

No. 20

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

THIRD SESSION - TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, November 28, 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: Toth, Elhard, McMorris, D'Autremont, Wall, Draude, Hermanson, Bjornerud, Stewart, Wakefield, Chisholm, Hart, Harpauer, Gantefoer, Eagles, Weekes, Cheveldayoff, Huyghebaert, Allchurch, Kirsch, Brkich, Dearborn, Merriman, Morgan, Duncan, Serby, Trew and Sonntag.

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 ensure that a portion of Highway 15 be repaired and re-surfaced immediately.

(Sessional Paper No. 47)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to support the position that it is the right of western Canadian producers to decide the future of the Canadian Wheat Board.

(Sessional Paper No. 48)

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 repair and maintain Highway 36.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 23)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to upgrade and maintain Highway 22.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 25)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 310.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 26)

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 implement an allocation of financial resources to build an elementary school in Arbor Creek.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 150 to 155, they were answered. (See Appendix)

ADJOURNED DEBATES

Bill No. 35 - The Infrastructure Fund Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Thomson: That Bill No. 35 – The Infrastructure Fund 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.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

Ordered, That Bill No. 35 – The Infrastructure Fund Act – be now referred to the Standing Committee on the Economy.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:48 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky Speaker

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Ms. Harpauer asked the Government the following Question No. 150, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Community Resources: Does the Government have any plans to close the Valley View Centre in Moose Jaw?

Answer:

There are no plans to close Valley View Centre in Moose Jaw.

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 151, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Finance: What is the Government of Saskatchewan's expected annual rate of return on the fiscal stabilization fund?

Answer:

The expected annual rate of return on investments in the fiscal stabilization fund will be based on the return provided by Government of Canada paper plus 15 to 25 basis points.

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 152, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Finance: Will the Government of Saskatchewan restrict investments made by, on, or on behalf of the fiscal stabilization fund to Canadian investment instruments, assets, investments and equities?

Answer:

Yes, the fiscal stabilization fund will be restricted to debt securities issued or guaranteed by the Government of Canada and Canadian provinces, as well as high-grade fixed income securities issued by certain Canadian banks, corporations and municipal governments.

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 153, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Finance: Will the Government of Saskatchewan place any restrictions on investments made by, or on behalf of the fiscal stabilization fund?

Answer:

Yes, investments will be restricted to liquid, high-grade Canadian fixed income securities.

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 154, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Finance: Will the fiscal stabilization fund be managed through in-house or external managers?

Answer:

The fiscal stabilization fund will be managed in-house.

Mr. Cheveldayoff asked the Government the following Question No. 155, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Thomson:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) Does the Government of Saskatchewan have a formal investment strategy for the fiscal stabilization fund? (2) If so, what are the terms under which the fund will be invested? (3) What instruments will the fund invest in?

Answer:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) In accordance with *The Fiscal Stabilization Fund Act* the fund will be invested in accordance with section 38 of *The Financial Administration Act*, 1993. Funds will be invested to match forecasted withdrawals from the fund as outlined in the annual Budget documents and updated from time to time.
- (3) The fund will invest in debt securities issued or guaranteed by the Government of Canada and Canadian provinces, as well as high-grade fixed income securities issued by certain Canadian banks, corporations and municipal governments.

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR FIRST READING OF A BILL AVIS DE MOTION PORTANT PREMIÈRE LECTURE DE PROJET DE LOI

On Thursday / jeudi:

Hon. Mr. Hagel to move First Reading of Bill No. 40 – The Status of the Artist Amendment Act, 2006 L'hon. M. Hagel proposera la première lecture du projet de loi n° 40 – Loi de 2006 modifiant la Loi sur le statut de l'artiste

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Ms. Crofford to move the following motion:

That this Assembly recognize the government's ongoing commitment to ensuring that young people have every opportunity to be successful and raise a family here in Saskatchewan.

NOTICE OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

On Thursday:

Ms. Morin to move the following motion:

That this Assembly acknowledge that the current labour standards in the Province of Saskatchewan are not a barrier to economic growth.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

On Thursday:

No. 1 (Opposition)

Adjourned debate on the proposed **Motion No. 1** of Mr. Elhard:

That this Assembly no longer has confidence in the Premier and his government.

