schedule No. 330 – Saskatchewan Government Insurance; Schedule No. 331 – Environment and Resource Management; Schedule No. 332 – Department of Justice - Sheriff's Office; Schedule No. 333 – Department of Agriculture and Food - Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation; Schedule No. 334 – Department of Finance - Public Employees Benefits Agency, tabled this First Session of the Twenty-Third Legislature and referred to the Committee by the Assembly on May 23, 1996.

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Your Committee recommends to the Assembly that the recommendations of the Public Documents Committee on Schedule Nos. 329 to 334 be accepted.

Your Committee also reviewed the Report of the Legislative Library for the period ending March 31, 1992.

On motion of Ms. Murray, seconded by Mr. Krawetz:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Communication be now concurred in.

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 116—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act respecting the taxation of Saskatchewan Indians off-reserve
(Mr. Toth)

2:29 p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed His Honour:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed several Bills which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which Bills I respectfully request your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the Bills that had been passed severally as follows:

- 51 An Act to amend The Film and Video Classification Act
- 57 An Act to repeal The Police Pension (Saskatoon) Funding Act
- 24 An Act respecting the Prescription of Pharmaceutical Agents and Contact Lenses

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- 49 An Act to amend The Natural Resources Act
- 36 An Act to amend or repeal Miscellaneous Statutes concerning Municipal Government
- 01 An Act Respecting St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate St. Paul's Hospital (Grey Nuns) of Saskatoon
- 02 An Act Respecting Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan, being An Act to Amend and Consolidate An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity (Grey Nuns) of Saskatchewan
- 03 An Act to Amend The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Act
- 04 An Act to Amend An Act incorporating Luther College, Regina
- 53 An Act to amend The Snowmobile Act
- 8 An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation Act
- 73 An Act to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1983
- 74 An Act to amend The Government Organization Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
- 89 An Act to amend The Dependents' Relief Act
- 3 An Act respecting The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology
- 48 An Act to amend The Animal Identification Act
- 60 An Act to amend The Crop Insurance Act
- 90 An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act
- 83 An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions Act
- 93 An Act respecting the Public Disclosure of Information related to Individuals who Pose a Significant Risk of Serious Harm to Other Persons
- 58 An Act to amend The Land Titles Act and to make a consequential amendment
- 17 An Act to amend certain Acts respecting Highways and Vehicles

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His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I assent to these Bills."

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

2:33 p.m.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 108), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for the following Motion for a Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was moved by Ms. Lorje, seconded by Mr. Kasperski:

That this Assembly support the important work being done by small business in the province to create jobs, and improve the economy, particularly such as tourism, value-added processing and manufacturing.

A debate arising, it was moved by Ms. Draude, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer, in amendment thereto:

That all the words following "That this Assembly support the important work being done by small business in the province to create jobs, and improve the economy" be deleted and the followingsubstituted therefor:

by all small businesses and further, that this Assembly encourage the government to remove the roadblocks facing small business in Saskatchewan such as stifling taxation, restrictive labour legislation, over-regulation and unfair tendering policies such as the CCTA, which are hindering business growth and economic development in the province.

The debate continuing, and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to Rule 17(5), the Speaker interrupted proceedings.

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The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 13), it was moved by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. Heppner:

That this Assembly acknowledges statements made by the Minister of Health regarding his taking no responsibility for health decisions in the province of Saskatchewan and instead, abdicating this responsibility to local District Health Boards; and whereas the Minister of Finance could directly fund the District Health Boards and the Minister of Justice could directly oversee the Canada Health Act, thus making the Health portfolio redundant, urge the government to eliminate the Minister of Health position.

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

The Hon. Mr. Shillington asked leave to proceed to Government Orders. Unanimous consent was not granted.

The Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 14), it was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Jess:

That this Assembly register its opposition to the recent Alberta proposal to circumvent the Canadian Wheat Board, thereby undermining the single desk marketing of Canadian grains to the world.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Jess, adjourned.

The Hon. Mr. Shillington asked leave to proceed to Government Orders. Unanimous consent was not granted.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 15), it was moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Bjornerud:

That this Assembly encourage the government to fully implement a regional telephone exchange system throughout the Province of Saskatchewan.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Kowalsky, adjourned.

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Government Orders.

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The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education Act, it was moved by Mr. Krawetz:

Amend clause 9 of the printed Bill by deleting subsection 198(9) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:

(9) Where a board of education of a conseil scolaire, as the case may be, engages the services of a replacement teacher for a third complete academic year, that teacher is deemed to have been employed under an indefinite contract pursuant to subsection 200(1) from the first day of the teacher's engagement as a replacement teacher.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negated, on Division.

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Education Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Education.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$542,737,000 for Education (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:32 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 29, 1996
(61st Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, Aldridge, Belanger.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Ms. Draude, as Chair of the Standing Committee on Non-controversial Bills, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee considered the following Bills and agreed to report the same as being non-controversial: / Suite à son étude des projets de loi qui suivent, le Comité a convenu de faire rapport de leur nature non controversée:

Bill No. 98—An Act respecting the Application to Saskatchewan of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction /
Projet de loi No. 98—Loi concernant l'application à la Saskatchewan de la Convention sur les aspects civils de l'enlèvement international d'enfants

Bill No. 99—An Act respecting Co-operatives / Projet de loi No. 99—Loi concernant les coopératives

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- Bill No. 100—An Act respecting the Regulation of Drivers and Traffic on Saskatchewan Highways / Projet de loi No. 100—Loi concernant la réglementation de la conduite automobile et de la circulation sur les routes de la Saskatchewan
- Bill No. 101—An Act respecting Wills / Projet de loi No. 101—Loi concernant les testaments
- Bill No. 102—An Act respecting the Distribution of Estates of Intestates / Projet de loi No. 102—Loi concernant le partage des successions non testamentaires
- Bill No. 103—An Act respecting Powers of Attorney / Projet de loi No. 103—Loi concernant les procurations
- Bill No. 104—An Act to facilitate the Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments and Awards / Projet de loi No. 104—Loi relative à la loi visant à faciliter l'exécution réciproque des jugements et des sentences arbitrales
- Bill No. 105—An Act respecting the Application in Saskatchewan of the United Nations Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards / Projet de loi No. 105—Loi concernant l'application en Saskatchewan de la Convention des Nations Unies pour la reconnaissance et l'exécution des sentences arbitrales étrangères
- Bill No. 106—An Act respecting the Maintenance of Dependents of Testators and Intestates / Projet de loi No. 106—Loi concernant l'aide aux personnes à charge des testateurs et des intestats
- Bill No. 107—An Act respecting the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders / Projet de loi No. 107—Loi concernant l'exécution réciproque des ordonnances alimentaires
- Bill No. 108—An Act to amend The Change of Name Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 107—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur le changement de nom
- Bill No. 110—An Act to amend The Education Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 110—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

Your Committee considered the following Bill and agreed to report the same as being controversial: / Suite à son étude du projet de loi qui suit, le Comité a convenu de faire rapport de son nature controversée:

- Bill No. 109—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 109—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les services de l'état civil

The Ministers, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bills, recommends them to the consideration of the Assembly: / Les Ministres fait savoir à l'Assemblée que Son Honneur le Lieutenant gouverneur, ayant été informé de l'objet des projets de loi, dans chaque cas, les recommande à la considération de l'Assemblée:

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- Bill No. 99— An Act respecting Co-operatives / Projet de loi No. 99—Loi concernant les coopératives
- Bill No. 100—An Act respecting the Regulation of Drivers and Traffic on Saskatchewan Highways / Projet de loi No. 100—Loi concernant la réglementation de la conduite automobile et de la circulation sur les routes de la Saskatchewan
- Bill No. 101—An Act respecting Wills / Projet de loi No. 101—Loi concernant les testaments
- Bill No. 110—An Act to amend The Education Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 110—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

Second Reading and consideration in Committee of the Whole having been waived, pursuant to Rule 55(3), the following Bills were read the third time and passed: / L'Assemblée s'étant renoncée, aux termes du paragraphe 55(3) du Règlement, à la deuxième lecture et à l'étude en Comité plénier des projets de loi qui suivent, ceux-ci sont lus la troisième fois et adopté:

- Bill No. 98— An Act respecting the Application to Saskatchewan of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction / Projet de loi No. 98—Loi concernant l'application à la Saskatchewan de la Convention sur les aspects civils de l'enlèvement international d'enfants
- Bill No. 99— An Act respecting Co-operatives / Projet de loi No. 99—Loi concernant les coopératives
- Bill No. 100—An Act respecting the Regulation of Drivers and Traffic on Saskatchewan Highways / Projet de loi No. 100—Loi concernant la réglementation de la conduite automobile et de la circulation sur les routes de la Saskatchewan
- Bill No. 101—An Act respecting Wills / Projet de loi No. 101—Loi concernant les testaments
- Bill No. 102—An Act respecting the Distribution of Estates of Intestates / Projet de loi No. 102—Loi concernant le partage des successions non testamentaires

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- Bill No. 103—An Act respecting Powers of Attorney / Projet de loi No. 103—Loi concernant les procurations
- Bill No. 104—An Act to facilitate the Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments and Awards / Projet de loi No. 104—Loi relative à la loi visant à faciliter l'exécution réciproque des jugements et des sentences arbitrales
- Bill No. 105—An Act respecting the Application in Saskatchewan of the United Nations Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards / Projet de loi No. 105—Loi concernant l'application en Saskatchewan de la Convention des Nations Unies pour la reconnaissance et l'exécution des sentences arbitrales étrangères
- Bill No. 106—An Act respecting the Maintenance of Dependants of Testators and Intestates / Projet de loi No. 106—Loi concernant l'aide aux personnes à charge des testateurs et des intestats
- Bill No. 107—An Act respecting the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders / Projet de loi No. 107—Loi concernant l'exécution réciproque des ordonnances alimentaires
- Bill No. 108—An Act to amend The Change of Name Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 107—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur le changement de nom
- Bill No. 110—An Act to amend The Education Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 110—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

The following Bill was placed on the Orders of the Day for Second Reading: / Le projet de loi qui suit est inscrit à l'ordre du jour aux fins de la deuxième lecture:

- Bill No. 109—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 109—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les services de l'état civil

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The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 117—An Act to Enable the Recovery of Funds Stolen by Members of the Legislative Assembly (The House Internal Economy Fraud/"THIEF")

(Mr. Osika)

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, the Report of the Provincial Auditor on the 1995 Financial Statements of CIC Subsidiary Crown Corporations dated May 1996.

(Sessional Paper No. 170)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 109), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 94—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 95—An Act to amend The Labour-sponsored Venture Capital Corporations Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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The Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 96—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Pension Plan Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Wiens: That Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Crown Corporations Act, 1993—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 88—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 55—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Pension Act

Bill No. 65—An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act

Bill No. 64—An Act respecting Pensions for Public Employees

Bill No. 63—An Act respecting the Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund

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The Committee was given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That this Assembly, notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, do observe an evening sitting time on Wednesday, May 29, 1996 from 7:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it considered the Estimates for Finance.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:38 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 30, 1996
(62nd Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Ms. Hamilton, Chair of the Standing Committee on Estimates presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee considered the Estimates of the *Provincial Auditor* and adopted the following resolutions:

Main Estimates, 1996-97:

1. Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the following sums:

For Provincial Auditor	\$	4,288,000.
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2. Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1997, the sum of three million, two hundred and sixteen thousand dollars be granted out of the General Revenue Fund.

Your Committee considered the Estimates of the *Legislative Assembly* and adopted the following resolutions:

Main Estimates, 1996-97:

1. Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the following sum:

For Legislation \$ 4,853,000.

2. Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1997, the sum of three million, six hundred and forty thousand dollars be granted out of the General Revenue Fund.

Your Committee recommends that upon concurrence of its report by the Assembly, the sums as reported and approved shall be included in the next Appropriation Bill for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

On motion of Ms. Hamilton, seconded by Ms. Draude:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Estimates be now concurred in.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 110), it was answered. (See Appendix)

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The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Crown Corporations Act, 1993, it was moved by Mr. Aldridge:

Amend clause 4 of the Printed Bill by deleting the clause and substituting the following:

4 Subsection 6(1) is amended by adding the following clause after clause (p):

(p.1) subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, amalgamate with a subsidiary Crown corporation.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 6

Osika	Aldridge	Draude
Belanger	Bjornerud	Gantefoer

NAYS – 26

MacKinnon	Shillington	Anguish
Atkinson	Johnson	Goulet
Lautermilch	Upshall	Kowalsky
Calvert	Pringle	Bradley
Teichrob	Nilson	Cline
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Ward	Sonntag	Jess
Flavel	Thomson	

Moved by Mr. Aldridge:

Amend clause 7 of the Printed Bill by deleting subsection 45.1(2) as being enacted therein and by renumbering subsequent subsections (3) and (4) as subsections (2) and (3) respectively.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

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YEAS – 6

Osika
Belanger

Aldridge
Bjornerud

Draude
Gantfoer

NAYS – 25

MacKinnon
Atkinson
Lautermilch
Renaud
Bradley
Cline
Langford
Sonntag
Thomson

Shillinton
Johnson
Upshall
Calvert
Teichrob
Serby
Wall
Jess

Anguish
Goulet
Kowalsky
Pringle
Nilson
Stanger
Ward
Flavel

The question being put on clause 8, it was agreed to, on Division.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 88—An Act to amend The Queen’s Bench Act

Bill No. 91—An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1990

Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Crown Corporations Act, 1993

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 111— An Act to amend The Teachers’ Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act—be now read a second time

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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The Hon. Ms. Atkinson, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 112—An Act to amend The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 109—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act, 1995—be now read a second time. / L'hon M. Cline propose: Que le projet de loi No. 109—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les services de l'état civil—soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting. / Il s'élève un débat et la motion mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déferé à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Scott: That Bill No. 20—An Act respecting the Management of Forest Resources—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, May 31, 1996
(63rd Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Hon. Mr. Shillington asked leave to move a motion. Unanimous consent was not granted.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Kowalsky:

That this Assembly, notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, do observe a daily meeting time Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. with a recess from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., except on Fridays, when this Assembly shall meet from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a recess from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., and ending upon prorogation of this session of the Legislative Assembly.

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A debate arising, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 1:00 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Monday, June 3, 1996
(64th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Belanger, Bjornerud, Julé, Gantfoer, Draude, Aldridge, McPherson, Pringle.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 118—An Act to amend The Trust and Loan Corporations Act

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

JUNE 3, 1996

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

That this Assembly, notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, do observe a daily meeting time Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. with a recess from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., except on Fridays, when this Assembly shall meet from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a recess from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., and ending upon prorogation of this session of the Legislative Assembly.

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

The debate being resumed, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations

Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers

Saskatchewan Psychological Association

Saskatchewn Association of School Business Officials

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 112)

Tuesday, June 4, 1996
(65th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson, Haverstock.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to urge the Department of Social Services to reconsider the decision to reduce the Parent Education and Support Programs.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

JUNE 4, 1996

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

On May 28, 1996, Bill No. 116, An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act respecting the taxation of Saskatchewan Indians off-reserve (The Education and Health Tax Amendment Act, 1996) was introduced by the Member for Moosomin. This bill is presently standing on the Order Paper for Second Reading. I direct Members to the Second Readings heading under Private Members' Public Bills and Orders in Supplement No. 8, which you received today.

It is the Speaker's duty to review all bills in respect to Rule 36 of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*. This rule states, in part, that any bill which proposes to impose any new or additional charge upon the public revenue or upon the people, must be first recommended by the Lieutenant Governor before it is considered by the Assembly. The principle underlying this rule is fundamental to our constitution. Because the executive of government is held strictly accountable for all public expenditure, it must also be solely responsible for initiating legislation involving the imposition of new or additional charges upon the public revenue, or upon the people through taxation.

The question to be addressed here is whether Bill No. 116 contravenes the parliamentary principle of the Crown initiative in financial matters. Bill No. 116 seeks to repeal an exemption from the taxation provisions contained in The Education and Health Tax Act granted to Aboriginals living off reserves. The effect of this bill will be to increase the incidence of taxation and thereby create additional revenue for the Crown.

I refer Members to Beauchesne's, 6th edition, in paragraph 601, where it is stated that "The recommendation of the Crown is needed for such measures as bills relating to ... the repeal of an exemption from an existing duty, as the burden of the duty is thereby augmented". Therefore, I find that Bill No. 116 requires a recommendation from the Lieutenant Governor.

Because Bill No. 116 requires a recommendation, and because the Member for Moosomin is not a member of the Executive Council, I must rule that the said bill is out of order and will be removed from the Order Paper.

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 111), it was answered. (See Appendix)

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The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No.16), it was moved by Ms. Draude, seconded by Mr. Gantefer:

That this Assembly condemn the Government for its policy of off-loading its financial difficulties onto the municipal governments, the district health boards and their affiliates, and the school boards; and rather that this Assembly call upon the government to face its financial difficulties by creating a business and economic climate in the province which would foster and encourage real economic growth which, in turn, would produce a tax base capable of enabling the government to effectively deal with its financial difficulties and, at the same time, meet its responsibilities in the fields of health, education, social services and municipal services.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Gantefer, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Kowalsky, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the House do now proceed to Motions for Returns (Debatable).

The Assembly gave leave to have another Member of the same caucus move the motions standing in the name of another Member.

Moved by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 1) showing:

Regarding Health District Boards across the province: (1) According to the Provincial Auditor's audited statements of each health board, the number of health district boards that ran deficits in the 1994/95 fiscal year. (2) According to the Provincial Auditor's figures the number of health districts that ran deficits in the 1993/94 fiscal year. (3) The number of health districts that expect to run deficits in the 1996/97 fiscal year. (4) Whether you plan to honour the former Health Minister's commitment to provide our caucus copies of the Provincial Auditor's audited statements for each health district.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Kowalsky, in amendment thereto:

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That the words "Operating Fund and Capital Fund" be added after the word "ran" in parts (1) and (2), and after the word "run" in part (3).

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 1) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 171.

Moved by Mr. Toth on behalf of Mr. Goohsen, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 2) showing:

Regarding former employee Ms. Chandra Prasad: (1) The reason Ms. Chandra Prasad received a severance of \$25,900 after resigning from the position of Junior Protocol Officer after working for the Provincial Secretary's office for nine months. (2) The one that approved Ms. Prasad's severance. (3) The formula that was used to determine the amount of severance received by Ms. Prasad.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 2) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 172.

Moved by Mr. Toth on behalf of Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 3) showing:

Regarding the approximately 12,000 farmers who received Gross Revenue Insurance Program (GRIP) bills from the government: (1) The number of the approximately 12,000 farmers who received GRIP bills from the government have paid these bills to date. (2) The rate of interest the government is charging for those producers who are late in paying these bills. (3) The amount of the largest GRIP bill sent out by the Government to an individual farmer.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall, in amendment thereto:

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That part (3) be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

(3) The range of the largest GRIP bills sent out by the Government to farmers.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 3) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 173.

Moved by Mr. Toth on behalf of Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 4) showing:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskPower: (1) The amount SaskPower has collected in additional revenue from Saskatchewan homeowners since the 12 percent rate increase took effect January 1, 1996. (2) The amount SaskPower has collected in additional revenue from Saskatchewan farm customers since the almost 13 percent increase took effect January 1, 1996. (3) The total amount of additional revenue collected from SaskPower rate increases since January 1, 1992 to date.

The question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No.4) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 174.

