



No. 11

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION – TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Monday, November 13, 2006

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Elhard and Brkich.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Deputy Clerk having favourably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 15(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 the necessary steps to ensure that the Dept. of Highways section shop in Watrous remain open so as to ensure the safety of all motorists and Sask. Highways employees.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 6)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take the necessary actions to ensure that Highway 18 from Claydon to Robsart is repaved at the earliest possible time.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 8)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to review the decision to deny the requested spaces for the Estevan Day Care Cooperative.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 9)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to fully fund the cancer drug Avastin.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to upgrade and widen Highway 5 from Humboldt to Saskatoon.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 22)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to build a provincial Children's Hospital in Saskatoon.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 24)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to implement a strategy that will see a dialysis unit placed in Broadview Union Hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 27)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure that the Wilkie Health Centre and Special Care Home maintain their current level of services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 30)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 49.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 32)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide dust suppression on the gravel portion of Highway 99 between junction 6 and Craven.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 33)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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. 16 – The Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Thomson)

Bill No. 27 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Hagel)

Bill No. 28 – The Cities Amendment Act, 2006 (No. 2)

(Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen)

Bill No. 31 – The Regional Health Services Amendment Act, 2006 (No. 2)

(Hon. Mr. Taylor)

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

Les projets de loi suivants sont reçus, lus une première fois, et la deuxième lecture en est fixée à la prochaine séance:

Bill No. 29 – The Labour Standards Consequential Amendments Act, 2006

Projet de loi n° 29 – Loi de 2006 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Labour Standards Amendments Act, 2006

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

Bill No. 30 – The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Hagel)

Bill No. 32 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2006

(Hon. Mr. Thomson)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 23, pursuant to Rule 18(3), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 2.

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 24 to 32, they were answered. (See Appendix)

GOVERNMENT MOTION

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

That this Assembly urge Prime Minister Harper to honour his commitment to remove non-renewable resource revenues from the equalization formula.

A debate arising, it was agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following Recorded Division:

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| Calvert | Hamilton | Van Mulligen | Lautermilch | Hagel |
| Serby | Atkinson | Sonntag | Forbes | Prebble |
| Crofford | Belanger | Higgins | Thomson | Nilson |
| Beatty | Taylor | Junor | Harper | Iwanchuk |
| McCall | Quennell | Trew | Yates | Addley |
| Morin | Borgerson | Wall | Toth | Elhard |
| McMorris | D'Autremont | Krawetz | Draude | Bjornerud |
| Chisholm | Hart | Harpauer | Gantefoer | Eagles |
| Cheveldayoff | Huyghebaert | Allchurch | Kirsch | Brkich |
| Dearborn | Merriman | Morgan | Duncan | |

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TRANSMITTAL MOTION

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Speaker, on behalf of the Legislative Assembly, transmit copies of the motion and verbatim transcripts of the motion just passed to the Prime Minister of Canada, the federal Minister of Finance, the federal Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and all Saskatchewan Members of Parliament.

RESCIND TRANSFER OF WRITTEN QUESTION TO MOTIONS FOR RETURNS (DEBATABLE)

By leave of the Assembly, the Order to transfer Written Question No. 23 to Motions for Returns (Debatable), adopted earlier today, was rescinded.

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 23, it was answered. (See Appendix)

SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE**Bill No. 3 – The Fuel Tax Accountability Act**

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Thomson: That Bill No. 3 – The Fuel Tax Accountability Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 17 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Municipal Collection of Other Taxes) Amendment Act, 2006

The Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen, 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 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Municipal Collection of Other Taxes) Amendment Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 18 – The Court Security Act

The Hon. Mr. Quennell, 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. 18 – The Court Security Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 19 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2006 (No. 2)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Quennell: That Bill No. 19 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2006 (No. 2) – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 20 – The Gunshot and Stab Wounds Mandatory Reporting Act

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Quennell: That Bill No. 20 – The Gunshot and Stab Wounds Mandatory Reporting Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 21 – The Evidence Amendment Act, 2006
Projet de loi n° 21 – Loi de 2006 modifiant la Loi sur la preuve

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Quennell: That Bill No. 21 – The Evidence Amendment Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Quennell propose: Que le projet de loi n° 21 – Loi de 2006 modifiant la Loi sur la preuve – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de M. Wakefield, le débat est ajourné.

