

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN

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### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN

Speaker: Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky Premier: Hon. Lorne Calvert Leader of the Opposition: Elwin Hermanson **Leader of the Liberal Caucus:** Hon. Jim Melenchuk<sup>1</sup> **Deputy Speaker / Chair of Committee of the Whole:** Lindy Kasperski <sup>2</sup> **Deputy Speaker / Chair of Committee of the Whole:** Graham Addley <sup>3</sup> **Deputy Chair of Committees:** ...... Graham Addley <sup>4</sup> **Deputy Chair of Committees:** Ron Harper <sup>5</sup> Government House Leader: Hon. Eldon Lautermilch **Deputy Government House Leader:** ...... Hon. Patricia Atkinson <sup>6</sup> Deputy Government House Leader: Hon. Glenn Hagel Opposition House Leader: Dan D'Autremont Government Whip: ...... Kevin Yates **Deputy Government Whip:** Carolyn Jones Opposition Whip: Don McMorris Deputy Opposition Whip: Bob Bjornerud Clerk: Gwenn Ronyk Deputy Clerk: Gregory Putz Clerk Assistant: Margaret A. Woods Clerk Assistant (Committees): Viktor Kaczkowski Sergeant-at-Arms: Patrick Shaw Legislative Counsel and Law Clerk: Kenneth Ring Clerk Assistant (Journals): Marilyn Kotylak Assistant Journals Clerk: Pamela Scott

On November 3, 2001, Hon. Mr. Melenchuk's party status changed to Independent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Elected as Deputy Speaker March 21, 2001; Resigned May 7, 2001

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Elected as Deputy Speaker May 8, 2001

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Appointed March 29, 2001 until May 8, 2001

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Appointed May 10, 2001

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Until October 12, 2001

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Appointed October 12, 2001

## MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN Second Session of the Twenty-fourth Legislative Assembly

NAME OF MEMBER	CONSTITUENCY	POLITICAL AFFILIATION
Addley, Graham	Saskatoon Sutherland	NDP
Allchurch, Denis	Shellbrook-Spiritwood	SP
Atkinson, Hon. Pat	Saskatoon Nutana	NDP
Axworthy, Hon. Chris	Saskatoon Fairview	NDP
Bakken, Brenda	Weyburn-Big Muddy	SP
Belanger, Hon. Buckley	Athabasca	NDP
Bjornerud, Bob	Saltcoats	SP
Boyd, Bill	Kindersley	SP
Brkich, Greg P.	Arm River	SP
Calvert, Hon. Lorne	Saskatoon Riversdale	NDP
Cline, Hon. Eric	Saskatoon Mount Royal	NDP
Crofford, Hon. Joanne	Regina Centre	NDP
D'Autremont, Dan	Cannington	SP
Draude, June	Kelvington-Wadena	SP
Eagles, Doreen	Estevan	SP
Elhard, Wayne	Cypress Hills	SP
Forbes, David <sup>1</sup>	Saskatoon Idylwyld	NDP
Gantefoer, Rod	Melfort-Tisdale	SP
Goulet, Hon. Keith	Cumberland	NDP
Hagel, Hon. Glenn	Moose Jaw North	NDP
Hamilton, Hon. Doreen	Regina Wascana Plains	NDP
Harpauer, Donna	Watrous	SP
Harper, Ron	Regina Northeast	NDP
Hart, Glen	Last Mountain-Touchwood	SP
Heppner, Ben	Rosthern	SP
Hermanson, Elwin	Rosetown-Biggar	SP
Higgins, Hon. Deb	Moose Jaw Wakamow	NDP
Hillson, Jack	North Battleford	Ind
Huyghebaert, D.F. (Yogi)	Wood River	SP
Jones, Carolyn	Saskatoon Meewasin	NDP
Julé, Arlene	Humboldt	SP
Junor, Hon. Judy	Saskatoon Eastview	NDP
Kasperski, Lindy	Regina Sherwood	NDP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Elected November 8, 2001

NAME OF MEMBER	CONSTITUENCY	POLITICAL AFFILIATION
Kowalsky, Hon. Myron	Prince Albert Carlton	NDP
Krawetz, Ken	Canora-Pelly	SP
Kwiatkowski, Carl	Carrot River Valley	SP
Lautermilch, Hon. Eldon	Prince Albert Northcote	NDP
Lorjé, Hon. Pat	Saskatoon Southeast	NDP
MacKinnon, Janice <sup>1</sup>	Saskatoon Idylwyld	NDP
McCall, Warren	Regina Elphinstone	NDP
McMorris, Don	Indian Head-Milestone	SP
Melenchuk, Hon. Jim	Saskatoon Northwest	$Lib / Ind^2$
Nilson, Hon. John	Regina Lakeview	NDP
Osika, Hon. Ron	Melville	Lib / Ind <sup>3</sup>
Peters, Rudi	Battleford-Cut Knife	SP
Prebble, Peter	Saskatoon Greystone	NDP
Serby, Hon. Clay	Yorkton	NDP
Sonntag, Hon. Maynard	Meadow Lake	NDP
Stewart, Lyle	Thunder Creek	SP
Thomson, Hon. Andrew	Regina South	NDP
Toth, Don	Moosomin	SP
Trew, Hon. Kim	Regina Coronation Park	NDP
Van Mulligen, Hon. Harry	Regina Victoria	NDP
Wakefield, Milton	Lloydminster	SP
Wall, Brad	Swift Current	SP
Wartman, Hon. Mark	Regina Qu'Appelle Valley	NDP
Weekes, Randy	Redberry Lake	SP
Wiberg, Daryl	Saskatchewan Rivers	SP
Yates, Kevin	Regina Dewdney	NDP