Moved by Mr. Heppner, seconded by Mr. Bjornerud: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 5) showing:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) A list of all public sector job classifications that are not gender-neutral. (2) If there are any, why a gender distinction is made. (3) If pay equity is negotiated with the public sector unions, the procedures that will be used to evaluate the work value of gender specific jobs. (4) In negotiating pay equity in the public service, whether the government will identify jobs which tend to be held by one gender. (5) The criteria for judging the gender tendencies of a given job classification.

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A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 5) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 175.

Moved by Mr. Aldridge, seconded by Ms. Draude: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 6) showing:

Regarding the Executive Council's Order of September 6th 1995 authorizing the Crown Investments Corporation to borrow \$100 million dollars: (1) The specific purposes this borrowing was authorized for (2) Whether the purpose or purposes behind this borrowing helped create any jobs and is so, the number. (3) The reason this borrowing was over and above what the Department of Finance had anticipated for the Crown Investments Corporation in the 1995/96 Budget. (4) The terms of the financing obtained.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 6) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 176.

Moved by Ms. Draude on behalf of Mr. Belanger, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 7) showing:

To the Minister responsible for Indian and Metis Affairs: (1) The percentage of the department's last budget that has been spent on administration and staff. (2) The number of grant allocations that are being awarded to Indian organizations and the grant amounts. (3) The number of grant allocations that are being awarded to Metis organizations and the grant amounts. (4) Of the grant amounts allocated, the number that are awarded north of the 54th parallel to Indian organizations as well as south of the 54th parallel. (5) Of the grant amounts allocated, the number that are awarded north of the 54th parallel to Metis organizations as well as south of the 54th parallel.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Goulet, in amendment thereto:

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That parts (4) and (5) be deleted.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 7) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 177.

Moved by Mr. Heppner on behalf of Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. Goohsen: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 8) showing:

(1) Whether a reduction in the Provincial Sales Tax is being considered. (2) If so, when will it be implemented. (3) Whether this proposed reduction will be brought in the next budget. (4) The amount that the PST will be reduced. (5) Whether such a reduction will be instituted equally throughout the province or whether provisions will be made for the special competitive situations of border communities.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 8) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 178.

Moved by Mr. Aldridge, seconded by Mr. McPherson: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 9) showing:

Regarding the Crown Investments Corporation (CIC): (1) The names of all corporations under CIC's direct or indirect control on which Mr. Don Ching serves as a director. (2) The amounts of remuneration he receives as a result of these directorships. (3) The dates on which the appointment or appointments were made.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 9) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 179.

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Moved by Mr. McPherson, seconded by Ms. Draude: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 10) showing:

Regarding SaskPower: (1) The number of industrial class customers that have negotiated rate reductions with the company since the Government allowed it to go ahead with power rate increases on January 1st of this year. (2) The total value of those rate reductions.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by Mr. McLane on behalf of Mr. Aldridge, seconded by Ms. Draude: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 11) showing:

Regarding Mr. Donald Ching's service as a Director of SaskTel's subsidiaries LCL Cable and East Midlands Cable Group of the United Kingdom: (1) Whether Mr. Ching received all of the 25,000 pounds sterling that was annually paid to SaskTel by LCL or the East Midlands Cable Group for his services as a director. (2) If Mr. Ching received only a portion of this money, the specific annual amount. (3) The amount Mr. Ching received for travelling and lodging expenses incurred in serving as a director while SaskTel owned the company. (4) Whether the fees or expenses paid were done so on top or as part of his base salary as CEO of the Crown Investments Corporation. (5) Whether Mr. Ching was appointed to this position by his own authority as CEO of CIC or whether he was appointed on the authority of someone else. (6) If so, the person who made this appointment.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Wiens, in amendment thereto:

That parts (3) and (4) be deleted, and renumber parts (5) and (6) as (3) and (4), respectively.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 11) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 180.

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Moved by Mr. McLane on behalf of Mr. Aldridge, seconded by Ms. Draude: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 12) showing:

Regarding the New Careers Corporation: (1) The number of projects which New Careers placed its clients during 1995. (2) The names and descriptions of those projects. (3) The locations of those projects.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 12) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 181.

Moved by Mr. McLane on behalf of Ms. Draude, seconded by Mr. McPherson: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 13) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Public Service Commission:
(1) The number of individuals currently employed by the Government of Saskatchewan. (2) The number of those employees that are full-time. Part-time. (3) The number of those employees that are permanent. Temporary. Casual or contract. (4) The number of those employees that are in-scope. Out of scope. (5) The number of positions that are currently vacant. (6) The average salary in each of the departments. (7) The manager to staff ratio in each department.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

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Moved by Mr. McLane on behalf of Ms. Draude, seconded by Mr. Aldridge: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 14) showing:

To the Premier, regarding political staff and appointments: (1) The number of individuals currently employed by the Government of Saskatchewan as a result of political appointments. (2) The average salary for these political appointments. (3) The total number of ministerial assistants currently employed by Cabinet Ministers. (4) The average salary for these ministerial assistants.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 14) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 182.

Moved by Mr. Belanger, seconded by Ms. Julé: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 15) showing:

To the Minister responsible for SaskPower: (1) The average increase, in percentage terms, of Northern Saskatchewan Power Bills since the January 1, 1996 rate hike. (2) Whether there has been any consultation with business and consumer groups in the north with regards to the subsequent impact of these power hikes on the already high power bills. (3) Whether there are any public awareness plans in place now to assist homeowners and other SaskPower customers on ways to reduce excessive power use in the north. (4) What SaskPower is doing to address the constant power failures that occur in northern Saskatchewan. (5) In terms of the long-distance power must travel to bring services to the people of the north, the percentage of power loss that is incurred over these long distances. (6) The reason the people of the north pay higher power rates as the rest of Saskatchewan when they receive a lower quality and quantity of services.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 15) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 183.

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Moved by Mr. Krawetz on behalf of Mr. Osika, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 16) showing:

To the Honourable Minister of Justice and Attorney General: (1) The annual salary of the Senior Crown Prosecutor, who is employed at the North Battleford Crown Prosecutor's Office and who was suspended with pay on October 25, 1995 arising from the investigation surrounding the Robert Latimer case in North Battleford. (2) The amount the said Senior Crown Prosecutor has earned since he was suspended with pay. (3) The length of time the said Senior Crown Prosecutor will remain on suspension with pay.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 16) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 184.

Moved by Mr. Krawetz on behalf of Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Ms. Julé: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 17) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation: (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1995-96. (2) The Crown Construction Tendering Agreement that was in place at that time and the total amount that would have been subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Jess, in amendment thereto:

That part (2) be deleted.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 17) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 185.

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Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Item 39, Return No. 41.

Moved by Ms. Draude, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 41) showing:

To the Minister responsible for Executive Council: (1) The number of government funded tenders that were awarded to union-only firms in the fiscal year 1995/96. (2) The total dollar value of these tenders. (3) The number of government funded tenders that were awarded to non-union firms in the fiscal year 1995/96. (4) The total dollar value of these tenders.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 41) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 186.

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly reverted to Item 18, Return No. 18.

Moved by Mr. Gantfoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 18) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation: (1) The estimated amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity for the fiscal year 1996-97. (2) Of that estimated total the amount that is estimated to be subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

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Moved by Mr. Krawetz on behalf of Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Ms. Draude: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 19) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1995-96. (2) The Crown Construction Tendering Agreement that was in place at that time and the total amount that would have been subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 19) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 187.

Moved by Mr. Krawetz on behalf of Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Ms. Draude: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 20) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) The estimated amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity for the fiscal year 1996-97. (2) Of that estimated total the amount that is estimated to be subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Ms. Draude: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 21) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1995-96. (2) The Crown Construction Tendering Agreement that was in place at that time and the total amount that would have been subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Kasperski, in amendment thereto:

That part (2) be deleted.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

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Return (No. 21) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 188.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 22) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) The estimated amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity for the fiscal year 1996-97. (2) Of that estimated total the amount that is estimated to be subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 23) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1995-96. (2) The Crown Construction Tendering Agreement that was in place at that time and the total amount that would have been subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Ward, in amendment thereto:

That part (2) be deleted.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was negatived.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 24) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) The estimated amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity for the fiscal year 1996-97. (2) Of that estimated total the amount that is estimated to be subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

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Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 25) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1995-96. (2) The Crown Construction Tendering Agreement that was in place at that time and the total amount that would have been subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Whitmore, in amendment thereto:

That part (2) be deleted.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was negatived.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 26) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) The estimated amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity for the fiscal year 1996-97. (2) Of that estimated total the amount that is estimated to be subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 27) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1995-96. (2) The Crown Construction Tendering Agreement that was in place at that time and the total amount that would have been subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Ms. Murray, in amendment thereto:

That part (2) be deleted.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 27) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 189.

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Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 28) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) The estimated amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity for the fiscal year 1996-97. (2) Of that estimated total the amount that is estimated to be subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 29) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1995-96. (2) The Crown Construction Tendering Agreement that was in place at that time and the total amount that would have been subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Ms. Lorje, in amendment thereto:

That part (2) be deleted.

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 29) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 190.

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. McLane: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 30) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) The estimated amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity for the fiscal year 1996-97. (2) Of that estimated total the amount that is estimated to be subject to the CCTA.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

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Moved by Mr. Heppner, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 31) showing:

To the Minister responsible for Public Service Commission. Regarding employees and positions cut in the recent budget: (1) The total number of jobs and/or positions eliminated in the recently delivered provincial budget. (2) The breakdown of the number of jobs lost by branch, department or arm of government. (3) The breakdown of jobs by department and community, as well as the total payroll lost per community as a result of these eliminations. (4) The percentage of total jobs in each community that the elimination of these positions represent.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Renaud, in amendment thereto:

That part (4) be deleted.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 31) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 191.

Moved by Ms. Draude on behalf of Mr. McLane, seconded by Ms. Julé: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 32) showing:

To the Minister of Agriculture: Regarding the closure of eight crop insurance offices: (1) Whether there are leases for crop insurance offices that were closed in February in the towns of Wilkie, Kyle, Wynyard, Carnduff, Outlook, Melfort, Canora, and Wolseley. (2) If so, who holds the leases. (3) The cost incurred in the termination of the lease at each of the said offices. (4) Since the Rural Service Centre Extension Offices in Leader, Kamsack, Melfort, and Fort Qu'Appelle are to be closed immediately, the date for termination of leases for those Rural Service Centre Extension Offices. (5) The costs that will be associated with the termination of these lease agreements.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

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Return (No. 32) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 192.

Moved by Mr. D'Autremont on behalf of Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 33) showing:

To the Minister of Justice: Regarding Public Notification Process for released sex offenders: (1) The number of meetings that the Minister has held and/or attended regarding implementing "public notification process" in the Province of Saskatchewan. (2) Those who were in attendance at these meetings. (3) The number of other notification processes from other jurisdictions that have been studied to date. (4) The number of provinces that have a public notification process in place presently.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by Mr. Heppner on behalf of Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 34) showing:

To the Minister of Finance: Regarding Order-in-Council 243/96, please provide the following information: (1) Whether the assurances that were given to the Johnsons regarding their eligibility for Saskatchewan tax credits were given verbally or in writing. (2) The name and/or position of the government official who gave the erroneous assurances. (3) The Saskatchewan venture capital corporation that was involved in the investment from the Johnsons. (4) Whether any other investors were given erroneous assurances with reference to investing in the Saskatchewan venture capital corporation. (5) Whether any other investors were given erroneous assurances with regards to any other Saskatchewan venture capital corporation or any other tax-credit eligible investment. (6) Whether similar compensation has been paid to other investors and, if so, the total amount of such payments over the past year.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

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Moved by Mr. D'Autremont on behalf of Mr. Goohsen, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 35) showing:

To the Minister Responsible for Agriculture: Regarding Rural Service Centres/Ag Service Centres: (1) The total number of inquiries the Rural Service Centres received in 1995. (2) The number of inquiries each Rural Service Centre received individually in 1995. (3) The number of inquiries received in 1995 by the Centres that the government proposes to close. (4) The furthest distance a producer in rural Saskatchewan will have to travel in order to reach the nearest Rural Service Centre once the closures take place. (5) Whether there is a formula and/or distance cap that has been developed by the Department regarding the amount of travel producers must undertake to reach these Centres.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 35) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 193.

Moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 38) showing:

To the Minister responsible for SGI: (1) The number of claims SGI has received as a result of deer damage to vehicles in the fiscal year 1996. (2) The number of claims that have been settled. (3) The total estimated expense to settle the claims made in the fiscal year 1996.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

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The Order of the Day being called for Return (No. 40), standing in the name of Ms. Haverstock, it was by leave, moved by Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 40) showing:

To the Minister of Health: (1) Whether an individual diagnosed with fourth-stage Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Syndrome (MCS) can obtain treatment in Canada and the location. (2) Whether out-of-province patients are accepted if treatment is available in Canada but outside of Saskatchewan. (3) The nearest treatment centre if treatment for fourth-stage MCS is not available in Canada. (4) Whether the costs associated with such treatment are covered by Saskatchewan Medicare.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return (No. 40) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 194.

Moved by Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 39) showing:

All correspondence between the Department of Economic Development and the Minister of Economic Development regarding the Crown Construction Tendering proposal including the analysis prepared by the Department prior to this policy being introduced.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division

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Moved by Mr. Heppner on behalf of Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 42) showing:

To the Minister Responsible for Economic Development. Regarding the analysis prepared by the Economic Development Department prior to the introduction of the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement: (1) Whether the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement proposal was clearly identified to be a "union-preference" policy. (2) According to the analysis, the costs of the Crown projects that were expected to increase as a result of this policy. (3) Whether the analysis stated that this proposal would force non-union contractors to subsidize union contractors. (4) Whether the Department of Economic Development recommended against the proposed Crown Construction Tendering Agreement.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negated, on Division.

Moved by Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 44) showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Crown Investments Corporation: (1) The Crown projects contracted pursuant to the terms of the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement in the past year and the cost of each contract. (2) The Crown projects contracted outside the terms of Crown Construction Tendering Agreement in the past year and the cost of each contract.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negated, on Division.

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Moved by Mr. Bjornerud on behalf of Ms. Julé, seconded by Mr. Krawetz: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 45) showing:

To the Minister responsible for Saskatchewan Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat. Regarding the employment of First Nations People in the Public Sector: (1) The number of First Nations People that are employed by the Government of Saskatchewan. (2) A breakdown of the departments, sectors and Crown Corporations in which these people work.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Jess, in amendment thereto:

That the words "the Government of Saskatchewan" be deleted and substitute "Executive Government" in part (1), and the words "sectors and Crown Corporations" be deleted in part (2).

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the motion as amended, it was agreed to.

Return (No. 45) was brought down and Tabled by the Hon. Mr. Shillington as Sessional Paper No. 195.

Moved by Mr. Krawetz on behalf of Mr. Osika, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 46) showing:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) The total amount of revenue taken in by the province in fines under the Highway Traffic Act for the year ending March 31, 1996. (2) The percentage of this revenue that was returned to municipal governments. (3) Whether the provincial share of this revenue is targeted to any particular government program or does it all go to general revenue. (4) The dollar amount in fines that were outstanding as of March 31, 1996.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

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Moved by Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 43) showing:

Minister Responsible for SaskPower: Regarding employees Mr. Jack Messer and Ms. Carol Bryant, provide a copy of employment contracts for Mr. Messer and Ms. Bryant including details of salary, perks, car allowances, memberships, travel allowances.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by Mr. Heppner on behalf of Mr. Goohsen, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 47) showing:

Minister Responsible for the Crown Investments Corporation. Regarding the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement (CCTA): (1) The dollar volume of total Crown project work that has come under the CCTA since it was announced on March 3, 1995. (2) The number of CCTA projects, and the total volume, that have been tendered in "urban" areas (ie: population centres over 5,000) where the eligible projects are greater than \$50,000 in size. The number of non-union contractors that have been awarded work on such projects, and the number of non-union employees that have been actually working on these CCTA projects in urban areas. (3) The number of CCTA projects, and the total volume, that have been tendered in "rural" areas where the eligible projects are greater than \$150,000 in size. The number of non-union contractors that have been awarded work on such projects, and the number of non-union employees that have been actually working on these CCTA projects in rural areas. (4) In total, the percentage of all person-years of construction jobs on CCTA - covered projects since March 3, 1995 that have been non-union. (5) As a result of the CCTA's required pro-union hiring sequence, and in light of the limited number of unionized contractors and employees in the province (ie: less than 20% of the entire construction sector), the number of contractors and workers on CCTA projects over the last year that came from out-of-province. (6) On average, compared to similar-sized projects prior to the CCTA, the estimated percentage increase in project costs covered by this Agreement.

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(7) Many unionized contractors who work on Crown projects covered by the CCTA can undertake name hiring whereas non-union contractors under this Agreement cannot, and must accept whoever is sent by the union from their out-of-work list. The number of name-hired, unionized employees that have been working on CCTA projects since the Agreement was announced. (8) The number of unionized employees that have worked on CCTA projects over the past year that have been hired from outside of the major cities of Regina and Saskatoon. The percentage of total unionized labour on CCTA projects that this would represent. (9) The CCTA establishes a new group called the Construction Opportunities Development Council (CODC) to “create, support, and promote programs to continually enhance the unionized construction product.” The names of people on this Council and specifically their activities over the last year. Whether they will be required to soon publicly release an Annual Report of these activities. (10) The Agreement requires every contractor on a CCTA project to pay \$.21/hour/worker in extra fees. An extra \$.05/hour has gone to the Building Trade Union, \$.10/hour has gone to the unionized employer group (CLR) and an extra \$.06/hour has gone to a special fund to finance the work of this new CODC mentioned in the previous question. All of these extra fees are ultimately borne by the Crown Corporations through contract payments. On behalf of the taxpayers of Saskatchewan, the amount of revenue through these extra fees that has been collected under the CCTA since March 3, 1995 for (a) the CLR, (b) the SPBCTA (trade unions), and (c) the CODC Fund. In each of these accounts, how the money has been spent.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

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Aldridge
McPherson
Krawetz

McLane
Belanger
Gantefoer

Draude
Bjornerud

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Johnson	Whitmore	Goulet
Upshall	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Trew	Lorje
Teichrob	Nilson	Murray
Langford	Kasperski	Ward
Jess		

Moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Gantfoer: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 48) showing:

To the Minister of Finance, regarding Order-in-Council 282/96:

(1) The reason the order-in-council was approved on April 30, 1996 when the program ran from April 1, 1995 to March 31, 1996. (2) Whether this money was included in the 1995/96 Saskatchewan Estimates. If not, the reason why. (3) The department which was responsible for providing the \$7 million. (4) The programs which received the \$14 million, and how this money was divided.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 9:53 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 5, 1996
(66th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson, Haverstock.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to urge the Department of Social Services to reconsider the decision to reduce the Parent Education and Support Programs.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

That this Assembly, notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, do observe a daily meeting time Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. with a recess from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., except on Fridays, when this Assembly shall meet from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a recess from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., and ending upon prorogation of this session of the Legislative Assembly.

The debate continuing, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

Annual Report Supplementary Information of the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation for 1994-95.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 59)

Thursday, June 6, 1996
(67th Day)

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to urge the Department of Social Services to reconsider the decision to reduce the Parent Education and Support Programs.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Ms. Lorje, Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented the First Report of the said Committee.

(Sessional Paper No. 196)

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On motion of Ms. Lorje, seconded by Mr. Trew:
Ordered, That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations be now concurred in.

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 119—An Act respecting Regulatory Reform in Saskatchewan

(Mr. Boyd)

The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. Osika, from his place in the Assembly, made a request pursuant to Rule 19 to move a priority of debate motion.