Bill No. 22 – The Legal Profession Amendment Act, 2006

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Quennell: That Bill No. 22 – The Legal Profession Amendment Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly recessed from 4:56 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Bill No. 23 – The Securities Transfer Act

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Quennell: That Bill No. 23 – The Securities Transfer Act – be now read a second time.

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

Bill No. 24 – The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Amendment Act, 2006
Projet de loi n° 24 – Loi de 2006 modifiant la Loi de 1997 sur la réglementation des boissons alcoolisées et des jeux de hasard

The Hon. Ms. Higgins, 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. 24 – The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Amendment Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

L'hon. Mme Higgins, membre du Conseil exécutif, fait savoir à l'Assemblée que Son Honneur le Lieutenant-gouverneur, ayant été informé de l'objet du projet de loi, le recommande à la considération de l'Assemblée et propose: Que le projet de loi n° 24 – Loi de 2006 modifiant la Loi de 1997 sur la réglementation des boissons alcoolisées et des jeux de hasard – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de M. Morgan, le débat est ajourné.

Bill No. 25 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, 2006
Projet de loi n° 25 – Loi de 2006 sur l'Assemblée législative et le Conseil exécutif

The Hon. Mr. Hagel, 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. 25 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Hagel, membre du Conseil exécutif, fait savoir à l'Assemblée que Son Honneur le Lieutenant-gouverneur, ayant été informé de l'objet du projet de loi, le recommande à la considération de l'Assemblée et propose: Que le projet de loi n° 25 – Loi de 2006 sur l'Assemblée législative et le Conseil exécutif – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Il s'élève un débat et sur motion de M. Morgan, le débat est ajourné.

Bill No. 26 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Consequential Amendments Act, 2006

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Hagel: That Bill No. 26 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Consequential Amendments Act, 2006 – be now read a second time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 7:35 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky
Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Allchurch asked the Government the following Question No. 23, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: How much money has Investment Saskatchewan given to Beauval Forest Industries or North West Communities Wood Products?

Answer:

Investment Saskatchewan has provided a loan of \$2 million to North West Communities Holdings Inc. (Beauval Forest Industries Inc.)

Mr. Allchurch asked the Government the following Question No. 24, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Industry and Resources: To date, how much money has the department given to North West Communities Wood Products or Beauval Forest Industries?

Answer:

Office of Northern Affairs Subvote (Economic and Co-operative Development Vote) - \$261,680
Centenary Capital Fund (Office of Northern Affairs) - \$475,000
Industry and Resources - \$499,000

Mr. Allchurch asked the Government the following Question No. 25, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Beatty:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: To date, how much money has the department given to North West Communities Wood Products or Beauval Forest Industries?

Answer:

Saskatchewan Northern Affairs, since its establishment as a department in the fiscal year 2003-2004, has provided \$288,500 to North West Communities Wood Products and/or Beauval Forest Industries.

Mr. Allchurch asked the Government the following Question No. 26, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Environment: To date, how much money has the department given to North West Communities Wood Products or Beauval Forest Industries?

Answer:

To date, the Department of Environment has provided \$97,983.85 to North West Communities Wood Products Ltd., which was in the period 2000 to 2003.

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 27, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What was the original completion date of the Finance headquarters on College Avenue and Albert Street in Regina? (2) What is the new projected completion date of this same building?

Answer:

(1) February 2007
(2) December 2008

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 28, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister of Finance: What are the cost overruns of the Finance headquarters on College Avenue and Albert Street in Regina?

Answer:

The forecasted end cost is currently \$900,000 over the original estimate.

Mr. Duncan asked the Government the following Question No. 29, which was answered by the Hon.

Mr. Hagel:

To the Premier: In the 2005/06 fiscal year, how many nominations were received for the Saskatchewan Youth Award?

Answer:

Zero. The Saskatchewan Youth Award is in the final development stages and once launched will be open for the first intake of nominations.