(Mr. McMorris) Adjourned Twice

No. 2 (Government)

Ms. Morin to move the following motion:

That this Assembly acknowledge that the current labour standards in the Province of Saskatchewan are not a barrier to economic growth.

APPENDIX

NOTICE OF WRITTEN OUESTIONS

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 17 and are to be answered by day no. 22:

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 198:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: Has SaskWater paid out any funds to cover legal expenses for former Minister of SaskWater, Carol Teichrob in 2006?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 199:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: Has SaskWater paid out any funds to cover legal expenses for former Minister of SaskWater, Carol Teichrob in 2005?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 200:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: Has SaskWater paid out any funds to cover legal expenses for former Minister of SaskWater, Carol Teichrob in 2004?

Mr. Brkich, to ask the Government the following Question No. 201:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: Has SaskWater paid out any funds to cover legal expenses for former Minister of SaskWater, Carol Teichrob in 2003?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 202:

To the Minister of Health: (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?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 203:

To the Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Incorporated: (1) Does SaskEnergy have a partnership agreement with Weatherford Canada Partnership? (2) If so, what is the agreement for?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 18 and are to be answered by day no. 23:

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 204:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of dialysis units in Regina for the year 2002/03?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 205:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of dialysis units in Regina for the year 2003/04?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 206:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of dialysis units in Regina for the year 2004/05?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 207:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of dialysis units in Regina for the year 2005/06?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 208:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of dialysis units in Regina for the year 2006/07?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 209:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient load for each satellite dialysis in the province for the year 2002/03?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 210:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient load for each satellite dialysis in the province for the year 2003/04?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 211:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient load for each satellite dialysis in the province for the year 2004/05?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 212:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient load for each satellite dialysis in the province for the year 2005/06?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 213:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient load for each satellite dialysis in the province for the year 2006/07?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 214:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient demand for each satellite dialysis site in the province for the year 2002/03?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 215:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient demand for each satellite dialysis site in the province for the year 2003/04?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 216:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient demand for each satellite dialysis site in the province for the year 2004/05?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 217:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient demand for each satellite dialysis site in the province for the year 2005/06?

Mr. Toth, to ask the Government the following Question No. 218:

To the Minister of Health: What was the patient demand for each satellite dialysis site in the province for the year 2006/07?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 219:

To the Minister of Health: Is the Minister aware of the current funding shortfall at the long-term care home in Eatonia?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 220:

To the Minister of Health: What will happen to the residents of the long-term care home in Eatonia when is ceases operations because of the funding shortfall?

Mr. Dearborn, to ask the Government the following Question No. 221:

To the Minister of Health: What will be the cost of housing the 18 current residents of the long-term care home in Eatonia in hospital care?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 19 and are to be answered by day no. 24:

Ms. Eagles, to ask the Government the following Question No. 222:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Corporation: (1) For the following land description NW Quarter 18-2-8 W2M, when was the fence completed? (2) Was the project tendered? (3) If so, who won the contract? (4) What was the cost of materials and labour? (5) Was labour and materials paid for separately?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 223:

To the Premier: Which persons or companies received contracts from Executive Council to provide advertising or marketing research services for year 2006?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 224:

To the Premier: Which persons or companies received contracts from Executive Council to provide advertising or marketing research services for year 2005?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 225:

To the Premier: Which persons or companies received contracts from Executive Council to provide advertising or marketing research services for year 2004?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 226:

To the Premier: What is the criteria used by Executive Council when choosing a tender for advertising and/or marketing research services?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 227:

To the Premier: What was the total number of dollars Executive Council spent on advertising and marketing research services for the year 2006?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 228:

To the Premier: What was the total number of dollars Executive Council spent on advertising and marketing research services for the year 2005?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 229:

To the Premier: What was the total number of dollars Executive Council spent on advertising and marketing research services for the year 2004?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 230:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) In the Kindersley area, is SaskPower conducting conversions of oil wells from natural gas to electricity? (2) If so, is there an associated fee? (3) What is that fee?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 231:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: How many firms submitted a proposal the last time the department's advertising contract was tendered?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 232:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What was the total number of dollars received by each advertising or marketing research firm contracted for services for the fiscal year 2006/07?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 233:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What was the total number of dollars received by each advertising or marketing research firm contracted for services for the fiscal year 2005/06?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 234:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What was the total number of dollars received by each advertising or marketing research firm contracted for services for the fiscal year 2004/05?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 235:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What was the total number of dollars received by each advertising or marketing research firm contracted for services for the fiscal year 2003/04?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 236:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What was the total number of dollars received by each advertising or marketing research firm contracted for services for the fiscal year 2002/03?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 237:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What was the total number of dollars received by each advertising or marketing research firm contracted for services for the fiscal year 2001/02?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 238:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: Which persons or companies received contracts from the Department to provide advertising or marketing research services for the fiscal year 2006/07?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 239:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: Which persons or companies received contracts from the Department to provide advertising or marketing research services for the fiscal year 2005/06?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 240:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: Which persons or companies received contracts from the Department to provide advertising or marketing research services for the fiscal year 2004/05?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 241:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: Which persons or companies received contracts from the Department to provide advertising or marketing research services for the fiscal year 2003/04?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 242:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: Which persons or companies received contracts from the Department to provide advertising or marketing research services for the fiscal year 2002/03?

Ms. Draude, to ask the Government the following Question No. 243:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: Which persons or companies received contracts from the Department to provide advertising or marketing research services for the fiscal year 2001/02?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 244:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Cypress Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 245:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Cypress Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 246:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Cypress Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 247:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Cypress Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 248:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Five Hills Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 249:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Five Hills Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 250:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Five Hills Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 251:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Five Hills Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 252:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 253:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 254:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 255:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 256:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sunrise Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 257:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sunrise Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 258:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sunrise Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 259:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Sunrise Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 260:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 261:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 262:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 263:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 264:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Heartland Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 265:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Heartland Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 266:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Heartland Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 267:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Heartland Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 268:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Saskatoon Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 269:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Saskatoon Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 270:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Saskatoon Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 271:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Saskatoon Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 272:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 273:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 274:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 275:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 276:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prince Albert Parkland Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 277:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prince Albert Parkland Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 278:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prince Albert Parkland Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 279:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prince Albert Parkland Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 280:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prairie North Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 281:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prairie North Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 282:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prairie North Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 283:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Prairie North Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 284:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Mamawetan Churchill River Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 285:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Mamawetan Churchill River Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 286:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Mamawetan Churchill River Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 287:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Mamawetan Churchill River Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 288:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 289:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 290:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 291:

To the Minister of Health: What was the total number of acute care beds occupied by patients that were waiting for placement in a long-term care facility in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 292:

To the Minister of Health: When did the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency submit a proposal to Saskatchewan Health for a provincial colorectal screening program?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 293:

To the Minister of Health: Has the government funded a study to determine the benefits of a provincial colorectal screening program?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 294:

To the Minister of Health: When does the government intend to implement the recommendations for the Canadian Cancer Society on a provincial colorectal screening program?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 295:

To the Minister of Health: When did the Canadian Cancer Society ask the government to consider a colorectal screening program?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 296:

To the Minister of Health: Who are the members of the expert panel that is examining how a colorectal cancer screening program would work?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 297:

To the Minister of Health: What is the mandate of the expert panel that is examining how a colorectal cancer screening program would work?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 298:

To the Minister of Health: How many times has the expert panel that is examining how a colorectal cancer screening program would work met?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 299:

To the Minister of Health: Can you please provide a copy of the minutes from all meetings held by the expert panel that is examining how a colorectal cancer screening program would work?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 300:

To the Minister of Health: When is the expert panel that is examining how a colorectal cancer screening program would work expected to release its findings?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 301:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Cypress Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 302:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Five Hills Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 303:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Sun Country Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 304:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 305:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Sunrise Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 306:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Saskatoon Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 307:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Prairie North Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 308:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Prince Albert Parkland Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 309:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Kelsey Trail Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 310:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Churchill River Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 311:

To the Minister of Health: How many people are currently on the waiting list for a long-term care in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 312:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 313:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 314:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 315:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Keewatin Yatthe Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 316:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 317:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 318:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 319:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Sun Country Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 320:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2002/03?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 321:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2003/04?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 322:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2004/05?