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Earlier today, the Leader of the Opposition provided a notice for “Priority of Debate” to the Office of the Clerk, as is required under Rule 19(2). The notice was accordingly distributed pursuant to the notification provision of the Rule.

Members will be aware that it is the Speaker’s responsibility under Rule 19(5) to determine whether the matter is proper to be discussed and whether the matter should receive urgent consideration over the other business presently on the Order Paper. Having reviewed the Member’s case, I am now prepared to rule on the matter.

The Leader of the Opposition has made a sufficient case to suggest that the matter is of public importance. The question then remains whether the matter is sufficiently urgent for the Assembly to set aside all other business to discuss this matter now. Under Rule 19(5), the Speaker is required to give “regard to the probability of the matter being brought before the House within reasonable time by other means.” This leaves the Speaker’s decision hinged on whether any other ordinary parliamentary opportunity remains available to raise this matter in the foreseeable future. The Speaker finds the argument that the existence of a government motion to extend the sitting hours of the Assembly will impede the ability of the Leader of the Opposition to put his motion on the Order Paper by regular means is not well taken. Nor is it evident to the Speaker that the government motion will dictate when the session shall conclude. If the Leader of the Opposition chooses to give notice of motion tomorrow, there is no reason to believe the matter could not be debated on the next private members’ day. It is the Oppositions’ turn to determine the subject of the first private members’ motion during the next private members’ day which is on Tuesday of next week, three sitting days from today. For this reason it is the Speaker’s decision to deny the request for a “Priority of Debate.”

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

That this Assembly, notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, do observe a daily meeting time Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. with a recess from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., except on Fridays, when this Assembly shall meet from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a recess from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., and ending upon prorogation of this session of the Legislative Assembly.

The debate continuing, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2).

The Assembly adjourned at 5:12 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, June 7, 1996
(68th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Krawetz, Bjornerud, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, the Annual Report on Operations of the Provincial Auditor for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1996.

(Sessional Paper No. 197)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

That this Assembly, notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, do observe a daily meeting time Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. with a recess from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., except on Fridays, when this Assembly shall meet from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a recess from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., and ending upon prorogation of this session of the Legislative Assembly.

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The debate continuing, and the question being put, it was agreed to, on Division.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 118—An Act to amend The Trust and Loan Corporations Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Legislation.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$63,000 for Legislation (Freedom of Information and Privacy Commissioner) (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$1,256,000 for Legislation (Ombudsman and Children's Advocate) (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$1,000 for Legislation (Conflict of Interest Commissioner) (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act, it was moved by Mr. Osika:

Amend clause 3 of the Printed Bill by striking out the words:

if the customer fails to pay, when due, any indebtedness of the customer to the corporation

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where they occur in clause 59(1)(c) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:

when customers are in arrears for more than twenty days in payment of accounts for the supply or service.

The question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by Mr. Osika:

Amend clause 3 of the Printed Bill

(a) by deleting subsection 59(3) as being enacted therein; and

(b) by deleting subsection 59(4) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:

(3) for the purposes of this section, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations governing the entry of premises of the officers and employees of the corporation.

The question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 39—An Act to Promote, Develop and Sustain Irrigation

Bill No. 87—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act (No. 2)

Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 1:33 p.m. until Monday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order made this day.

Monday, June 10, 1996
(69th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Ms. Stanger, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996 (extended sitting hours motion), that this House do observe Routine Proceedings at 1:30 p.m. every sitting day, except for Fridays when Routine Proceedings will occur at 10:00 a.m.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed: / Les projets de loi suivant sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adopté.

Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Interpretation Act, 1995 and to enact a related amendment / Projet de loi No. 21—Loi modifiant la Loi d'interprétation de 1995 et édictant une modification corrélative

Bill No. 113—An Act respecting Wascana Energy Inc.

Bill No. 94—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act

Bill No. 95—An Act to amend The Labour-sponsored Venture Capital Corporations Act

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Bill No. 80—An Act to amend The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act

Bill No. 84—An Act to amend The Wascana Centre Act

Bill No. 85—An Act to amend The Meewasin Valley Authority Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson, D'Autremont.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act—be now read a second time.

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

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 82—An Act respecting Health Facilities—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m, pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Committee considered the Estimates for Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$10,554,000 for Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Energy and Mines.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$15,308,000 for Energy and Mines (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$7,934,000 for Energy and Mines (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Saskatchewan Water Corporation.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 1996

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$4,956,000 for Saskatchewan Water Corporation (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by Mr. Kowalsky, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996 (extended sitting hours motion), that, on Tuesday, June 11, sit for government business from 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. when it do recess until 1:30 p.m.; and that upon reconvening it do observe Routine Proceedings and Orders of the Day.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:16 a.m. until Tuesday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Tuesday, June 11, 1996
(70th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Municipal Board Act, it was moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Amend Clause 7 of the printed Bill:

(a) in subsection 33.2(1) of The Municipal Board Act, as being enacted by that Clause, by adding “all parties to the matter before the board giving rise to the appeal and on” after “appeal on”; and

(b) by striking out section 33.3 of *The Municipal Board Act*, as being enacted by that Clause, and substituting the following:

Stay

33.3 All proceedings under an order, decision or determination appealed from pursuant to section 33.1 may be stayed by the judge hearing the application for leave to appeal, for any time and on any conditions that the judge may determine.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Amend Clause 11 of the printed Bill:

(a) by renumbering it as subsection 11(1); and

(b) by adding the following subsection after subsection (1):

(2) Section 33 of The Municipal Board Act, as that section existed on the day before the coming into force of section 7 of this Act, continues to apply to:

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- (a) cases stated pursuant to that section prior to the coming into force of section 7 of this Act; and
- (b) decisions of the board made before the coming into force of section 7 of this Act.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed: / Les projets de loi suivant sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adopté:

Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Tax Enforcement Act and to make a consequential amendment to The Provincial Mediation Board Act

Bill No. 86—An Act to amend The Municipal Revenue Sharing Act

Bill No. 118—An Act to amend The Trust and Loan Corporations Act

Bill No. 109—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act, 1995 /
Projet de loi No. 109—Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les services de l'état civil

Bill No. 54—An Act respecting Conservation Easements and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Municipal Board Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly recessed from 12:45 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantefoer, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson.

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According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to raise SaskPower rates and freeze any further utility rates.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for the Seventy-five Minute Debate, it was withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being called for Motion (No. 17), it was moved by Mr. Osika, seconded by Mr. McPherson:

That this Assembly call upon the Government and particularly the Minister of Justice to recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that an Order in Council be approved appointing a Member of either the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal or Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan, (such member to be selected by the Chief Justice of Saskatchewan), to act as Commissioner for a Commission of Inquiry to inquire into and report on the fund raising and closely related activities of the registered political parties of Saskatchewan together with any informally connected or informally related organizations which have assisted the registered political parties in such activities, during the years 1974 through to and including the present; and further, that the terms of reference for the Commission of Inquiry should be as follows:

Terms of Reference

The Commission of Inquiry will have responsibility and authority to inquire into and report on:

- (a) all aspects of the conduct of the registered political parties of Saskatchewan with respect to the raising of political contributions and the compliance, or otherwise, of such

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registered political parties with the provisions of *The Elections Act* during the time frame commencing on January 1, 1974 and continuing until the conclusion of such inquiry;

(b) without limiting the generality of (a), whether organizations such as non-profit corporations, directors of trust funds, informal committees or other entities have been established and have operated during the said time frame with the effect of either:

(i) raising funds by way of gift, donation, loan, advance, deposit or otherwise for the ultimate use by the registered political parties, transferring such funds to the said registered political parties, their candidates, their officials, their elected Members of the Legislative Assembly; or

(ii) making payments by or on behalf of the said registered party other than by or through a registered agent of the party;

(c) without limiting the generality of either (a) or (b) above, any findings that the Commissioner considers appropriate with respect to any indebtedness of registered political parties to the Chief Electoral Officer by virtue of the provisions of *The Elections Act*.

(d) without limiting the generality of either (a), (b) or (c) above, any recommendations that the Commissioner may consider appropriate concerning either the prosecution of individuals or organizations for statutory offences or civil proceedings for the recovery of funds which may be due and owing to the Chief Electoral Officer by virtue of the provisions of *The Election Act* or other civil proceedings as may be appropriate.

And further, that the Commissioner be authorized to engage the services of such counsel, accountants, clerks, reporters, assistants, technical advisors and other experts as are necessary or advisable to aid the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities;

And further, that all political parties who have been registered under *The Elections Act* during the period of the inquiry have standing at the Commission of Inquiry;

And further, that authorization be given for the payment of

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reasonable travel and sustenance expenses in accordance with the tariff of travel and sustenance expenses approved for employees of the Public Service and that authorization also be given for the payment of the costs of the inquiry, including the expenses of inquiry counsel and counsel to the registered political parties with standing at the inquiry;

And further, that the Department of Justice be authorized to pay honoraria and expenses of the Commission;

And further, that the Terms of Reference as set forth in this resolution be subject to amendment upon the recommendation of the jurist appointed as Commissioner.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Motion (No. 1) moved by Mr. Gantefoer:

That this Assembly demand the government repeal the unfair Crown Construction Tendering Agreement (CCTA) which has since its implementation cost the taxpayers of this province \$118 million last year alone, and will continue to cost this province in excess of \$110 million annually.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Motion (No. 3) moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

That this Assembly call on the government to immediately implement a real plan to address the urgent problem of Big Game foraging on farmers' crops, firstly, by taking reasonable measures to remove or control the population of Big Game near farmers' grain fields and, secondly, by putting in place a reasonable compensation plan for farmers whose crops have been destroyed or damaged by Big Game.

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

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Government Orders.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

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During consideration of Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, it was moved by Mr. Gantfoer:

Amend clause 2 of the Printed Bill by deleting clause (i) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:

(i) “public safety answering point” means a telephone answering point that receives emergency 911 telephone calls and provides an enhanced emergency response service that co-ordinates fire, police and/or ambulance emergency calls with responses at the call centre by qualified professional personnel who will activate and direct the emergency response teams while maintaining on-line contact and counseling with the emergency caller to the conclusion of the emergency;

The question being put, it was negated.

Moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

Amend clause 8 of the Printed Bill by deleting subsection (5) as being enacted therein and substituting the following:

(5) The minister shall establish an advisory committee, which will include representatives from any organization or government requested to participate pursuant to subsection (2), to advise and recommend on the development, implementation and operation of the Sask911 system.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 43—An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Municipal Government.

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The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Committee being resumed, it continued consideration of the Estimates for Municipal Government.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$191,075,000 for Municipal Government (Ordinary).

The Committee also considered the Estimates for Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$1,218,000 for Saskatchewan Municipal Board (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1996, the sum of \$13,000 for Saskatchewan Municipal Board (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Finance.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$56,632,000 for Finance (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1996, the sum of \$1,800,000 for Finance (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Labour.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:33 p.m. until Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Wednesday, June 12, 1996
(71st Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 82—An Act respecting Health Facilities—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 97—An Act to amend The Department of Agriculture 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:35 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Agricultural and Food Products Development and Marketing Council for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 198)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Milk Control Board for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 199)

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(72nd Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 70—An Act to amend The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, it was moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Add the following Clause after Clause 4 of the printed Bill:
Section 12 amended

5 Subsection 12(1) is repealed and the following substituted:

(1) On the recommendation of the minister, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may, by order, dissolve a resort village or village:

(a) if the council of the resort village or village, by resolution, requests it be dissolved, or there is a failure to elect a council; or

(b) if the population of the village is less than 100 or the number of persons within the resort village is less than the minimum required pursuant to clause 4(1)(a).

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Goohsen, in amendment to the amendment:

Amend proposed Clause 5 of the Printed Bill by adding after subsection 12(1) as being enacted therein the following:

(1.1) An order may be made under subsection (1) only if the municipalities affected thereby agree to the dissolution.

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The debate continuing and the question being put on the subamendment, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 10

Osika
Draude
Bjornerud
Goohsen

Aldridge
McPherson
Gantefoer

McLane
Belanger
Heppner

NAYS – 23

Mitchell
Shillington
Whitmore
Upshall
Trew
Nilson
Wall
Sonntag

Wiens
Atkinson
Goulet
Kowalsky
Lorje
Stanger
Kasperski
Murrell

MacKinnon
Johnson
Lautermilch
Pringle
Teichrob
Murray
Ward

The debate continuing and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 23

Mitchell
Lingenfelter
Johnson
Upshall
Trew
Serby
Wall
Sonntag

Wiens
Shillington
Whitmore
Kowalsky
Teichrob
Stanger
Kasperski
Murrell

MacKinnon
Atkinson
Lautermilch
Pringle
Nilson
Murray
Ward

NAYS – 10

Aldridge
Belanger
Gantefoer
Goohsen

McLane
Bjornerud
D'Autremont

Draude
Julé
Heppner

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Moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob: “That the Committee report Bill No. 70 with amendment”.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 22

Mitchell	Wiens	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Atkinson	Johnson
Whitmore	Upshall	Kowalsky
Pringle	Trew	Lorje
Teichrob	Nilson	Serby
Stanger	Murray	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Murrell		

NAYS – 11

Aldridge	McLane	Draude
Belanger	Bjornerud	Julé
Krawetz	Gantefoer	D’Autremont
Heppner	Goohsen	

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed, on Division:

Bill No. 70—An Act to amend The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

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Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Mr. Gantefoer, Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts presented the First Report of the said Committee.

(Sessional Paper No. 200)

On motion of Mr. Gantefoer, seconded by Mr. Sonntag:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be now concurred in.

Leave of the Assembly having been granted, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 120—An Act respecting the Reorganization of Labour Relations between Health Sector Employers and Employees
(Hon. Mr. Anguish)

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board Act, it was moved by Mr. Goohsen:

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Amend Clause 24 of the Printed Bill by adding immediately after the words “are repealed” where they occur therein the following words:

and the following is substituted therefor:

289.1 Where the Lieutenant Governor in Council orders that a rural municipality be dissolved, such order shall be effective only if the residents of the municipality agree to such dissolution.

The Chair ruled the amendment out of order on the grounds that it is irrelevant to the sections of the Bill it seeks to amend and to any other provisions in the Bill. These sections relate to assessments and are reapplied as part of Clause 23. And further, the amendment is beyond the scope of the Bill as agreed to at second reading. The amendment deals with the dissolution of rural municipalities but this topic is not covered in any part of Bill 71 and thus the amendment is out of order.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Amend subsection 330.3(1) of *The Rural Municipality Act, 1989*, as being enacted by Clause 37 of the printed Bill, by adding “or sections 8 and 9 of *The Municipal Tax Sharing (Potash) Act*,” after “section 259 and clause 330(1)(a).”

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to, on Division.

The question being put on clause 50 “Coming into force”, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 25

MacKinnon
Johnson
Crofford
Pringle
Scott
Serby
Murray
Ward
Thomson

Shillington
Upshall
Renaud
Koenker
Teichrob
Stanger
Wall
Sonntag

Anguish
Kowalsky
Calvert
Bradley
Cline
Hamilton
Kasperski
Murrell

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NAYS – 12

Aldridge	McLane	Draude
McPherson	Belanger	Bjornerud
Julé	Krawetz	Gantfoer
D'Autremont	Heppner	Goohsen

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 72—An Act to amend The Northern Municipalities Act and to make a consequential amendment to another Act

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential amendment to The Municipal Board Act

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 20—An Act respecting the Management of Forest Resources

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Committee being resumed, it then considered the Estimates for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$344,848,000 for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training (Ordinary).

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Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$10,000,000 for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training (Loans, Advances and Investments).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$25,119,000 for Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$340,000 for Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Highways and Transportation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Friday, June 14, 1996
(73rd Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (No. 112), it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 20—An Act respecting the Management of Forest Resources, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Scott:

Strike out clause (1)(e) of Clause 2 of the printed Bill and substitute the following:

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(e) "fees" means any money, other than dues, including administrative penalties, interest charges and fees for renewal of forest products, reforestation, fire protection and suppression, forest inventory, seedlings and insect and disease control, that is owed pursuant to this Act, the regulations or a licence, to:

- (i) the Crown; or
- (ii) a forest management fund.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

The Committee recessed from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Committee resumed consideration of Bill No. 20, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Scott:

Amend Clause 21 of the printed Bill:

- (a) by adding the following subsection after subsection (4):
 - (5) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Act, where dues and the manner of payment are set out in a licence or agreement respecting a period mentioned in this section, no changes may be made during that period respecting those dues or the manner of payment except in accordance with the licence or agreement;
- (b) by renumbering subsections (5) to (8) as subsections (6) to (9).

Amend Clause 22 of the printed Bill:

- (a) by adding the following subsection after subsection (4):
 - (5) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Act, where fees and the manner of payment are set out in a licence or agreement respecting a period mentioned in this section, no changes may be made during that period respecting those fees or the manner of payment except in accordance with the licence or agreement;
- (b) by renumbering subsections (5) and (6) as subsections (6) and (7).

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Strike out Clause 26 of the printed Bill and substitute the following:
Fees for forest management

26(1) The fees for the renewal, protection, development and management of forest products are to be paid, in accordance with section 22, to:

(a) the Crown; or

(b) a forest management fund established:

(i) by the licensee; or

(ii) by any person designated by the minister.

(2) Where those fees are paid into a forest management fund established and administered by the licensee or any person designated by the minister, the licensee or other person shall ensure that those fees are used for the purposes of renewal, protection, development and management of forest products as set out in the licence or regulations, as the case may be.

The amendments were agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Belanger:

Amend clause 33 of the printed Bill by adding immediately after the words “the minister may enter into a forest management agreement with any person” the words:

but whereas the excluded and impacted northern communities shall have equal or greater authority on management decisions of northern resources operating in their regions, but also seek partial ownership of the resource industries operating in northern Saskatchewan. Furthermore, in relation to this Act, there will be greater powers and authorities to local co-management committees to allow equal or greater influence with forestry and government parties on forestry management issues.

The Chair ruled the amendment out of order on the grounds that the amendment to clause 33 moved by the Member for Athabasca is proposed in the form of a preamble and does not constitute an effective or operable amendment. The Chair referred the Committee to Beauchesne's 6th Edition para. 698(4)(b).

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Scott:

Amend subclause (b)(ii) of Clause 35 of the printed Bill by striking out “in accordance with the regulations”.

Amend subsection (1) of Clause 52 of the printed Bill by striking out “The minister” and substituting “Unless otherwise specified in a licence, the minister”.

Amend clause (1)(e) of Clause 76 of the printed Bill by striking out “22” and substituting “23”.

The amendments were agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Krawetz:

Clause 108 of the Printed Bill is amended by deleting the words “on proclamation” where they appear therein and substituting the following words:

upon consideration and acceptance by the Committee of the Whole of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly of regulations proposed pursuant to this Act.

The question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Scott:

Add the following Clause after Clause 35 of the printed Bill:

Changes, amendments and alterations

36(1) In this section, “terms” means those provisions in a management licence issued pursuant to section 19 of *The Forest Act* or in a forest management agreement entered into after the coming into force of this Act respecting;

(a) the rights of the holder of the licence or agreement for the harvesting of forest products;

(b) the area within which the licence rights apply and the location, quantity and type of forest products specified in a licence or agreement; and

(c) the compensation for the loss of improvements and forest products respecting land withdrawals.

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(2) No changes, amendments or alterations shall be made to terms set out in a management licence issued pursuant to section 19 of The Forest Act, except in accordance with the licence, until the first extension date of that licence after the coming into force of this Act.