Mr. Duncan asked the Government the following Question No. 30, which was answered by the Hon.

Mr. Hagel:

To the Premier: In the 2005/06 fiscal year, how many Saskatchewan people received the Saskatchewan Youth Award?

Answer:

Zero. The Saskatchewan Youth Award is in the final development stages and once launched will be open for the first intake of nominations.

Mr. Duncan asked the Government the following Question No. 31, which was answered by the Hon.

Mr. Hagel:

To the Premier: To date, for the fiscal year 2006/07, how many nominations were received for the Saskatchewan Youth Award?

Answer:

Zero. The Saskatchewan Youth Award is in the final development stages and once launched will be open for the first intake of nominations.

Mr. Duncan asked the Government the following Question No. 32, which was answered by the Hon.

Mr. Hagel:

To the Premier: To date, for the fiscal year 2006/07, how many Saskatchewan youth received the Saskatchewan Youth Award?

Answer:

Zero. The Saskatchewan Youth Award is in the final development stages and once launched will be open for the first intake of nominations.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Wednesday:

Hon. Ms. Atkinson to move First Reading of Bill No. 33 – The Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology Amendment Act, 2006

Hon. Ms. Atkinson to move First Reading of Bill No. 34 – The Labour Market Commission Act

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 8 and are to be answered by day no. 13:

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 41:

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: To date, what is the average processing time for each category of the Saskatchewan Immigration Nominee Program from the point he/she applies to the point that he/she is considered nominated?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 42:

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: For the fiscal year 2005/06, what is the average processing time for each category of the Saskatchewan Immigration Nominee Program from the point he/she applies to the point that he/she is considered nominated?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 43:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: How much money did the department provide to the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism for the fiscal year 2005?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 44:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: How much money did the department provide to the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism for the fiscal year 2006?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 45:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: How much money did the department provide to the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism for the fiscal year 2004?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 46:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: How much money did the department provide to the Provincial Youth Advisory Committee in the fiscal year 2004?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 47:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: How much money did the department provide to the Provincial Youth Advisory Committee in the fiscal year 2005?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 48:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: How much money did the department provide to the Provincial Youth Advisory Committee in the fiscal year 2006?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 49:

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: To date, what is the breakdown of the 52 health worker applications by type of profession (ex: nurse, doctor, technologist, etc.) through the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 50:

To the Minister Responsible for Investment Saskatchewan: (1) How many employees of Investment Saskatchewan have moved to Victoria Park Capital? (2) What are their names?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 10 and are to be answered by day no. 15:

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 51:

To the Minister of Property Management: When is the projected completion date for construction at the front of the Legislature?

Mr. Allchurch, to ask the Government the following Question No. 52:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: When is the projected start date of the LaRonge natural gas project?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 53:

To the Minister Responsible for Immigration: (1) Has the department signed an exclusive agreement with the Philippines regarding immigration? (2) If so, what is the length of the agreement?

Mr. Weekes, to ask the Government the following Question No. 54:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: How many employees are permanently stationed at the satellite section shop facilities in Gull Lake, Meath Park and Shellbrook?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 11 and are to be answered by day no. 16:

Mr. Merriman, to ask the Government the following Question No. 55:

To the Minister of Community Resources: How many foster homes in the province exceed the legal limit for the number of children occupying the house?

Mr. Merriman, to ask the Government the following Question No. 56:

To the Minister of Community Resources: What was the total number of foster homes in the province before the launch of the recruitment campaign on March 23, 2006?

Mr. Merriman, to ask the Government the following Question No. 57:

To the Minister of Community Resources: What is the total number of foster homes in the province today (November 13, 2006)?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 58:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Were percolation tests done on groundwater in the RM of Corman Park in the year 2005-06? (2) If so, what were the test results?

NOTICE REGARDING PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Rules 88 and 91 of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, that the time for filing Petitions for Private Bills with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly will expire on the twentieth sitting day, and that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills to the Legislative Assembly at its present Session will expire on the twenty-fifth sitting day of the said Session.

GWENN RONYK
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