Mr. McMorris, to ask the Government the following Question No. 323:

To the Minister of Health: What was the number of long-term care beds in the Kelsey Trail Health Region for the year 2005/06?

Mr. Cheveldayoff, to ask the Government the following Question No. 324:

To the Minister of Finance: How much would it cost the Saskatchewan government to allow income splitting for all Saskatchewan couples for the purposes of calculating provincial income tax?

Mr. Cheveldayoff, to ask the Government the following Question No. 325:

To the Minister of Finance: How much would it cost the Saskatchewan government to allow seniors couples to split all of their taxable income in the calculation of Saskatchewan income tax?

Mr. Cheveldayoff, to ask the Government the following Question No. 326:

To the Minister of Finance: How much would it cost the Saskatchewan government to allow seniors couples to split pension income in the calculation of Saskatchewan income tax?

Mr. Cheveldayoff, to ask the Government the following Question No. 327:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) Does the provincial government intend to allow seniors couples to split pension income for the purposes of calculating their provincial income tax? (2) If not, what problems will this cause in terms of tax filing for Saskatchewan seniors, as Saskatchewan income tax is currently based on the federal rules for calculating taxable income?

Mr. Cheveldayoff, to ask the Government the following Question No. 328:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) Does the federal government's decision to allow seniors couples to split pension income for the purposes of calculating federal income tax affect provincial income taxes in any way? (2) If so, how?

The following Questions were given notice on day no. 20 and are to be answered by day no. 25:

Mr. Hart, to ask the Government the following Question No. 329:

To the Minister of Environment: What regulations are in place, if any, dealing with the transfer of fresh water, by means other than natural waterways, from Alberta to Saskatchewan?

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Mr. Hermanson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 331:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Can the Minister assure the residents of the Rosetown area that the SaskPower office in Rosetown will continue to cooperate with SaskTel and SaskEnergy to provide one-stop customer service for customers of these three crowns in the fiscal year 2008?

Mr. Hermanson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 332:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Can the Minister assure the residents of the Rosetown area that the SaskPower office in Rosetown will continue to cooperate with SaskTel and SaskEnergy to provide one-stop customer service for customers of these three crowns in the fiscal year 2007?

Mr. Hermanson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 333:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Can the Minister assure the residents of the Rosetown area that the SaskPower office in Rosetown will continue customer service out of its current office for the fiscal year 2008?

Mr. Hermanson, to ask the Government the following Question No. 334:

To the Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Can the Minister assure the residents of the Rosetown area that the SaskPower office in Rosetown will continue customer service out of its current office for the fiscal year 2007?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 335:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investment Corporation: (1) In 2005, how many crown investments were subject to a third party external review? (2) Which investments were they?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 336:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investment Corporation: (1) To date, how many crown investments were subject to a third party external review? (2) Which investments were they?

Ms. Harpauer, to ask the Government the following Question No. 337:

To the Minister Responsible for Crown Investment Corporation: (1) In 2004, how many crown investments were subject to a third party external review? (2) Which investments were they?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 338:

To the Minister of Environment: (1) Has the department instituted a plan for Mount Blackstrap to resume operations? (2) If so, could the Minister provide a copy of the plan?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 339:

To the Minister of Environment: When does the department expect Mount Blackstrap to resume operations?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 340:

To the Minister of Health: What is the amount of funding the province provides for a mental health resident in a personal care home?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 341:

To the Minister of Health: What is the amount of funding the province provides for a mental health resident in an approved mental health home?

Mr. Morgan, to ask the Government the following Question No. 342:

To the Minister of Health: Has the department ever received a recommendation from the Ombudsman to bring the payments made for mental health residents in a personal care home to an equal level with the payments made for mental health residents in an approved mental health home?

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