(3) At the first extension date of the licence mentioned in subsection (2) and at every second extension date after that, the licensee and the minister may agree in the licence to the manner of changing, amending or altering the terms, and no changes, amendments or alterations shall be made to those terms for the 10-year period following that extension date except in accordance with that licence.

(4) At each extension date mentioned in subsection (3), where the licensee and the minister do not agree in the licence to the manner of changing, amending or altering the terms, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations respecting those terms

(5) Subsections (3) and (4) apply, with any necessary modification, to a forest management agreement.

The amendment was agreed to.

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 111— An Act to amend The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act

Bill No. 112—An Act to amend The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Act

Bill No. 96—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Pension Plan Act

Bill No. 97—An Act to amend The Department of Agriculture Act

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The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 20—An Act respecting the Management of Forest Resources

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Hon. Mr. Anguish, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved: That Bill No. 120—An Act respecting the Reorganization of Labour Relations between Health Sector Employers and Employees—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was motion of Mr. Toth, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Social Services.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Monday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Monday, June 17, 1996
(74th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

The Government House Leader raised a question of privilege concerning remarks made in Oral Question Period by the Leader of the Opposition on Friday, June 14, which reflected on the integrity of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner. Mr. Speaker waived notice, pursuant to rule 6(2), and deferred his ruling on the matter.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance 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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 82—An Act respecting Health Facilities—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Goohsen: “That this debate be now adjourned.”

The question being put, it was negatived.

The question being put on Second Reading of Bill No. 82, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 20

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Lautermilch
Upshall	Kowalsky	Renaud
Koenker	Trew	Scott
Nilson	Cline	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Flavel	Thomson	

NAYS – 7

Aldridge	Bjornerud	Krawetz
Gantefoer	Toth	Hepner
Goohsen		

The Hon. Mr. Cline asked leave to have the said Bill considered in a Committee of the Whole later this day. Unanimous consent was not granted and the said Bill was, accordingly, referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. D’Autremont, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word “That” be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

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Bill No. 114, An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates, be now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six months hence.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out-of-order because its wording made it inoperable.

The debate continuing on Second Reading of Bill No. 114, it was moved by Mr. Heppner: "That this debate be now adjourned."

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 4		
D'Autremont	Toth	Heppner
Goohsen		

NAYS – 25		
Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Whitmore
Lautermilch	Upshall	Kowalsky
Crofford	Renaud	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Cline
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Kasperski
Ward	Flavel	Thomson
Osika	Bjornerud	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

The debate continuing, the Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Goohsen, Heppner, Toth.

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According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The debate being resumed on Second Reading of Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates, it was moved by Mr. D’Autremont, seconded by Mr. Goohsen, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word “That” be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

Bill No. 114, An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates, be not read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six months hence.

The question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 10

McLane	Draude	Bjornerud
Julé	Krawetz	Gantefoer
Boyd	D’Autremont	Toth
Heppner		

NAYS – 27

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Tchorzewski	Whitmore	Lautermilch
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Calvert	Koenker	Trew
Bradley	Lorje	Scott
Teichrob	Nilson	Cline
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Flavel	Thomson

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The debate continuing on Second Reading of Bill No. 114, it was moved by Mr. Boyd: "That this debate be now adjourned."

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 4		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Heppner
Goohsen		

NAYS – 30		
Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Whitmore	Lautermilch
Kowalsky	Crofford	Calvert
Koenker	Trew	Bradley
Lorje	Scott	Teichrob
Nilson	Cline	Serby
Stanger	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Ward	Sonntag
Flavel	Thomson	McLane
Bjornerud	Krawetz	Gantefoer

The debate continuing on Second Reading of Bill No. 114, it was moved by Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. Goohsen, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "That" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

Bill No. 114 be not now read a second time and that the subject matter be referred to a Special Committee on Health to be established by this Legislature.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Heppner, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Anguish: That Bill No. 120—An Act respecting the Reorganization of Labour Relations between Health Sector Employers and Employees—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to, on Division, and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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The Assembly, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for the Public Service Commission.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$7,257,000 for Public Service Commission (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Social Services.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Tuesday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Tuesday, June 18, 1996
(75th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday the Government House Leader raised a question of privilege concerning comments made by the Leader of the Opposition during Oral Question Period on Friday June 14. The Government House Leader claimed the comments attacked the conduct and integrity of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner. I have now had an opportunity to review the record and consider the matter.

Before making my ruling, I remind all honourable Members that it is not the role of the Speaker to decide if a breach of privilege or contempt of the Assembly has been committed. This is a question only the Assembly can decide. It is the Speaker's role to decide whether a *prima facie* case has been established which would justify the matter taking precedence over the other business before the Assembly. I will now turn to the case presented by the Government House Leader.

The case of the Government House Leader rests on the remarks made by the Leader of the Opposition during Oral Question Period on June 14th. Having reviewed Hansard it is clear that the Leader of the Opposition did attempt to bring into question the integrity of the Conflict of Interest and Freedom of Information Commissioner. On page 2623 the Leader of the Opposition accused the Commissioner of being in conflict of interest for being, as he stated, "heavily involved in a company that may have donated funds to the New Democratic Party." The Leader of the Opposition then requested that the Premier remove Mr. McLeod from his post.

The Speaker reminds all honourable Members that the Conflict of Interest and Freedom of Information Commissioner is an officer of this Assembly, not an officer of the government. As such the Commissioner is entitled to the protection of this Assembly as outlined by *Sir Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice*, 21st Edition, page 130 as follows:

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Both Houses will treat as breaches of their privileges, not only acts directly tending to obstruct their officers in the execution of their duty, but also any conduct which may tend to deter them from doing their duty in the future.

Furthermore, the Commissioner, according to statute, can only be disciplined or removed from office by an order of this Assembly, or by the Board of Internal Economy if the Assembly is not in session. Simply put, charges ought not be brought against any officer of the Assembly incidentally in the midst of other proceedings. This is well-established by previous rulings of the Speaker and our parliamentary authorities. I refer honourable Members to two rulings of the Speaker that are relevant to this case. The first case involved the Legislative Counsel and Law Clerk and was ruled on June 24, 1987 and the second involved the Provincial Auditor and is dated May 23, 1989. I would like to reiterate what the Speaker stated on each of these occasions:

It is vital, if parliament is to get a fair and impartial service from its officers, that these officers must be defended from intimidation while conducting their duties. Critical comments attacking the competence or the credibility of an individual can be construed as a form of obstruction.

In this case I find the remarks of the Leader of the Opposition as being capable of undermining the personal credibility and professionalism of the Conflict of Interest and Freedom of Information Commissioner. The remarks could draw into question the Commissioner's capacity to serve the Legislative Assembly. I recognize that the Leader of the Opposition did rise to withdraw his remarks and offer an unqualified apology to the Conflict of Interest and Freedom of Information Commissioner. I note that this is the action the Government House Leader indicated he would move be required, if the House should find that privilege was breached. However, while noting these two points the matter is still before the House and under Rule 6 the Speaker is required to determine whether a *prima facie* case of breach of privilege has been established and it is my finding that this matter does constitute a *prima facie* matter of privilege.

While responding to the Leader of the Opposition during question period on June 14th, Hansard shows that the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training associated the Commissioner with a political party. Although the Minister did not make a direct accusation, the Speaker is concerned by the comment and finds it unacceptable. I now leave this matter in the hands of the Assembly.

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Ordered, That this House accepts the apology of the Leader of the Official Opposition with respect to statements reflecting on the credibility of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner, and confirms that a reflection on the credibility of an officer of the Assembly represents a breach of privilege of this Assembly.

The Hon. Mr. Shillington asked leave to proceed to Government Orders. Unanimous consent was not granted.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Motion (No. 3), moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

That this Assembly call on the government to immediately implement a real plan to address the urgent problem of Big Game foraging on farmers' crops, firstly, by taking reasonable measures to remove or control the population of Big Game near farmers' grain fields and, secondly, by putting in place a reasonable compensation plan for farmers whose crops have been destroyed or damaged by Big Game.

The debate continuing, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

That this Assembly do now proceed to Government Orders.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

On the following Bills progress was reported:

Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections

Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

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The Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

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According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to allocate adequate funding dedicated toward the double-laning of Highway #1.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act, it was moved by Mr. D'Autremont: "That the Committee rise and report progress."

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5

Boyd
Heppner

D'Autremont
Goohsen

Toth

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NAYS – 29

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Lautermilch
Kowalsky	Renaud	Calvert
Pringle	Koenker	Bradley
Lorje	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Serby	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Flavel	Aldridge	McPherson
Bjornerud	Gantfoer	

Moved by Mr. Toth: "That the Chair do now leave the chair."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 28

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Lautermilch
Kowalsky	Renaud	Calvert
Pringle	Koenker	Bradley
Lorje	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Flavel
McLane	McPherson	Bjornerud
Gantfoer		

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The question being put on clause 1, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 27

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Kowalsky
Renaud	Calvert	Pringle
Koenker	Bradley	Lorje
Scott	Nilson	Cline
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Flavel	McLane
McPherson	Krawetz	Gantefoer

NAYS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

Moved by Mr. D'Autremont: "That the Committee rise and report progress."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 23

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Kowalsky
Renaud	Pringle	Koenker
Lorje	Scott	Nilson
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	McLane	McPherson
Krawetz	Gantefoer	

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Moved by Mr. Toth: "That the Chair do now leave the chair."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 23		
Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Kowalsky
Renaud	Pringle	Koenker
Lorje	Scott	Nilson
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	McLane	McPherson
Krawetz	Gantfoer	

The question being put on clause 2, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 24		
Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Koenker	Lorje	Scott
Nilson	Cline	Serby
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Thomson	McLane
McPherson	Krawetz	Gantfoer

NAYS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

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Moved by Mr. D'Autremont: "That the Committee rise and report progress."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 23		
Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Koenker	Lorje	Scott
Nilson	Cline	Serby
Hamilton	Murray	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Thomson	McLane	McPherson
Krawetz	Gantefoer	

Moved by Mr. Toth: "That the Chair do now leave the chair."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 23		
Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Pringle	Koenker	Lorje
Scott	Nilson	Cline
Serby	Hamilton	Murray
Wall	Kasperski	Ward
Sonntag	Thomson	McLane
McPherson	Krawetz	

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The question being put on clause 3, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 24

Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson
McLane	McPherson	Krawetz

NAYS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

Moved by Mr. D'Autremont: "That the Committee rise and report progress."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 24

Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson
McLane	McPherson	Krawetz

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Moved by Mr. Toth: "That the Deputy Chair do now leave the chair."

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 24		
Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson
McLane	McPherson	Krawetz

The question being put on clause 4, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 24		
Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson
McLane	McPherson	Krawetz

NAYS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

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Moved by Mr. D'Autremont: "That the Committee rise and report progress."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 24		
Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson
McLane	McPherson	Krawetz

Moved by Mr. Toth: "That the Deputy Chair do now leave the chair."

The question being put, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 5		
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

NAYS – 25		
Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson
McLane	McPherson	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

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The question being put on clause 5, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 25

Van Mulligen	Shillington	Johnson
Whitmore	Kowalsky	Renaud
Calvert	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Hamilton	Murray
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Ward	Sonntag	Thomson
McLane	McPherson	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

NAYS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: "That the Committee report Bill No. 77 without amendment".

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 26

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Kowalsky
Renaud	Calvert	Pringle
Koenker	Bradley	Scott
Nilson	Cline	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Ward	Sonntag
Flavel	Thomson	McPherson
Krawetz	Gantefoer	

NAYS – 5

Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Heppner	Goohsen	

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The following Bill was reported without amendment:

Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act—be now read the third time and passed under its title.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 22

Van Mulligen	Mitchell	Shillington
Johnson	Whitmore	Kowalsky
Pringle	Koenker	Trew
Bradley	Nilson	Cline
Hamilton	Murray	Langford
Wall	Kasperski	Sonntag
Flavel	Thomson	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

NAYS – 4

D'Autremont	Toth	Heppner
Goohsen		

The said Bill was, accordingly, read the third time and passed.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Social Services.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Committee being resumed, it then considered the Estimates for Executive Council.

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Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 11:35 p.m. until Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Wednesday, June 19, 1996
(76th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

The Member for Thunder Creek, Mr. Aldridge, raised a question of privilege respecting the impartiality of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner. Mr. Speaker reserved his ruling.

The Assembly, according to Order resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Social Services.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$524,314,000 for Social Services (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$10,576,000 for Social Services (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Economic Development.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

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Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, Aldridge, McPherson, Goohsen, Heppner, Toth.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reverse the decision to close the Melville Court House.

(Sessional Paper No. 201)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to allocate adequate funding dedicated toward the double-laning of Highway #1.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Order of the Day being called for Question (Nos. 113 to 121), they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Economic Development.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Environment and Resource Management.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

JUNE 19, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

On the following Bill progress was reported:

Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Environment and Resource Management.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$87,070,000 for Environment and Resource Management (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1996, the sum of \$66,990,000 for Environment and Resource Management (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Highways and Transportation.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$168,795,000 for Highways and Transportation (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$5,850,000 for Highways and Transportation (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

JUNE 19, 1996

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:36 p.m. until Thursday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Thursday, June 20, 1996
(77th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday morning, after having provided notice under Rule 6, the Member for Thunder Creek raised a question of privilege in which he claimed the Conflict of Interest Commissioner's position on the Board of Directors of a corporation which had criticized him, served to impair the performance of his parliamentary duties. I have had a chance to consider the Member's case as well as the comments of the Government House Leader and the House Leader of the Official Opposition.

The crux of this case is the Member's confidence in the Commissioner's ability to remain impartial. The Member for Thunder Creek stated the following to the Assembly: "I must be assured beyond all doubt that the Commissioner will treat any matter relating to myself with complete impartiality. The Commissioner's duties beyond this House leave this in doubt." From this statement it is apparent that the Member for Thunder Creek has a concern or doubt about the Commissioner's ability to perform his duties impartially. However, he has not identified or demonstrated any present or past improper conduct of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner.

In order for a breach of privilege to be found, the actions complained of must constitute interference with the Member's ability to carry on his functions as a Member. It must be demonstrated that the Member has been obstructed or interfered with in his parliamentary work. The Member for Thunder Creek has not produced any evidence to suggest the Commissioner has acted improperly. What the Member for Thunder Creek has demonstrated is that he has a doubt given the circumstances. The Speaker can only decide on matters when they arise and not in anticipation. For this reason the Speaker has no grounds on which to deal with the matter as a question of privilege. I therefore rule that the Member for Thunder Creek has not established a *prima facie* question of privilege.

JUNE 20, 1996

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantfoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson, Haverstock, Heppner, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to allocate adequate funding dedicated toward the double-laning of Highway #1.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 121—An Act to amend The Workers' Compensation Act, 1979 to provide for a broader managing Board of Directors for the Workers' Compensation Board for the accountability of the Board

(Mr. Boyd)

JUNE 20, 1996

The Assembly, according to order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Committee being resumed, it continued its consideration of the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Health.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:30 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Friday, June 21, 1996
(78th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Krawetz, McLane, Aldridge, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to allocate adequate funding dedicated toward the double-laning of Highway #1.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to urge the Department of Social Services to reconsider the decision to reduce the Parent Education and Support Programs.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

JUNE 21, 1996

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 122—An Act requiring Union Certification,
Decertification and Strike Action by Secret Ballot

(Mr. Goohsen)

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Justice.

The Committee recessed from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

The Committee being resumed, it then considered the Estimates for Health.

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Economic Development.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$36,559,000 for Economic Development (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$4,600,000 for Economic Development (Loans, Advances and Investments).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1996, the sum of \$10,700,000 for Economic Development (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Justice.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$183,692,000 for Justice (Ordinary).

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Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$2,300,000 for Justice (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Agriculture and Food.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$254,425,000 for Agriculture and Food (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$400,000 for Agriculture and Food (Loans, Advances and Investments).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$3,546,000 for Agriculture and Food (Loans, Advances and Investments).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Labour.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$9,187,000 for Labour (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Executive Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$293,000 for Labour (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered the Estimates for Executive Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$6,170,000 for Executive Council (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter asked leave to move a motion. Unanimous consent was not granted.

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, the Speaker interrupted proceedings and adjourned the Assembly without question put.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:04 p.m. until Monday at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Financial Statements of the Northern Revenue Sharing Trust Account for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 202)

Monday, June 24, 1996
(79th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

On the following Bill progress was reported

Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly recessed from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Krawetz, Gantefoer, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

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Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly, the following:

Report on the returns of election expenses filed by registered political parties pursuant to section 222(1) of *The Election Act*; and

Report on the returns of contributions and election expenses filed by candidates and business managers pursuant to section 218 of *The Election Act*.

(Sessional Paper No. 203)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—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 and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates—be now read a second time.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Boyd:

That all the words after the word “That” be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

Bill No. 114 be not now read a second time and that the subject matter be referred to a Special Committee on Health to be established by this Legislature.

The question being put on the amendment, it was negatived, on Division.

The question being put on Second Reading of Bill No. 114, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and, by leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 55, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

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The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates, it was moved by Mr. Toth:

Amend Clause 14 of the printed Bill:

- (a) deleting the word “but” and replacing it with the word “and”; and
- (b) by deleting the word “not”.

The question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by Mr. McLane:

Amend Clause 14 of the printed Bill by deleting the words “, but the foundation and the district health board or affiliate are not bound by those directions” and substituting the following:

and the foundation and the district health board or affiliate shall be bound by those directions unless it would be contrary to the established rules and principles of trust law to follow those directions.

The question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: “That the Committee report the Bill without amendment”.

The question being put, it was agreed to, on Division.

During consideration of Bill No. 120—An Act respecting the Reorganization of Labour Relations between Health Sector Employers and Employees, it was moved by Mr. D’Autremont:

Amend subsection (1) of Clause 2 by adding the following clause:

- (e) “employee” means a person who is an employee within the meaning of *The Trade Union Act*, and is employed by a health sector employer;”

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline, in amendment to the amendment:

That the amendment be amended by deleting all the words after “*Trade Union Act*”.

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The question being put on the subamendment, it was agreed to.
The question being put on the amendment as amended, it was agreed to.

The question being put on clause 2 as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. D'Autremont:

Amend subsection (6) of Clause 6 by deleting clause (a).

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived, on Division.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: "That the Committee report the Bill with amendment".

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated June 7, 1996.

During consideration of Bill No. 82—An Act respecting Health Facilities, it was moved by Mr. McLane:

Amend clause (1)(c) of Clause 4 of the printed Bill by adding the word "reasonably" before "considers relevant to the application"

A debate arising and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on clause 4 as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. McPherson:

Amend Clause 17 of the printed Bill by deleting from subsection (1) the words "on a question of law only" and adding immediately after the words "judge of the Court of Queen's Bench" the following:

on any question of law or on the ground

(a) that there has been a breach by the minister of a provision of the statute that is relevant to the decision appealed;

(b) that the decision is founded on an erroneous apprehension of fact or that the minister has, in making the decision, failed to take into account all relevant facts; or

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(c) that the minister in making the decision has not afforded the person a reasonable opportunity to be heard or has otherwise not acted in accordance with the principles of fundamental fairness.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline, in amendment to the amendment:

That all the words after the words “‘judge of the Court of Queen’s Bench’ the following” be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

(a) on a question of law; or

(b) on the ground that the minister in making the decision has not afforded the person a reasonable opportunity to be heard or has otherwise not acted in accordance with the principles of fundamental justice.

The question being put on the subamendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on the amendment as amended, it was agreed to.

The question being put on clause 17 as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. McLane:

Amend clause 30 by deleting the words “on proclamation” and substituting the words “upon consideration and acceptance by the Committee of the Whole of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly of regulations proposed pursuant to section 29.

The question being put on the amendment, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 7

Osika
McPherson
Gantefoer

Aldridge
Belanger

McLane
Krawetz

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NAYS – 22

Wiens	MacKinnon	Atkinson
Johnson	Upshall	Kowalsky
Crofford	Pringle	Koenker
Bradley	Scott	Cline
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Sonntag	Jess	Murrell
Thomson		

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 114—An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates

The following Bills were reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 120—An Act respecting the Reorganization of Labour Relations between Health Sector Employers and Employees

Bill No. 82—An Act respecting Health Facilities

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider the Estimates for Health.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997, the sum of \$1,560,252,000 for Health (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 1996, the sum of \$7,800,000 for Health (Ordinary).

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Summary of Resolutions adopted:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 1995-96

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1996 the following sums:

BUDGETARY EXPENSES

1. For Economic Development	\$ 10,700,000
2. For Energy and Mines	7,934,000
3. For Environment and Resource Management	66,990,000
4. For Finance	1,800,000
5. For Health	7,800,000
6. For Highways and Transportation	5,850,000
7. For Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat	340,000
8. For Intergovernmental Relations	615,000
9. For Justice	2,300,000
10. For Labour	293,000
11. For Saskatchewan Municipal Board	13,000
12. For Social Services	10,576,000

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13. For Agriculture and Food	3,546,000
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GENERAL REVENUE FUND

MAIN ESTIMATES 1996-97

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 1997 the following sums:

BUDGETARY EXPENSES

1. For Agriculture and Food	\$ 254,425,000
2. For Economic Development	36,559,000
3. For Education	542,737,000
4. For Energy and Mines	15,308,000
5. For Environment and Resource Management	87,070,000
6. For Executive Council	6,170,000
7. For Finance	56,632,000
8. For Health	
1,560,252,000	
9. For Highways and Transportation	168,795,000
10. For Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat	25,119,000
11. For Intergovernmental Affairs	4,049,000
12. For Justice	183,692,000
13. For Labour	9,187,000
14. For Legislation – Ombudsman and Children’s Advocate	1,256,000
15. For Legislation – Freedom of Information and Privacy Commissioner	63,000
16. For Legislation – Conflict of Interest Commissioner	81,000
17. For Municipal Government	191,075,000
18. For Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training	344,848,000

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19. For Public Service Commission	7,257,000
20. For Saskatchewan Municipal Board	1,218,000
21. For Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation	10,554,000
22. For Saskatchewan Research Council	7,886,000
23. For Saskatchewan Water Corporation	4,956,000
24. For Social Services	524,314,000
25. For Women's Secretariat	901,000

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26. For Agriculture and Food	400,000
27. For Economic Development	4,600,000
28. For Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training	10,000,000

On motion of the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1996, the sum of one hundred and eighteen million, seven hundred and fifty-seven thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1997, the sum of three billion, forty-four million, five hundred and fifty-three thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

The question being put, it was agreed to, on Division.

The said Resolutions were reported, read twice and agreed to, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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Moved by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 123—An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Years ending respectively on March 31, 1996 and on March 31, 1997—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 51, the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed under its title, on Division.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:13 p.m. until Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, June 25, 1996
(80th Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Information and Privacy Commissioner for the period ended March 31, 1996.

(Sessional Paper No. 204)

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Conflict of Interest Commissioner for the period ended December 31, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 205)

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Government Orders.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, it was moved by Mr. McLane:

Amend clause 8 of the printed Bill by deleting from subsection 19(3.3) being enacted all the words that follow the words “Court of Queen’s Bench” and replacing them with the words “a statement of claim claiming the amount set out in the statement or any portion of that amount that is outstanding, plus interest calculated in accordance with subsection (3.2).”

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The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 7

Aldridge	McLane	McPherson
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

NAYS – 18

Wiens	MacKinnon	Shillington
Johnson	Goulet	Kowalsky
Crofford	Renaud	Trew
Nilson	Cline	Stanger
Hamilton	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Sonntag	Jess

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Amend subsection 26.1(2) of *The Health Districts Act*, as being enacted by Clause 10 of the printed Bill:

(a) in clause (b) by adding “for the district health board” after “to be provided”; and

(b) in clause (e) by striking out “90” and substituting “180”.

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being put on clause 10 as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. McLane:

Amend clause 10 of the printed Bill by adding immediately after subsection 26.1(2) the following:

26.1(2.1) An agreement required by subsection (1) may not require an affiliate to provide services the provision of which would violate the ethical or religious tenets of the affiliate.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 7

Aldridge	McLane	McPherson
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

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NAYS – 17

Wiens	MacKinnon	Shillington
Johnson	Goulet	Kowalsky
Crofford	Renaud	Trew
Nilson	Cline	Hamilton
Langford	Wall	Kasperski
Sonntag	Jess	

Moved by Mr. McLane:

Amend clause 10 of the printed Bill

- (a) by adding to subsection 26.1(3) being enacted after the words “The district health board for the health district in which an affiliate provides service” the words “or the affiliate”; and
- (b) by deleting in subsection 26.1(5) being enacted the words “and the district health board has not requested the minister to appoint a mediator pursuant to subsection (3)” and replacing them with the words “and no request has been made under subsection (3) for the appointment of a mediator”.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 7

Aldridge	McLane	McPherson
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

NAYS – 18

Wiens	MacKinnon	Shillington
Johnson	Goulet	Kowalsky
Crofford	Renaud	Trew
Nilson	Cline	Stanger
Hamilton	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Sonntag	Jess

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Moved by Mr. McLane:

Amend subsection (1) of clause 22 by deleting the words “on proclamation” and substituting the words “upon consideration and acceptance by the Committee of the Whole of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly of regulations proposed pursuant to clauses 40(1)(b.1), (c), (c.1) and (d), subclause 40(1)(h)(x.1), and clauses 40(1)(j.1), (k), (m.1), (p.1), (p.2), (q.1), (q.2), (q.3), (q.4), (q.5), (s), (s.1) and (s.2).”

The question being put, it was negived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 7

Aldridge	McLane	McPherson
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

NAYS – 18

Wiens	MacKinnon	Shillington
Johnson	Goulet	Kowalsky
Crofford	Renaud	Scott
Nilson	Cline	Stanger
Hamilton	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Sonntag	Jess

The following Bill was reported with amendments which were read twice and agreed to:

Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts—be now read the third time and passed under its title.

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The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 22

Wiens	MacKinnon	Lingenfelter
Shillington	Johnson	Goulet
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Bradley	Scott	Nilson
Cline	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Sonntag	Jess
Flavel		

NAYS – 7

Aldridge	McLane	McPherson
Bjornerud	Julé	Krawetz
Gantefoer		

The said Bill was, accordingly, read the third time and passed.

The Assembly recessed from 12:56 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Osika, Bjornerud, Julé, Krawetz, Gantefoer, Draude, McLane, Aldridge, Belanger, McPherson, Heppner, D'Autremont, Goohsen.

According to Order, the Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 12(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to reconsider closure of the Plains Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 46)

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The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

During consideration of Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

Amend Clause 240 of the printed Bill:

- (a) by adding the following subsection before subsection (1):
 - (1) In this section, “registered party” means a registered party within the meaning of the *Canada Elections Act*; and
- (b) by adding the following subsections after subsection (4):
 - (5) If a constituency association, corporation or trust fund makes a contribution to a registered political party or a candidate, the constituency association, corporation or trust fund shall provide the chief official agent of the registered political party or the candidate’s business manager with a statement setting out:
 - (a) the name of the person who authorized the contribution on behalf of the constituency association, corporation or trust fund; and
 - (b) the name of, and the amount contributed by, each person who made a contribution in excess of \$250 in a year and whose contribution was used to make up the funds contributed by the constituency association, corporation or trust fund.
 - (6) If a registered party makes a contribution to a registered political party or a candidate, the registered party shall provide the chief official agent of the registered political party or the candidate’s business manager with a statement setting out the name of, and the amount contributed by, each person who made a contribution in excess of \$250 in a year and whose contribution was used to make up the funds contributed by the registered party.
 - (7) The statements mentioned in subsections (5) and (6) must be provided at the time the contribution is made.
 - (8) If the constituency association, corporation or trust fund does not provide the statement mentioned in subsection (5) to the chief official agent or business manager, the chief official agent

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or business manager shall not accept the contribution from the constituency association, corporation or trust fund.

(9) If the registered party does not provide the statement mentioned in subsection (6) to the chief official agent or business manager, the chief official agent or business manager shall not accept the contribution from the registered party.

(10) If the chief official agent or business manager learns that the registered political party or candidate has accepted a contribution from a constituency association, corporation or trust fund contrary to subsection (8) or from a registered party contrary to subsection (9), the chief official agent or business manager shall return the contribution to the constituency association, corporation, trust fund or registered party.

(11) The Chief Electoral Officer may request a constituency association, corporation or trust fund that makes a contribution to a registered political party or candidate to submit a statement setting out:

(a) the name of the person who authorized the contribution on behalf of the constituency association, corporation or trust fund; and

(b) the name of, and the amount contributed by, each person who made a contribution in excess of \$250 in a year and whose contribution was used to make up the funds contributed by the constituency association, corporation or trust fund.

(12) No constituency association, corporation, trust fund, registered party, chief official agent, business manager, officer of a constituency association, officer or director of a corporation or trustee of a trust fund shall fail to comply with subsections (5) to (10) or with a request made pursuant to subsection (11).

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. D'Autremont, in amendment to the amendment:

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Amend subsections (5), (8), (10), (11) and (12) of Clause 240 as proposed to be added to the Bill by the motion before the Committee by adding after every occurrence of the word "corporation" therein the following: ", trade union".

A debate arising and the question being put on the subamendment, it was negatived, on Division.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to, on Division.

The question being put on clause 240 as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

Amend Clause 250 of the printed Bill:

(a) in clause (2)(b) by adding ", and the amount contributed by," after "the name of "; and

(b) by adding the following subsection after subsection (2):

(3) A return required by subsection (1) must be accompanied by a copy, certified by the chief official agent to be a true copy, of every statement received by the registered political party pursuant to subsections 240(5) and (6) in the fiscal year.

Amend Clause 261 of the printed Bill by adding the following subsection after subsection (2):

(3) An election expenses return required by subsection (1) must be accompanied by a copy, certified by the candidate or the candidate's business manager to be a true copy, of every statement received by the candidate pursuant to subsections 240(5) and (6) respecting contributions made during the election.

Amend clause (5)(b) of Clause 277 of the printed Bill by striking out "corporation's business" and substituting "Crown corporation's competitive business interests".

The amendments were agreed to.

The question being put on clauses 250, 261 and 277 as amended, they were agreed to.

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The following Bill was reported with amendments which were read twice and agreed to:

Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 92—An Act respecting Elections—be now read the third time and passed under its title.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS – 35

Mitchell	Wiens	Shillington
Anguish	Atkinson	Tchorzewski
Johnson	Goulet	Upshall
Kowalsky	Crofford	Renaud
Koenker	Trew	Bradley
Scott	Teichrob	Nilson
Serby	Stanger	Hamilton
Murray	Langford	Wall
Kasperski	Sonntag	Jess
Flavel	Murrell	Thomson
Boyd	D'Autremont	Toth
Goohsen	Haverstock	

NAYS – 9

Osika	McLane	Draude
McPherson	Belanger	Bjornerud
Julé	Krawetz	Gantfoer

The said Bill was, accordingly, read the third time and passed.

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6:25 p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, entered the Chamber and took his seat upon the Throne. / Son Honneur le Lieutenant gouverneur a fait son entrée dans la Chambre et a pris place au Trône.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour: / Le Président s'est adressé à Son Honneur:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR: / QU'IL PLAISE À VOTRE HONNEUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed several Bills which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which Bills I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent. / Cette Assemblée législative, au cours de la présente session, a adopté des projets de loi que je présente à Votre Honneur, au nom de l'Assemblée, et que de demande respectueusement à Votre Honneur de sanctionner.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the Bills that had been passed severally as follows: / La Greffière de l'Assemblée a donné lecture des titres du projets de loi adopté comme suit:

- 5 An Act to amend The Education Act
- 98 An Act respecting the Application to Saskatchewan of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction / Projet de loi No. 98—Loi concernant l'application à la Saskatchewan de la Convention sur les aspects civils de l'enlèvement international d'enfants
- 99 An Act respecting Co-operatives / Projet de loi No. 99—Loi concernant les coopératives
- 100 An Act respecting the Regulation of Drivers and Traffic on Saskatchewan Highways / Projet de loi No. 100—Loi concernant la réglementation de la conduite automobile et de la circulation sur les routes de la Saskatchewan
- 101 An Act respecting Wills / Projet de loi No. 101—Loi concernant les testaments
- 102 An Act respecting the Distribution of Estates of Intestates / Projet de loi No. 102—Loi concernant le partage des successions non testamentaires

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- 103 An Act respecting Powers of Attorney / Projet de loi No. 103–Loi concernant les procurations
- 104 An Act to facilitate the Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments and Awards / Projet de loi No. 104–Loi relative à la loi visant à faciliter l’exécution réciproque des jugements et des sentences arbitrales
- 105 An Act respecting the Application in Saskatchewan of the United Nations Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards / Projet de loi No. 105–Loi concernant l’application en Saskatchewan de la Convention des Nations Unies pour la reconnaissance et l’exécution des sentences arbitrales étrangères
- 106 An Act respecting the Maintenance of Dependents of Testators and Intestates / Projet de loi No. 106–Loi concernant l’aide aux personnes à charge des testateurs et des intestats
- 107 An Act respecting the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders / Projet de loi No. 107–Loi concernant l’exécution réciproque des ordonnances alimentaires
- 108 An Act to amend The Change of Name Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 108–Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur le changement de nom
- 110 An Act to amend The Education Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 110–Loi modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l’éducation
- 55 An Act to amend The Municipal Employees’ Pension Act
- 65 An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act
- 64 An Act respecting Pensions for Public Employees
- 63 An Act respecting the Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund
- 88 An Act to amend The Queen’s Bench Act
- 91 An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1990
- 44 An Act to amend The Crown Corporations Act, 1993
- 39 An Act to Promote, Develop and Sustain Irrigation
- 87 An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act (No. 2)
- 38 An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act

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- 21 An Act to amend The Interpretation Act, 1995 and to enact a related amendment /
Projet de loi No. 21–Loi modifiant la Loi d’interprétation de 1995 et édictant une
modification corrélative
- 113 An Act respecting Wascana Energy Inc.
- 94 An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act
- 95 An Act to amend The Labour-sponsored Venture Capital Corporations Act
- 80 An Act to amend The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act
- 84 An Act to amend The Wascana Centre Act
- 85 An Act to amend The Meewasin Valley Authority Act
- 46 An Act to amend The Municipal Board Act
- 45 An Act to amend The Tax Enforcement Act and to make a consequential
amendment to The Provincial Mediation Board Act
- 86 An Act to amend The Municipal Revenue Sharing Act
- 118 An Act to amend The Trust and Loan Corporations Act
- 109 An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act, 1995 / Projet de loi No. 109–Loi
modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur les services de l’état civil
- 54 An Act respecting Conservation Easements and to make consequential
amendments to other Acts
- 43 An Act respecting the Development, Implementation and Operation of an
Emergency 911 System and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
- 70 An Act to amend The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 and to make consequential
amendments to other Acts
- 71 An Act to amend The Rural Municipality Act, 1989 and to make a consequential
amendment to The Municipal Board Act
- 72 An Act to amend The Northern Municipalities Act and to make a consequential
amendment to another Act
- 111 An Act to amend The Teachers’ Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act

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- 112 An Act to amend The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Act
- 96 An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Pension Plan Act
- 97 An Act to amend The Department of Agriculture Act
- 20 An Act respecting the Management of Forest Resources
- 77 An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Act
- 114 An Act respecting the Establishment of a Crown Foundation for District Health Boards and their Affiliates
- 120 An Act respecting the Reorganization of Labour Relations between Health Sector Employers and Employees
- 82 An Act respecting Health Facilities
- 76 An Act to amend The Health Districts Act, to repeal The Union Hospital Act and The Lloydminster Hospital Act, 1948 and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
- 92 An Act respecting Elections

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: “In Her Majesty’s name, I assent to these Bills.” / Son Honneur le Lieutenant gouverneur alors a répondu: “Au nom de Sa Majestée, je sanctionne ses projets de loi.”

Mr. Speaker then said:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly has voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service. In the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour the following Bill, to which I respectfully request Your Honour’s Assent.

- 123 An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Years ending respectively on March 31, 1996 and on March 31, 1997

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His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I thank the Legislative Assembly, accept their benevolence and assent to this Bill."

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

6:34 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

Ordered, That when this Assembly adjourns at the end of this sitting day, it shall stand adjourned to a date and time set by Mr. Speaker upon the request of the Government and that Mr. Speaker shall give each Member seven clear days notice, if possible, of such date and time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 6:56 p.m. to the call of the chair, pursuant to an Order made this day.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer respecting reimbursements made to registered political parties and candidates pursuant to section 225 of *The Election Act* in conjunction with the Provincial General Election of June 21, 1995.

(Sessional Paper No. 206)

Thursday, March 6, 1997
(81st Day)

10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

The Speaker informed the Assembly that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly had received from the Chief Electoral Officer:

A certificate of the following election and return:

Of Jack Hillson as Member for the Constituency of North Battleford.

(Sessional Paper No. 207)

Jack Hillson, Member for the Constituency of North Battleford, having previously taken the Oath, according to law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the Assembly.

10:05 a.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne, His Honour was then pleased to deliver the following speech:

Mr. Speaker,

Members of the Legislature:

It is my duty to release you from further attendance at the first session of the Twenty-Third Legislature. In thus relieving you, I would like to thank you for the work you have done.

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This Session's work is a cornerstone in building a future of prosperity and security. You have successfully introduced legislation that supports Saskatchewan's growing, diversifying economy and meets people's expectations of strong social programmes and good government. Saskatchewan can look forward to the 21st century with a sense of confidence and security.

You recognized the social and economic importance of the land to the people of Saskatchewan by passing amendments to *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act*. This action added 3,600 acres of crown land to the province's designated wildlife areas, protecting rare and endangered species. In consultation with the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, 21,500 acres were made available to satisfy specific band land entitlements. And now offenders who have disturbed protected wildlife habitat lands must restore and rehabilitate these lands.

You have demonstrated a commitment to sustainable growth in our resource industries by passing *The Forest Resources Management Act*. The legislation provides a strong framework to ensure healthy economic growth is balanced with a healthy forest. It ensures public involvement in all levels of forest management planning, and supports the continued development of co-management and partnership initiatives.

You responded to the recommendations of government, business and consumer groups by passing *The Consumer Protection Act* and *The Direct Sellers Amendment Act, 1996*. These acts offer additional consumer protection for vulnerable groups in society, such as the elderly and recent immigrants; encode quick and effective enforcement mechanisms to deal with businesses that intentionally victimize consumers; and provide new remedies that allow consumers and businesses to resolve their own disputes without going to court.

In keeping with your commitment to high quality education, you improved rules governing the teaching profession by passing amendments to *The Education Act*. These provisions create clear and workable rules to ensure consistent and acceptable hiring practices across the province.

You recognized the vital role that libraries play in education and information by creating a multitype library system that provides seamless service to Saskatchewan people. *The Libraries Co-operation Act* and *The Public Libraries Act* establish a network of university, school, public and special libraries to share service and resources.

Across Saskatchewan there is a deeply held belief that access to health services must be based on need, not the ability to pay. You demonstrated your unwavering endorsement of this principle by passing *The Health Facilities Licensing Act* that prevents the development of a two-tier health system in the province. The government now has the authority to ensure that any future private facility coming to Saskatchewan cannot charge patients for a service that is covered by Saskatchewan Medicare.

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You ensured that donors and health districts would receive the maximum benefits from charitable donations by passing *The Crown Foundation for District Health Boards Act*. This action allows people who donate more than 20 per cent of their net income toward a district health board or affiliate in a given year will receive a tax credit on the entire donation.

You provided new tools to assist parents and children to obtain the support to which they are entitled by passing *The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Amendment Act, 1996*. This legislation strengthens the ability of the Maintenance Enforcement Office to ensure that people who have been ordered by the court to pay child maintenance comply with that order, and includes last resort measures of licence suspensions and utilization of deferred pension funds.

You chose to implement *The Highway and Vehicle Statutes Amendment Act* which is one of the toughest and most comprehensive measures in Canada dealing with drinking and driving. Harsher penalties for impaired drivers and closer monitoring of new drivers will help to reduce traffic accidents, injuries and debts. As well they will help reduce the associated insurance and health care costs.

You reflected your commitment to guarantee that all residents of Saskatchewan will have common access to emergency and protective services by passing *The 911 Emergency Services Act*. This legislation provides an opportunity for municipalities and emergency service providers to work together in the delivery of the service.

You enacted *The Public Disclosure Act* which establishes a workable, effective process to allow for public notification about dangerous offenders in situations where it is necessary. Saskatchewan is the first jurisdiction in Canada to introduce legislation to respond to police requests for help in dealing with the difficult issue of releasing information in these cases. The Act strikes a needed balance by providing for an encouraging full consideration of the concerns of the community as well as the rights of the offender in making a recommendation regarding notification.

You have demonstrated your commitment to good government at all levels by passing a new *Election Act*. The updated and modernized Act extends the right to vote by providing a mechanism for absentee voting and provision of mobile poles; improves access to voters by extending the hours of advance poles; provides for the establishment of a provincial tax credit system for political donations; and establishes a procedure for improving the accuracy of voters' lists and reducing enumeration costs.

You enacted *The Local Government Election Amendment Act* that expands political rights at the local level and enables municipalities and school divisions to use computerized voting and vote counting.

You chose to implement *The Service Districts Act* which provides a new framework for intermunicipal co-operation in the delivery of local services. It gives municipalities the ability to form a service district to achieve efficiencies without restricting or reducing the autonomy or powers of individual municipalities.

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You responded to the request from aboriginal groups that this government honour their constitutional rights by passing *The Interpretation Amendment Act*. This act now contains a clause that clarifies that provincial legislation does not abrogate or derogate treaty rights in any way.

Finally, in taking leave of you, I wish to thank you for the diligent manner in which you have devoted your energies to the activities of the session and wish you the full blessing of Providence.

(Editor's Note: Pursuant to a Ruling of the Chair dated March 10, 1997, the Speaker acknowledged that the prorogation speech, which ended the First Session of the Twenty-Third Legislature contained an error. The speech stated that Bill No. 33--The Service Districts Act, had been implemented. In fact, the said Bill did not pass and was left standing on the order paper.)

The Hon. Mr. Shillington, Provincial Secretary, then said:

It is the will and pleasure of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued until later today, the 6th day of March, 1997 at 2:30 p.m., and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

10:15 a.m.

HON. GLENN HAGEL
Speaker

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The following papers were Tabled with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during the adjournment period June 26, 1996 to March 5, 1997:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 208)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund II Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 209)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund III Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 1995.
(Sessional Paper No. 210)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the New Careers Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1996.
(Sessional Paper No. 211)

Special Report of the Provincial Auditor – Business and Financial Plan for the year ended March 31, 1998.
(Sessional Paper No. 212)

Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1996 (Volumes 1 and 2) and Supplementary Information.
(Sessional Paper No. 213)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Wetland Conservation Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1996.
(Sessional Paper No. 214)

APPENDIX TO JOURNALS

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

MARCH 11, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government the following Question (No. 1), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Regarding Vice President and General Manager of Transmission and Distribution, Mr. Roy Yeske: (1) Could you confirm that Mr. Roy Yeske used a government plane on August 19, 1995 to fly from Regina to Saskatoon? (2) Could you provide details regarding the purpose of this trip? (3) Did anyone else accompany Mr. Yeske on this flight? (4) What is the total cost of this flight?

Answer:

(1) Mr. Yeske flew from Regina to Saskatoon on August 19, 1995 using Executive Air.

(2) The purpose of this trip was to attend the funeral of an employee who was killed on the job August 19, 1995. Larry Lemke, a Journeyman Lineman, was performing maintenance work on a 72 kV transmission line south of Marorie when the accident occurred.

Mr. Lemke was an employee with SaskPower for almost 16 years. He is survived by his wife and three children.

(3) Yes, there was a total of 6 employees, including Mr. Yeske.

(4) Total cost was \$385.20 (\$64.20/person).

Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government the following Question (No. 2), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister responsible for SaskTel, could you please provide the following information regarding Mr. Don Ching: (1) Details of the severance paid out by SaskTel to Mr. Don Ching, including total dollars paid out, any investments or other monetary pay-outs? (2) On what basis was this amount given (i.e. any specific formula based on precedence in other cases)? (3) Who approved Mr. Ching's severance? (4) Was Mr. Ching's entire severance paid by SaskTel?

Answer:

(1) No severance has been paid to Mr. Don Ching.

(2) N/A

(3) N/A

(4) N/A

(5) N/A

MARCH 14, 1996

Ms. Haverstock, asked the Government the following Question (No. 6), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

To the Ministers in charge of Social Services and the Office of the Rentalsman: (1) Is there any limit to the number of security deposits issued to Social Assistance recipients? (2) How much money is owed to the Department of Social Services for re-issued security deposit overpayments?

Answer:

(1) Yes. A security deposit may be provided once in any twenty-four month period. Other deposits provided during the twenty-four month period are assessed as overpayment.

(2) Social Services estimates that approximately \$200,000 in re-issued security deposits are outstanding and in the process of being recovered from entitlement at any point in time.

Mr. Goohsen, asked the Government the following Question (No. 7), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskTel: (1) Have the pay telephones that have been removed from rural southwest areas such as Robsart, Vidora, and Govenlock been replaced? (2) What is the reason for removing the only pay telephones available in the aforementioned areas that have no cell coverage and are located in the heart of the oil and gas industry? (3) How many pay telephones have been removed from rural Saskatchewan over the past six months? (4) What was the reason for the removal of these pay telephones?

Answer:

(1) No. SaskTel has agreed to install a semi-public telephone if the RM or some other community group pays the rent of \$37 plus tax.

(2) SaskTel is currently modifying all pay phones in the province to make them compatible with new digital technology. If a pay phone is generating less than \$50 revenue per month, it is normally removed to reduce labour costs.

It costs about \$1,500 to install a regular pay phone. Maintenance costs vary depending upon the type of pay phone.

Most oil and gas exploration companies have communication facilities available.

(3) In the six-month period from September, 1995 to March 1, 1996, SaskTel has removed 106 pay telephones from rural Saskatchewan. In this case, rural Saskatchewan is defined as being anywhere other than in a city. During the same time period, SaskTel has installed 85 pay telephones in rural Saskatchewan.

- (4) The pay telephones were removed for one of four reasons:
- (a) Less than \$50 revenue per month
 - (b) Customer request
 - (c) Business closed (or burned down)
 - (d) Vandalism

MARCH 15, 1996

Mr. McLane, asked the Government the following Question (No. 8), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) Regarding the Fuel Tax, what percentage of the Projected Revenue generated from the Fuel Tax for the fiscal year 1995-96 will be used for the construction, upkeep and maintenance of the province's highways? (2) Regarding the total projected expenditures on provincial highway construction, upkeep and maintenance programs for fiscal 1995-96, what percentage of that total is projected to be spent on projects that are in the Northern part of the Province, which shall define as being north of the 54th parallel? (3) What is the present status of the Benefit-Cost Analysis Priority Ranking of Provincial Highway Upgrading Projects, commonly known as the "BCA Project Ranking", which ranks the priority which his department assigns to upgrading projects for highways across the province and will he table a copy of the most recent BCA Project Ranking?

Answer:

(1) The revenue generated from the fuel tax is assigned to the General Revenue Funds. Highway expenditures are not tied to fuel tax revenues. Under the current fiscal position, the government's policy is to continue to fund highway construction and preservation in the context of overall provincial priorities.

The 1995-96 fuel taxes are estimated to be in order of \$290 million. The 1995-96 provincial transportation expenditures, including the Department of Highways and Transportation budget, municipal rural revenue sharing and traffic accident health care cost is estimated at \$230 million.

(2) Information on expenditures on highways is maintained by defined highway segments. Department staff have summarized this information on the basis of the two northern electoral districts, rather than on the 54th parallel line.

The estimated expenditures for 1994-95 fiscal year are:

Capital: \$4.4 million or 13 per cent of the 1995-96 estimated capital expenditures.

Preservation and Maintenance: \$13 million or 12.5 per cent of estimated 1995-96 preservation expenditures.

(3) Upgrading candidates are identified by the department, industry, other levels of government and the general public. Highway upgrading candidates are reviewed in a benefit-cost analysis (BCA) framework and ranked for delivery on a provincial basis.

Using the BCA ranking the department selects projects which provide the most benefits to the general users and taxpayers compared to cost. The department's capital program will be guided by the BCA project ranking.

The fall 1995 BCA ranking list 46 projects, with a total cost of \$170 million, with project benefits greater than project costs. The department will be updating the existing projects and adding new candidates in the annual BCA review process to guide development of future years capital programs.

A copy of the listing is provided to members on request.

Mr. D'Autremont, asked the Government the following Question (No. 9), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Regarding SaskPower Commercial: (1) What investments have been made by this company, both inside and outside the province? (2) What projects have been undertaken by this company, both inside and outside the province? (3) With regards to these projects and investments, which have received financing or investment from additional sources besides the company itself and what are the names of these sources? (4) Could you provide details of the amounts invested in SaskPower Commercial projects by outside sources? (5) Could you provide details of additional investments in SaskPower Commercial projects made by other government departments, agencies or Crown corporations?

Answer:

(1) None.

(2) Design review for a third party power plant.

72 kV Line Rebuild

25 MVA Synchronous condenser vibration testing.

ICP training.

Transformer maintenance repair.

Dissolved gas analysis.

Subcontractor to provide hydro maintenance training.

Subcontractor to provide technical assistance for SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) redevelopment.

Subcontractor to perform feasibility studies for co-generation plant.
Part of a consortium of companies who have won a bid to increase energy efficiency in buildings.

(3) None.

(4) N/A. See (3) above.

(5) N/A. See (3) above.

MARCH 18, 1996

Mr. Goohsen asked the Government the following Question (No. 11), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: (1) How many tenders has the government put out under the CIC's Crown construction tendering agreement to date? (2) How many of these tenders apply to rural Saskatchewan? (3) How many of these tenders apply to urban Saskatchewan? (4) What are the specifics of the projects tendered? (5) What is the total cost estimated of all tenders combined?

Answer:

1. Figures are available for the period March, 1995, when the CCTA was introduced to November, 1995, when the construction period ended for the winter. During that time period, 59 tenders were let under the CCTA.
2. There were 23 tenders applicable to rural Saskatchewan.
3. There were 36 tenders applicable to urban Saskatchewan; 16 in Regina and Saskatoon and the remainder in smaller urban centres.
4. Requests for tenders are public documents, available from the Crowns involved.
5. The total value of contracts awarded under the CCTA in this period is \$15,077,647.

MARCH 19, 1996

Ms. Jule, asked the Government the following Question (No. 13), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

Regarding Child Protection Services in Saskatchewan: (1) How many children between the ages of birth to 16 years are under the care of the Department of Social Services? (2) How many child protection workers are presently employed by the Department of Social Services? (3) What is the average caseload for a child protection worker in Saskatchewan?

Answer:

- (1) As of January 31, 1996, there were 2,447 children between the ages of birth to 18 in the care of the Minister.
- (2) There are 105 positions providing child protection services in Saskatchewan.
- (3) Based on 105 positions providing child protection services to 2,793 families in January 1996, the average caseload is 27.

MARCH 20, 1996

Mr. Aldridge, asked the Government the following Question (No. 16), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

Regarding the Department of Finance's \$105,012 1994/95 payment to Phoenix Advertising of Regina: (1) What was the nature of the work performed by Phoenix for the Department of Finance? (2) How did this work benefit the taxpayer? (3) How was this work awarded? (4) What means was used to determine the amount awarded?

Answer:

- (1) The work performed by Phoenix Advertising for the Department of Finance was as follows:
 - (a) Development of the *1995-96 Budget* documents and communication plans - \$63,110
 - (b) Development of an *Education and Health Tax Brochure* advising residents of the rules for paying Education and Health tax on goods brought into the Province. - \$1,058
 - (c) Development of the *1994-95 Public Accounts* documents - \$31,576
 - (d) Development and placement of standard advertisements for 14 career opportunities - \$9,268
- (2) Many of the communications requirements undertaken by the Department of Finance are in compliance with legislative requirements to ensure the public is informed on various issues and initiatives. Saskatchewan taxpayers benefited from this work through the development and communication of the government's budget for 1995-96; through the encouragement of Saskatchewan businesses and jobs and promotion of tax fairness; through communication of the government's fiscal results for the year ended 1994-95; and, through the open competition process for standard hiring practices within the Public Service.
- (3) The Department of Finance account was awarded to Phoenix Advertising Group following a publicly-advertised, competitive tendering process during which 12 Saskatchewan firms applied to

compete for the account. Three of those firms were then short listed and each of the firms was given an opportunity to make a presentation regarding their capability to service the account. The selection panel, consisting of senior government and Finance officials selected the Phoenix Group as the most qualified agency to handle the department's requirements.

(4) As part of the competitive process, all short listed agencies provide a detailed schedule of costs and charges for different services. In addition, the advertising agency is required to provide the Department with cost estimates on all projects and the Department must authorize the expenditure before any work proceeds.

MARCH 21, 1996

Mr. Toth, asked the Government the following Question (No. 15), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister Responsible for Health: (1) Why were Dead on Arrival (DOA) statistics regarding how many people died en route to a hospital, as well as those who were pronounced dead when ambulances arrived not available when requested last year? (2) What is the reason the Minister claims DOA statistics are not available prior to the closing of 52 rural hospitals, and instead, only since 1993? (3) What is the explanation for individuals pronounced DOA increasing between 1993 and 1994 by almost 200?

Answer:

(1) From 1992 to 1994, the department developed and has been implementing a new reporting structure for emergency medical services. This new system is a major enhancement to the system and is beginning to provide the information required for quality assurance and outcome studies. This information will allow us to further enhance the emergency systems on a rational, cost effective and efficient manner.

During implementation the data required to provide the answers requested was fragmented on a number of old and new systems and was not available for analysis in an aggregate form.

(2) Prior to 1993, the patient care reports recorded the status of the ambulance vehicle (i.e.: if the lights and siren were being used if the call was an emergency). The system did not include fields which indicated whether the patient was "Vital Signs Absent (VSA)" at the scene and at the hospital. Medical protocols at the time did not permit ambulance personnel to declare death in the field. Patients who were actually VSA would usually be recorded as a emergency return to a health facility.

The new data system records not only the status of the vehicle response but also the status of the patient at the scene and at the hospital. That change to the system allows us to identify patients who have died prior to arrival or who die or who were revived en route to the hospital.

(3) Implementation of the new system was still in progress in 1993 so a few of the services would be on the old system for part of the year. Information from Vital Statistics, SGI and the Coroner's office show that motor vehicle deaths, other accidental deaths and deaths from natural have been stable with minor fluctuations over the past five to six years.

As the total deaths from all causes increased less than the two hundred shown in our statistics, the difference can largely be explained by the changes in the recording system which is more accurate and more sensitive.

MARCH 26, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont , asked the Government the following Question (No. 22), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

To the Minister Responsible for Labour: Regarding former Labour Relations Board member John R. B. Hobbs: (1) Why did Mr. Hobbs receive an ex-gratia payment of \$4,435 when he was terminated from the Labour Relations Board after five months of service in order to accept a "Crown Counsel 1" position in the Department of Justice? (2) What formula was used to calculate these monies?

Answer:

On July 25, 1995, the Order in Council designating Mr. John Hobb as Vice-Chair of the Saskatchewan Labour Relations Board (SLRB) was not renewed. Mr. Hobbs was entitled to severance at common law based on his 11 years service with the SLRB.

On October 30, 1995, Mr. Hobbs accepted a position as Crown Counsel with the Department of Justice. The rate of pay in the new position was considerably lower than what he had been receiving at the SLRB. By agreement of all parties, Mr. Hobb's appointment was made effective July 26, 1995. The *ex gratia* amount represented the difference between the lower amount of salary he received in his new position and the amount he would have received in his former position for the period July 26 through October 30. The payment is significantly lower than what he would have received had the matter gone to the court.

MARCH 28, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont , asked the Government the following Question (No. 25), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

To the Minister responsible for the Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training. Regarding former employee Mr. Michael A. Nelson: (1) According to OC #140/96 dated March 12, 1996, Michael Nelson retired from his position as an Instructor, Technical Institute Engineer in 1987. Why did Mr. Nelson receive an ex-gratia payment of \$24,000 this month, almost ten years after he resigned from his position? (2) How was Mr. Nelson's payment calculated? (3) Who approved Mr. Nelson's ex-gratia payment?

Answer:

- (1) The payment to Mr. Michael Nelson represents a settlement of a dispute over a non-payment of salary increment, which he initiated prior to his retirement in August 1987.
- (2) As recommended by a special investigator, Mr. Nelson is to be paid \$24,000 in 2 payments: \$16,000 paid in 1996, and \$8,000 to be paid in January 1997. The payment represents full and final settlement of all claims against the Government (except the superannuation payments he is now receiving and will continue to receive in the regular way like other superannuates) any unpaid salary, superannuation that would have been earned by this salary, and any interest costs.
- (3) The Cabinet approved the ex-gratia payment after Mr. Nelson agreed to the settlement proposed by the special investigator.

MARCH 29, 1996

Mr. Goohsen, asked the Government the following Question (No. 27), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

To the Minister responsible for Agriculture: (1) Why is the Agriculture Department delaying the Thickwood Hills Feeder Co-op Ltd. application to raise their borrowing limit to promote cattle production? (2) What is the reason for this delay? (3) Why has the Department suggested the Co-op split into two separate Co-ops in order to capitalize on the three million dollar limit twice, rather than raise the limit?

Answer:

- (1) The resolution by Thickwood Hills Feeder Co-op to increase the maximum amount an association can borrow under the breeder option from \$3M to \$4M was passed at the annual meeting in February 1996.

A change in regulation is needed to provide an increase in maximum loans an association can borrow.

- (2) A regulation amendment to deal with the increase to \$4M on the breeder option will be put forward for approval as soon as possible in order to meet the needs of Thickwood Hills.
- (3) While the option to split membership where an association has reached the maximum loan is available to all associations, it is not an option generally recommended. Associations are advised to authorize growth in membership and amounts each member can borrow in a manner that will allow them to operate within program limits.

APRIL 1, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont, asked the Government the following Question (No. 28), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister responsible for the Municipal Government: Regarding Budget Day (1) What managers from the Municipal Government Department have been instructed to "fan out" in rural areas on budget day or shortly after? (2) To what locations are these employees/managers being sent? (3) What is the purpose behind the Minister asking these individuals to "fan out" in rural areas?

Answer:

- (1) Mr. Nick Surtees, Executive Director, Protection Services and Mr. Rick McCullough, Fire Commissioner, travelled to regional offices on budget day.
- (2) Mr. Surtees travelled to North Battleford. Mr. McCullough travelled to Melville and Yorkton.
- (3) The purpose of their trips were to advise affected employees of abolishments and job transfers.

APRIL 2, 1996

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 31) which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1992-93? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation. The Capital Expenditures for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation in fiscal year 1992 were \$407,729.00

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 32), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1993-94? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation. The Capital Expenditures for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation in fiscal year 1993 were \$1,665,670.00

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 33), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1994-95? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation. The Capital Expenditures for the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation in fiscal year 1994 were \$17,494,962.00

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 36), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1992-93? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for Saskatchewan Government Insurance. The Capital Expenditures were \$1,133,270.00

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 37), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1993-94? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) December 31, 1993 is the fiscal year end for Saskatchewan Government Insurance. There were no capital projects in this period.

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 38), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Government Insurance: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1994-95? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) December 31, 1994 is the fiscal year end for Saskatchewan Government Insurance. The Capital Expenditures were \$260,508.00

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 41), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1992-93? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) SaskPower records are maintained on a calendar basis rather than fiscal. The amount for 1992 was \$47.763 M.

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 42), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation:

(1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1993-94? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) SaskPower records are maintained on a calendar year basis rather than fiscal. The total amount for 1993 is \$62.02 million.

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 43), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation:

(1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1994-95? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) SaskPower records are maintained on a calendar year basis rather than fiscal. The total amount for 1994 is \$58.004 million.

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 46), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan

Telecommunications: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1992-93? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) \$3.3 million

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 47), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan

Telecommunications: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1993-94? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) \$4.75 million
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 48), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Telecommunications: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1994-95? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) \$11.7 million
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 51), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1992-93? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for STC. There were no capital projects in this year.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 52), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1993-94? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for STC. There were no capital projects in this year.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 53), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Anguish:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Transportation Company: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1994-95? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for STC. The Capital Expenditures for 1994 were \$1,027,357.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 56), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1992-93? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation. The capital expenditures in fiscal year 1992 were \$7,492,525.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 57), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1993-94? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation. The capital expenditures in fiscal year 1993 were \$6,157,786.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 58), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation:

(1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1994-95? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) December 31 is the fiscal year end for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation. The capital expenditures in fiscal year 1994 were \$5,561,576.

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 61), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the SaskEnergy Incorporated:

(1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1992-93? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in SaskEnergy's fiscal year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31) 1992 was \$5,679,641.

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 62), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the SaskEnergy Incorporated:

(1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1993-94? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

(1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in SaskEnergy's fiscal year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31) 1993 was \$6,721,303.

(2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 63), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) What was the total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in the fiscal year 1994-95? (2) If the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement was in place at that time how much of that total would have been subject to the CCTA?

Answer:

- (1) The total amount of tenders for capital asset construction activity in SaskEnergy's fiscal year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31) 1994 was \$25,701,903.
- (2) N/A

APRIL 10, 1996

Mr. Heppner, asked the Government the following Question (No. 66), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister responsible for Education. Regarding funding for the province's K-12 system: (1) What will be the total cost to school boards if Saskatchewan teachers receive a two percent increase in salary as a result of the current contract negotiations? (2) Does the Minister intend to honour her commitment to cover all increased costs to school divisions, including hikes to salaries and benefits for teachers?

Answer:

- (1) A tentative agreement has been reached in the negotiations. Details of this agreement are not being released by the parties until after a ratification vote. It would be inappropriate to speculate about potential costs of a collective agreement at this point.
- (2) The Government of Saskatchewan will fully honour commitments it has made to school divisions with respect to any teacher salary costs associated with a new provincial collective agreement.

APRIL 16, 1996

Mr. Boyd, asked the Government the following Question (No. 68), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. MacKinnon:

To the Minister of Finance: Regarding all government employees superannuation plans (1) Which, if any, superannuation plans have purchased Cameco shares? (2) What is the total dollar value of these purchases? (3) What was the price per share of these sales?

Answer:

(1) There are a number of government employee superannuation plans across government, however the Department of Finance is responsible for the administration of only seven of these plans. Of those plans which fall under the purview of the Department, the following have purchased CAMECO shares:

Public Employees Superannuation Plan

Municipal Employees Superannuation Plan

Workers Compensation Board Superannuation Plan

MLA Superannuation Plan

STC Superannuation Plan

Judges of the Provincial Court Superannuation Plan

Liquor Board Superannuation Plan

(2) \$5,261,899.25

(3) These pension assets are managed by external arms-length counsellors and will remain in the funds until the manager(s) of each fund decide to sell the shares.

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (No. 69), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

To the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training: (1) Has there been an in-depth study into the effects on student enrollment, success rates and program completions in the regions affected by the amalgamation of the northern career colleges into the Northlands Career College in La Ronge? (2) Is there a planned commitment to ensure that the Westside Community College Program based in Buffalo Narrows will continue to get its fair allocation of training dollars for that particular region?

Answer:

(1) In the last two completed academic years, 1993-94 and 1994-95, enrolments in programs and related completion rates were as follows:

	Enrolments		Completion		Completion Rate	
	93-94	94-95	93-94	94-95	93-94	94-95
Western	558	619	457	544	82 %	88 %
Eastern	415	365	336	274	81 %	75 %
Central	571	662	439	559	77 %	84 %
Far North	196	111	158	84	89 %	76 %

Success Rates/Student Follow-up

Data for the 1994-95 academic year indicates that for ABE, skills training and multi-party training plan programs, there were 564 students enrolled. Of these students, 336 completed their training; 116 are employed while 118 have gone on to further training. (Most of the students who have gone on for further training were those who successfully completed their Adult 12.)

For the 1994-95 program year, based on a survey conducted four months after the training, 70% of the students who completed their programs were either employed or had gone on to further training.

Since the inception of the Multi-Party Training Plan in 1993, 577 students have enrolled in mine-related training. Excluding the students who are currently enrolled in 1995-96 programs, 250 students from 1993-94 and 1994-95 have been employed.

The majority of these students are working for mining companies or are employed in businesses which provide support services to the mines. Other graduates are employed for a number of bands as well as in other fields.

(2) Yes, the government is committed to ensuring that equitable funding for training continues to be allocated towards the western region of the Northlands Community College.

In five of the years since 1987-88, program expenditures for the westside exceeded those of the central region. In only two years since the amalgamation of the three northern colleges in 1987-88 were program funding levels for the west side below the 1986-87 funding level of the Westside Community College.

The board members of the college are responsible for ensuring programming decisions are made in a manner that benefits the overall training and education needs of the entire North. It is also important to recognize that a considerable portion of the central region expenditure are used to support programs delivered throughout the north.

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (70), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

To the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training: (1) What are the total operating, maintenance and construction costs for the training centre and office building of the Northlands Career College in La Ronge? (2) How was the construction of this building financed? (3) Have any educational program dollars been redirected to cover some of the costs of construction, operating and maintenance of the Northlands Career College?

Answer:

(1) The construction cost of the Program Centre was \$2.5M, the renovation cost of the shops and administration building was \$0.7M, for a total cost of \$3.2M.

The total annual operating cost is \$121,000; \$107,000 is charged to programs and \$14,000 to administration.

The cost is allocated, on a square meter basis, on the use of the building; classroom usage represents almost 90% of the space.

Minor repairs and maintenance are included in the annual operating costs.

(2) A capital grant from the department provided most of the funding; the college funded a portion of the costs.

(3) Program funds used to cover operating costs for program facilities are calculated on a consistent basis for all facilities, including buildings in Buffalo Narrows, Creighton and other locations. (These costs include: utilities, janitorial, minor repairs, etc.)

APRIL 17, 1996

Mr. McLane, asked the Government the following Question (No. 71), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

To the Minister of Agriculture: Regarding the Minister's participation in the Team Canada Agri-food Mission to several countries along the Pacific Rim, scheduled from April 6th to April 23rd of this year: (1) What other Saskatchewan government officials will be accompanying the Minister on the said trade mission? (2) What department is paying for the government's cost of the said trade mission? (3) What is the projected cost of the Saskatchewan government officials participation in the said trade mission? (4) What private companies from Saskatchewan are accompanying the Minister on the said trade mission? (5) What department is paying for the cost of the Saskatchewan private companies' participation in the said trade mission? (6) What are the projected costs to be incurred by the private Saskatchewan companies participating in the said trade mission?

Answer:

- (1) Dr. Murray McLaughlin, Deputy Minister, Agriculture and Food; Lynn Gidluck, Senior Ministerial Assistant, Agriculture and Food; Nick Diamond, Trade Development Officer, Economic Development
- (2) Department of Agriculture and Food and Department of Economic Development
- (3) \$55,000
- (4) Humboldt Flour Mills, Saskatchewan Pulse Crop Development Board, Thomson Meats, Ltd., Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, X-Can Grain, and Canpotex.
- (5) None
- (6) Due to the fact that the Government of Saskatchewan is not incurring any costs for these private firms, figures are not known.

APRIL 18, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont, asked the Government the following Question (No. 72), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister of Economic Development: (1) What are the services of SRnet Saskatchewan Research Network? (2) What is the expected disposition of the \$36,000 granted to this business through Order-in-Council 175/96? (3) Who is the anticipated clientele of the communications research network?

Answer:

(1) SRnet is a new regional, high-speed network created to assist Saskatchewan's information technology sector with its testing of new digital communications technologies and applications. Once it is fully operational, the network will enable university and private sector researchers to test their hardware and software products, network monitoring and support products, teaching and multimedia products, etc.

SRnet is a consortium established by Saskatchewan Economic Development, SaskTel, the Universities of Saskatchewan and Regina and TRILabs. It is also linked to, and will access funding from, a national testbed network operated by the Canadian Network for the Advancement of Research, Industry and Education (CANARIE).

(2) The \$36,000 given to SRnet by Saskatchewan Economic Development is a one-time grant to be applied towards start-up costs.

(3) Anticipated clientele of the communication research network include universities, government institutions, companies developing communication hardware and software products or content, and any corporation/businesses heavily dependent on information technology in their operation. These clients may join the consortium by paying membership fees. SRnet is intended for research use only - it will not be permitted to carry commercial traffic.

APRIL 19, 1996

Mr. McPherson, asked the Government the following Question (No. 74), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for SaskPower: Regarding the Management Conference in Banff attended by Carol Bryant, the Vice-President of Corporate Affairs for SaskPower: (1) What is the focus of this conference? (2) What is the fee to attend this conference? (3) Why is Carol Bryant there? (4) What is the full cost to Saskatchewan taxpayers to send Carol Bryant to this conference in Banff? (5) Does the fee include lift tickets?

Answer:

- (1) The 1996 Banff Management Course is an intensive four-day workshop focusing on the following:
Managing in an Environment of Change
Development Superior Work Groups
Becoming an Effective Team Leader
Productivity and Time-Management
Working with People
Improving Memory and Concentration
Reducing Stress and its Effects.
The Course is internationally recognized and awards 2.2 CEU's (certified educational units) to each participant who successfully completes the course.
- (2) The fee for the four-day conference is \$1,595. It includes registration fee, tuition, the complete materials package, room accommodation, and all meals.
- (3) Ms. Bryant was at the conference in her capacity as Vice-President of Corporate Affairs.
- (4) The majority of the cost was involved in registration (see response #2). Other amounts equalled \$206.96 for a total cost of the trip of \$1801.69 (including registration).
- (5) No.

APRIL 25, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont, asked the Government the following Question (No. 76), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister of Municipal Government: What was the revenue collected by the province from municipalities for the 1995-96 fiscal year for: (1) the Hospital Revenue tax; (2) the Public Health levy; and (3) the Social Services levy?

Answer:

(1) Municipalities operate on a calendar year. The amounts collected refer to the 1995 calendar year.

Hospital Revenue Tax: \$363,374 (paid to the province by municipalities with no agreements to pay the health levy directly to the Health District). \$12,824,665 (Health Levy paid by municipalities directly to the Health Districts).

(2) Public Health Levy (Based on 1995 calendar year): \$2,492,584 (includes \$1.1 million each from Regina and Saskatoon, plus \$292,584 for all other municipalities).

(3) Saskatchewan Assistance Plan: \$2,606,391.

Ms. Draude, asked the Government the following Question (No. 77), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister of SaskTel: (1) How does SaskTel determine the areas of coverage for cellular service? (2) What is the status of the town of Kelvington in SaskTel's plan for providing cellular service?

Answer:

(1) Each year SaskTel Mobility completes an extensive market analysis of the areas in the province which do not yet have cellular service. This is to determine the economic viability of providing cellular service in these locations.

(2) SaskTel has completed its expansion plans for 1996. Due consideration will be given to all areas without cellular service, including Kelvington, when further expansion is planned.

MAY 1, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont , asked the Government the following Question (No. 79), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Upshall:

To the Minister of Agriculture: Regarding the extension of the Minister's current trade mission to the Pacific Rim: (1) What are the reasons for the extension and the business undertaken during that period? (2) What is the total additional cost of the trade mission incurred as a result of the extension?

Answer:

(1) The Minister's business in the middle east was not extended. Before the trade mission to the Pacific Rim began, it was established that the Minister would meet with the Taiwanese government and private sector officials to promote the sale of Saskatchewan agricultural products, to encourage Taiwanese investment in Saskatchewan, and to promote the sale of Saskatchewan health care technology to Taiwanese health care managers.

The Taiwan meetings were ones that the Minister of Economic Development identified as being necessary. Because the Minister of Agriculture and Food was in the area, it was considered cost effective to have him attend these meetings rather than have the Minister of Economic Development make a separate trip.

(2) The cost has been included in the \$55,000 estimate.

MAY 3, 1996

Ms. Draude, asked the Government the following Question (No. 83), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister of SaskPower: Regarding the SaskPower magazine *HiLines*: (1) How many copies of the magazine are produced? (2) What was the total cost of production for the April 1996 issue? (3) What was the total cost of distribution for the April 1996 issue? (4) How much was spent on the magazine in the last fiscal year? (5) Is the production/design done in-house or contracted out? If it is contracted out, who produces it? (6) Who is the printer? Was this contract tendered? (7) How many employees are involved in producing the magazine? (8) What are those employees' salaries?

Answer:

- (1) 4,300 copies are produced.
- (2) 7,378.00
- (3) 1,383.89
- (4) The cost of production in 1995 was \$44,961.00
- (5) The publication is produced and designed in-house.
- (6) Houghton Boston Printers of Saskatoon prints *HiLines*. The tender was awarded to the lowest bidder in 1995.
- (7) Two employees are involved in producing the magazine, which represents a small portion of their job responsibilities.
- (8) Salaries:
Employee Communication Coordinator – \$3,625 per month
Graphic Designer – \$2,923 per month

MAY 6, 1996

Mr. Boyd, asked the Government the following Question (No. 84), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Justice. Regarding the Kerrobert Court House: (1) How much money is the Department expecting to save by closing the Kerrobert Court House? (2) How many overall court appearances were made at the Kerrobert Court House in 1995? (3) How many Court of Queen's Bench court actions and/or procedures were dealt with at the Kerrobert Court House in 1995?

Answer:

- (1) The Department of Justice is expected to save between \$83,900 - \$85,100 on an annual basis.
- (2) There were 510 provincial court appearances made at the Kerrobert Court House in 1995.
- (3) There were the following number of court actions and/or procedures dealt with in Queen's Bench at the Kerrobert Court House in 1995:

- By notice of motion	111
- Ex Parte	215
- Trials	<u>6</u>
- Total	332

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (No. 85), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

To the Minister responsible for Northern Affairs. With regards to Health Care in Northern Saskatchewan: (1) At what stage of development are the Northern Health Districts and District Health Boards? (2) When are these District Health Boards expected to be in place? (3) Can any Northern Communities, apart from La Ronge, expect to see new health centres in the near future? (4) What percentage of the cost of the proposed health centre in La Ronge will be provincially funded, what percentage will be federally funded?

Answer:

(1) The four district planning committees have submitted their recommendation for district formation to Saskatchewan Health. Officials with Saskatchewan Health are reviewing the proposal right now.

(2) It is anticipated interim district health boards will be appointed during the next couple of months.

(3) The provincial government has approved the proposal for a new Athabasca Health Facility and unified health authority to proceed to the next stages of planning, provided certain provincial conditions such as access and land security are met. The Athabasca Health Management Steering Committee are meeting to begin the next steps. Also, the West Side Health Programs and Facility Planning Committee, comprised of representatives from West Side communities and government officials, intends to complete its review of services and facilities by the end of June, 1996 and submit recommendations to Saskatchewan Health.

(4) The new La Ronge Health Centre was officially opened on April 26, 1996. Capital construction costs were provincially funded at 72 per cent of total capital cost with the federal government providing 28 per cent. Community fundraising and corporate sponsorship provided another 1.16 per cent for furnishings and equipment. Operational costs for the health centre and its services are all through provincial funds.

MAY 8, 1996

Mr. Krawetz, asked the Government the following Question (No. 86), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister responsible for SGI: (1) How many claims has SGI received as a result of deer damage to vehicles in the fiscal year 1994? (2) How many of these claims have been settled? (3) What was the total expense to settle the claims made in the fiscal year 1994?

Answer:

- (1) Numbers are for both SGI and SGI Canada, and there is no breakdown by type of animal or bird. In 1994 there were 8,900 animal and bird collisions.
- (2) Most collision claims are settled within 90 days of being registered.
- (3) Total damages were estimated to be \$13 million.

Mr. Krawetz, asked the Government the following Question (No. 87), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister responsible for SGI: (1) How many claims has SGI received as a result of deer damage to vehicles in the fiscal year 1995? (2) How many of these claims have been settled? (3) What was the total expense to settle the claims made in the fiscal year 1995?

Answer:

- (1) Numbers are for both SGI and SGI Canada, and there is no breakdown by type of animal or bird. In 1995 there were 9,400 animal and bird collisions.
- (2) Most collision claims are settled within 90 days of being registered.
- (3) Total damages were estimated to be \$14 million.

MAY 9, 1996

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (No. 89), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

To the Minister responsible for the former Saskatchewan Computer Utility Corporation, what was the total dollar value of the sale of the corporation's assets and liabilities to the information Systems Management Corporation in February of 1988?

Answer:

(1) As recorded in the 1988 SaskComp Annual Report, on February 23, 1988 SaskComp sold most of its assets and liabilities to Secore Computers Inc. for \$16.5 million. Effective February 24, 1988 Westbridge Computer Corporation, now ISM, purchased all of the assets of Secore for \$16.8 million.

Ms. Draude, asked the Government the following Question (No. 90), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

To the Minister of Economic Development. Regarding the document Partnership for Growth: (1) How many copies of the document were produced? (2) What was the total cost of production? (3) What was the total cost of distribution? (4) Was the production/design done in-house or contracted out? If it was contracted out, who produces it? (5) Who was the printer? Was this contract tendered? (6) How many employees were involved in producing the document?

Answer:

(1) 8,000 to date.
(2) \$30,470.00.
(3) \$5,900.00.
(4) The production/design was handled under contract by Cooper, Quine and Fraser.
(5) The printer was Printco Graphics, selected through the tender process under the normal print procurement procedures.
(6) One.

Ms. Draude, asked the Government the following Question (No. 91), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister of SaskWater. Regarding the SaskWater audit document: (1) How many copies of the document were produced? (2) What was the total cost of production? (3) What was the total cost of distribution? (4) Was the production/design done in-house or contracted out? If it was contracted out, who produces it? (5) Who was the printer? Was this contract tendered? (6) How many employees were involved in producing the document?

Answer:

- (1) 1,500 copies were produced.
- (2) The total cost of production was \$13,230.25.
- (3) The total cost of distribution was \$1,200.00.
- (4) Preparation of the written material and basic design was done in-house. Final design and production was contracted out to Smith & Smith Public Relations and Advertising of Saskatoon, Sask Water's agency of record.
- (5) The annual report was printed by Houghton Boston Printers. Smith & Smith Public Relations and Advertising was responsible for procuring the printer.
- (6) Two employees were mainly involved in initial design and editing of the material for the report as a small part of their regular duties.

Ms. Draude, asked the Government the following Question (No. 92), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

To the Minister responsible for Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund Management Corporation. Regarding the year end report: (1) How many copies of the document were produced? (2) What was the total cost of production? (3) What was the total cost of distribution? (4) Was the production/design done in-house or contracted out? If it was contracted out, who produces it? (5) Who was the printer? Was this contract tendered? (6) How many employees were involved in producing the document?

Answer:

- (1) 750 copies were produced.
- (2) \$2,056.18.
- (3) Nil.
- (4) The annual report was produced in conjunction with Cooper Quine and Fraser.
- (5) Printco Graphics was awarded the tender.
- (6) Seven employees were involved in producing the document, which represents a small portion of their job responsibilities.

Mr. Boyd, asked the Government the following Question (No. 93), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Justice. Regarding independent prosecutor Chris Evans' report on SaskTrust/Dean Mattison investigation: (1) On what date did the Justice Department refer the Dean Mattison issue to an independent prosecutor? (2) On what date did the Deputy Minister of Justice receive the independent prosecutor's report? (3) What was the total amount paid to the independent prosecutor to conduct this investigation and report? (4) What specific mandate and/or guidelines were given by the Justice Department to the independent prosecutor regarding this case? (5) Was the independent prosecutor given all documentation regarding the SaskTrust issue, including information about each lawyer involved and how many transactions they handled individually?

Answer:

(1) The Deputy Attorney General referred the Dean Mattison matter to an independent prosecutor on April 3, 1995.

(2) The Deputy Attorney General received the independent prosecutor's report dated June 28, 1995 on June 29, 1995.

(3) Chris Evans received \$36,829.94 and Patrick Fagan received \$6,427.00 in compensation. Mr. Evans retained the professional services of Patrick Fagan to research several legal questions that arose during the course of the review.

(4) The mandate given to Mr. Evans was to review and provide an opinion regarding the conclusion of the RCMP with respect to criminal involving Mr. Harold Dean Mattison.

(5) The independent prosecutor was given all documentation regarding the SaskTrust issue that involved Dean Mattison. Mr. Mattison was the only person involved whose case required that the matter be referred to counsel outside the department.

MAY 15, 1996

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (No. 95), it was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

To the Minister Responsible for the Sask. Housing Corporation. Regarding provincially funded housing in northern Saskatchewan: (1) How many housing units are administered and owned by the Northern Administration District? (2) How many of these housing units are mortgaged and how many are rented? (3) What is the total amount of money derived by Sask. Housing from these mortgaged and rented homes in one fiscal year? (4) What portion, if any of this money, is from reserve or northern municipal communities? (5) What is the annual administration fee charged by the province for the administration of these northern housing units? (6) Given the anticipated increase in demand for northern housing in the next few years, what long term planning does Sask. Housing have in place to meet those needs?

Answer:

(1) Municipal Government Housing Division (MGHD) manages 2,066 units in the north. The province owns 1336 units either solely, or in partnership with the federal government.

(2) 1336 units are rental units.
730 units are mortgaged.

(3) In any given year, approximately 14 per cent of the total operating costs of the northern housing stock - or \$4.15 million dollars - is received in rents/mortgage payments from the northern housing tenants.

(4) No money is received from reserves. Less than one per cent (.004%) is received from northern municipalities.

(5) The province receives \$578/unit to administer rental units and \$268/unit to administer mortgage units in the Rural and Native Housing Program from the federal government. These funds are used by the Province and the regional housing authorities to administer the housing units, but does not include such tasks as managing client replacements or renovations to northern mortgage units. No administration fee is charged by the province to the municipalities for the management of the social housing units.

(6) The Province is continuing to discuss the future funding and partnership framework with the Federal Government.

MAY 16, 1996

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (No. 96), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

To the Minister Responsible for Northern Affairs, with regards to natural gas exploration in the north: (1) Have any permits been allowed for the exploration of natural gas in the Northern Administration District? (2) If there have, what areas are being explored and by which companies or corporations? (3) Are there any corporations in Northern Saskatchewan that receive a subsidy, grant or forgivable loan for operations in the North? (4) In the event of future exploration of any resource in the Northern Administration District, will the minister advise this House and Northern Residents in advance of the proposed exploration?

Answer:

(1) Yes. A large part of the area between Meadow Lake Provincial Park and the Primrose Lake Air Weapons Range is covered by oil and gas exploration permits and leases.

(2) The principal companies involved in oil and gas exploration in this area are Wascana Energy Inc., Grad and Walker Energy Corporation, Jordan Petroleum Ltd., Renaissance Energy Ltd., Rio Alto Exploration Transwest Energy Inc. and Venator Petroleum Co. Ltd.

(3) No.

(4) The Department of Environment and Resource Management reviews all exploration plans on Crown lands in northern Saskatchewan. The current environmental review process also provides an opportunity for community input and commentary on resource development where there may be a significant environmental impact.

MAY 17, 1996

Mr. Boyd, asked the Government the following Question (No. 98), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for SaskPower: (1) How much is SaskPower paying per month to lease the new Toyota Avalon being driven by SaskPower president Jack Messer? (2) Does Mr. Messer have an option to purchase this car at the end of the lease and, if so, what are the terms of this purchase option? (3) How much is SaskPower paying a month to lease the new Toyota Camry being driven by Carole Bryant? (4) Does Ms. Bryant have an option to purchase this car at the end of the lease and, if so, what are the terms of this purchase option?

Answer:

- (1) SaskPower is not leasing the vehicle being driven by Mr. Messer.
- (2) The vehicle is not leased by SaskPower and there is no basis for requiring Mr. Messer to disclose the terms of his personal lease.
- (3) SaskPower is not leasing the vehicle being driven by Ms. Bryant.
- (4) The vehicle is not leased by SaskPower and there is no basis for requiring Ms. Bryant to disclose the terms of her personal lease.

MAY 23, 1996

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (No. 103), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Renaud:

To the Minister Responsible for Highways and Transportation. With regards to highway maintenance in the north: (1) How many kilometers of roads exist in northern Saskatchewan? (2) What is the ratio of kilometers of roads to maintenance staff in the north, and in the rest of the province? (3) What is the total budget for northern roads? (4) How much of this budget is spent on administration and how much is spent on actual maintenance? (5) What is the location of highway depots in northern Saskatchewan? (6) Which of these are slated for closure? (7) How does your department determine which roads are a priority for maintenance and which roads are not? (8) Has the government considered contracting out road maintenance to communities or private companies?

Answer:

- (1) The department maintains 4625 kilometres of road in the north. There are a total of 26,041 kilometres of roads in the province.
- (2) In the "north" there are approximately 54 kilometres of road per maintenance employee. In the "south" there are approximately 48 kilometres of road per maintenance employee.
- (3) The total maintenance budget for northern roads is \$8,500,000.
- (4) Approximately \$1,003,100 of the maintenance budget in the north is spent on administration.
- (5) There are maintenance depots located at:

Caribou Creek	Besnard Lake	Murison Lake
Cumberland House	Pinehouse	Stony Rapids
Green Lake	La Ronge	Uranium City
Creighton	Pelican Narrows	
Puskwakau River	Beauval	
Geikie River	Buffalo Narrows	
Jct. 102/905	La Loche	

(6) None of the existing maintenance depots are slated for closure at this time

(7) The department develops its maintenance budget with a system that considers the existing condition of a particular road, level of service to be provided and the available funding. The objective is to achieve a specified level of service with a minimum long term cost to the department.

(8) The department has contracted some maintenance activities to companies, individuals and communities such as airport maintenance and gravel road blading where it was cost effective and did not negatively affect existing employees.

Ms. Julé, asked the Government the following Question (No. 104), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

To the Minister Responsible for Sask. Water. With regards to the Humboldt-Wakaw Water Pipeline: (1) Where do the funds for this pipeline come from? (2) Could you please provide a breakdown of the \$201,000 that your department has quoted in a letter to the R.M. of Fish Creek as the cost to install the additional 3" pipeline for treated water? (3) Could you please provide a written explanation of why the cost per unit has been set at \$15.22 per thousand gallons of treated water for people in the R.M. of Fish Creek? (4) Why is this double the price that others pay for treated water from this same pipeline?

Answer:

(1) The construction cost of the Wakaw-Humboldt Regional Water Supply Project is funded by three sources: Canada/Saskatchewan Infrastructure Program grant (\$2.8 million); Canada Saskatchewan Partnership Agreement on Water Based Economic Development grant (\$3.8 million); and Sask Water debt financing (\$25.8 million). Sask Water will recover the debt financing from the system users through water use charges.

(2) The construction cost of the 17.6 kilometre long pipeline are: materials - \$58,000; installation - \$135,000; engineering - \$8,000. Total estimated cost of \$201,000.

(3) The \$15.22 rate is required to cover the operation and maintenance costs as well as to recover the Sask Water's debt financing portion of the initial capital cost. The debt financing requirements is based on receiving an upfront connection charge of \$84,000 if financial assistance is provided by the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA) and \$113,250 if no assistance is provided by PFRA. The methodology used to calculate the charge for the stand alone project was the same as that used for the main project.

(4) The 75 mm pipeline for the R.M. of Fish Creek was determined by a stand alone project similar to all the other potential rural water distribution systems that may connect to the Wakaw-Humboldt Regional Water Supply System. Based on this understanding the rate calculated includes the basic system charge of \$6.13 per sales unit plus an additional \$9.09 per sales unit to cover the additional operation, maintenance and initial capital cost of the 75 mm pipeline. Other stand alone distribution projects are expected to be constructed and operated by locally owned water user cooperatives, utility boards, or municipalities.

MAY 27, 1996

Mr. Aldridge, to ask the Government the following Question (No. 107), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments. Regarding the Crown Investments Corporation's interest in HARO Financial Corporation: (1) What was the amount of cash flow generated by HARO in the first quarter of 1996? (2) What was the amount of net earnings or losses generated by HARO in the first quarter of 1996?

Answer:

(1) HARO Financial Corporation is a private business entity, of which CIC is just a shareholder. We do not disclose the financial status of private companies. It is their responsibility to do their own financial reporting through their statements and annual reports.
(2) As above.

MAY 28, 1996

Mr. Aldridge, asked the Government the following Question (No. 108), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investments. Regarding the Crown Investments Corporation's loan agreements with HARO Financial Corporation: (1) What was the amount of cash flow generated by HARO during 1995 according to CIC's calculations respecting those loans? (2) What was the amount of net earnings or losses generated by HARO in 1995 according to CIC's calculations respecting those loans?

Answer:

(1) HARO Financial Corporation is a private business entity, of which CIC is just a shareholder. We do not disclose the financial status of private companies. It is their responsibility to do their own financial reporting through their statements and annual reports.

(2) As above.

MAY 29, 1996

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (No. 109), which was answered by the Hon Mr. Shillington:

To the Minister responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated regarding order-in-council 283/96: (1) Why did order-in-council 797/94 have to be amended to read \$775,000 instead of \$718,700? (2) What is the reason for the additional funding of \$56,300?

Answer:

(1) Section 19(4) of The SaskEnergy Act requires the Corporation to obtain the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council where the purchase price of real property exceeds \$200,000.

(2) At the time of the granting of Order in Council Number 797/94, dated December 17, 1994, it was contemplated that TransGas would pay a purchase price of \$718,700.00 to Enron Oil Canada Ltd. for the Enron Fire Tower pipeline. This purchase price was determined as a result of the allocation of certain responsibilities to TransGas in the completion of construction of the pipeline tie-in-to the TransGas system, including securing land entitlement and subsequent registration. This is in accordance with TransGas' standard producer-builds policy. Due to changed circumstances on site and to accommodate timelines, Enron proposed to complete a number of these associated activities, instead of TransGas. Consequently, these originally-anticipated costs to be incurred by TransGas would now be incurred by Enron. As a result, compensation to Enron for the acquisition of the pipeline had to be adjusted to reflect this.

MAY 30, 1996

Ms. Julé, asked the Government the following Question (No. 110), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister responsible for SPMC. With regards to property leased by the provincial government: (1) What are the lease arrangements for the Saskatchewan Health and the Environment and Resource Management offices located on 5th Avenue in Humboldt? (2) How much is paid monthly to lease the aforementioned properties? (3) How much is the government of Saskatchewan paying to lease the building that houses the Rural Farm Service Centre in Humboldt? (4) How much is the government paying to lease property in the town of Wakaw? (5) What are the addresses of the properties in Wakaw that are currently being leased by the government? (6) How much is paid monthly to lease the aforementioned properties? (7) What properties are being leased by the government of Saskatchewan in the town of Cudworth? (8) How much is paid monthly to lease these properties in Cudworth? (9) From whom are these properties in Humboldt, Wakaw and Cudworth leased?

Answer:

- (1) To accommodate Saskatchewan Health and SERM, SPMC has a five-year lease agreement with Graphic Arts Printing Limited in a building located at 903 - 5th Avenue in Humboldt.
- (2) The Minister responsible for SPMC does not disclose the rental rates for specific buildings because:
 - it involves disclosing third-party economic information that harms the competitive advantage for firms who do business with SPMC;
 - it is a longstanding policy that has always been advocated by private sector parties.
- (3) see answer (2)
- (4) see answer (2)
- (5) SPMC leases space in the Wakaw Town Office located at 121 Main Street.
- (6) see answer (2)
- (7) SPMC does not lease any properties in Cudworth.
- (8) see answer (2)
- (9) In Humboldt, the 5th Avenue property is leased from Graphic Arts Printing Limited; in Wakaw, the Main Street property is leased from the Town of Wakaw, in Cudworth, no space is leased.

JUNE 4, 1996

Mr. Belanger, asked the Government the following Question (No. 111), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Shillington:

To the Minister of Finance, with regards to revenues generated by the Northern Mining Sector: (1) What has been the total revenue generated to the province as a result of mining activity in Saskatchewan in 1995? (2) What are the anticipated revenues to the province for 1996 in light of new mines that are proposed? (3) What portion of these revenues will go to support infrastructure needs to support the mining sector in the north (ie. road and airport construction)? (4) What concessions have been made to attract mining companies into northern Saskatchewan? (5) What amount of revenue do you anticipate for 1996 with regards to natural gas exploration and activity in the north?

Answer:

(1) It is not possible to accurately estimate the total level of revenues generated as a result of mining activity, as many of the taxes and charges levied by the province are not tracked on an industry basis. For example, Corporate Income Tax is calculated on corporate basis, and diversified companies do not estimate what percentage is in respect of their other activities. Total direct revenue to the province from royalties related to mining activity in the north, however, is estimated to be \$21.5 million for fiscal 1995-96.

(2) Total direct revenue to the province from royalties related to mining activity in the north for fiscal 1996-97 is estimated to be \$24.0 million. However, this figure does not include any revenue from new mine proposals as none of these are expected to be operational before the end of fiscal 1996-97.

(3) All revenues from mining activity in the north go into the General Revenue Fund of the province, and this money is allocated by department according to the priorities determined during the annual budget development process. As a result, no accurate estimate of specific infrastructure spending for the northern mining sector is available.

(4) No specific concessions have been made to attract mining companies to invest in northern Saskatchewan, however the existing royalty structures for mining generally allow deduction of exploration and development expenses associated with new mines from provincial royalties payable.

(5) A detailed breakdown of provincial revenue from natural gas exploration and development activity in the Northern Administration District is unavailable, however it is estimated to be very small relative to total natural gas revenue for the province.

JUNE 14, 1996

Mr. D'Autremont, asked the Government the following Question (No. 112), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Justice: Why were the following Criminal Code charges stayed: (1) Charge #1692225 re. Steve Connelly? (2) Charge #1753412 re. Tim Zakreski? (3) Charge #1753413 re. Tim Zakreski?

Answer:

(1) A search of Prosecution records, as well as the J.A.I.N. computer system (which lists all of the charges and how they have been dealt with), reveals no trace of Information #1692225 with respect to a charge against Mr. Connelly, the Regional Crown Prosecutor in Regina. As far as the Crown is aware, this Information has never been presented in Court.

(2) This Information was stayed in Court in Estevan on April 11, 1996. The charges arose when Mr. Gerald Blerot swore a private Information against Tim Zakreski alleging the offence of extortion. The offence allegedly arose from an incident when Mr. Zakreski, acting as a Customs Officer for the Government of Canada, seized a grain truck under the provisions of the Wheat Board Act and other relevant federal legislation.

The Crown intervened as per its usual policy when private prosecutions are launched. The Crown then referred the matter to the Estevan Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for investigation. This investigation revealed no evidence to support an extortion charge against Mr. Zakreski. As a result, a stay of proceedings was entered in Court at Estevan. The Crown explained to the Court the procedure that had been followed and the reason the stay of proceedings was being entered. Mr. Blerot was present at that time and heard the explanation given by the Crown.

(3) See above response.

JUNE 19, 1996

Mr. Aldridge, asked the Government the following Question (No. 113), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

Regarding the Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by Goldman Sachs to any secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party, before employing the services of this company to sell Cameco shares in 1996? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Aldridge, asked the Government the following Question (No. 114), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Regarding the Department of Energy and Mines: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by Husky Oil Ltd. to any secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party before deciding to maintain multimillion dollar tax breaks to that company? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Aldridge, asked the Government the following Question (115), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

Regarding the Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by shareholders of HARO Financial Corporation to any secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party before CIC extended its involvement in the corporation? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Aldridge, asked the Government the following Question (116), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Regarding the Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by York Medical to any secret trusts of the New Democratic Party before he made the decision to invest taxpayer's money in this corporation? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Bjornerud, asked the Government the following Question (117), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Regarding SaskPower: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by Mr. Jack Messer to secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party before appointing him as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Bjornerud, asked the Government the following Question (118), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Regarding SaskTel: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by Symmetrix to any secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party before the decision was made to award this company a re-engineering contract at SaskTel? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Bjornerud, asked the Government the following Question (119), which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Teichrob:

Regarding SaskTel: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by Mr. Don Ching to any secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party before making the decision to appoint him as President and C.E.O. of SaskTel? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Krawetz, asked the Government the following Question (120), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lingenfelter:

Regarding the Department of Economic Development: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by Intercontinental Packers or any of its principals to any secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party before committing additional tax dollars to assist that company? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

Mr. Gantfoer, asked the Government the following Question (121), which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Wiens:

Regarding the Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Was the Minister aware of any donations made by unions contracting firms involved in the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement to secret trust funds of the New Democratic Party before signing this agreement on behalf of the taxpayers of Saskatchewan? (2) Was the Minister aware of the amounts of those donations?

Answer:

- (1) The Government is advised by the New Democratic Party that there are no New Democratic Party secret trust funds.
- (2) N/A

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2R--Second Reading
3R--Third Reading
P--Passed
A--Assent
S.P.--Sessional Papers

COMM--Committee of the Whole or
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