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Ind	Independent

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## CONSTITUENCIES REPRESENTED IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

SHOWING MEMBERS AND PARTY AFFILIATIONS

CONSTITUENCY	NAME OF MEMBER	POLITICAL AFFILIATION
Arm River	Brkich, Greg P.	SP
Athabasca	Belanger, Hon. Buckley	NDP
Battleford-Cut Knife	Peters, Rudi	SP
Cannington	D'Autremont, Dan	SP
Canora-Pelly	Krawetz, Ken	SP
Carrot River Valley	Kwiatkowski, Carl	SP
Cumberland	Goulet, Hon. Keith	NDP
Cypress Hills	Elhard, Wayne	SP
Estevan	Eagles, Doreen	SP
Humboldt	Julé, Arlene	SP
Indian Head-Milestone	McMorris, Don	SP
Kelvington-Wadena	Draude, June	SP
Kindersley	Boyd, Bill	SP
Last Mountain-Touchwood	Hart, Glen	SP
Lloydminster	Wakefield, Milton	SP
Meadow Lake	Sonntag, Hon. Maynard	NDP
Melfort-Tisdale	Gantefoer, Rod	SP
Melville	Osika, Hon. Ron	Lib / Ind <sup>1</sup>
Moose Jaw North	Hagel, Hon. Glenn	NDP
Moose Jaw Wakamow	Higgins, Hon. Deb	NDP
Moosomin	Toth, Don	SP
North Battleford	Hillson, Jack	Ind
Prince Albert Carlton	Kowalsky, Hon. Myron	NDP
Prince Albert Northcote	Lautermilch, Hon. Eldon	NDP
Redberry Lake	Weekes, Randy	SP
Regina Centre	Crofford, Hon. Joanne	NDP
Regina Coronation Park	Trew, Hon. Kim	NDP
Regina Dewdney	Yates, Kevin	NDP
Regina Elphinstone	McCall, Warren	NDP
Regina Lakeview	Nilson, Hon. John	NDP

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Regina Northeast	Harper, Ron	NDP
Regina Qu'Appelle Valley	Wartman, Hon. Mark	NDP
Regina Sherwood	Kasperski, Lindy	NDP
Regina South	Thomson, Hon. Andrew	NDP
Regina Victoria	Van Mulligen, Hon. Harry	NDP
Regina Wascana Plains	Hamilton, Hon. Doreen	NDP
Rosetown-Biggar	Hermanson, Elwin	SP
Rosthern	Heppner, Ben	SP
Saltcoats	Bjornerud, Bob	SP
Saskatchewan Rivers	Wiberg, Daryl	SP
Saskatoon Eastview	Junor, Hon. Judy	NDP
Saskatoon Fairview	Axworthy, Hon. Chris	NDP
Saskatoon Greystone	Prebble, Peter	NDP
Saskatoon Idylwyld	MacKinnon, Janice 1	NDP
Saskatoon Idylwyld	Forbes, David <sup>2</sup>	NDP
Saskatoon Meewasin	Jones, Carolyn	NDP
Saskatoon Mount Royal	Cline, Hon. Eric	NDP
Saskatoon Northwest	Melenchuk, Hon. Jim	Lib / Ind <sup>3</sup>
Saskatoon Nutana	Atkinson, Hon. Pat	NDP
Saskatoon Riversdale	Calvert, Hon. Lorne	NDP
Saskatoon Southeast	Lorjé, Hon. Pat	NDP
Saskatoon Sutherland	Addley, Graham	NDP
Shellbrook-Spiritwood	Allchurch, Denis	SP
Swift Current	Wall, Brad	SP
Thunder Creek	Stewart, Lyle	SP
Watrous	Harpauer, Donna	SP
Weyburn-Big Muddy	Bakken, Brenda	SP
Wood River	Huyghebaert, D.F. (Yogi)	SP
Yorkton	Serby, Hon. Clay	NDP

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## **CABINET MINISTERS**

Portfolio	MINISTER (Feb. 8/01)	MINISTER (Oct. 12/01)
Premier	Hon. Lorne Calvert	Hon. Lorne Calvert
<b>Deputy Premier</b>	Hon. Clay Serby	Hon. Clay Serby
Aboriginal Affairs	Hon. Pat Lorjé	Hon. Chris Axworthy
Agriculture and Food	Hon. Clay Serby	Hon. Clay Serby
<b>Crown Investments Corporation</b>	Hon. Maynard Sonntag	Hon. Maynard Sonntag
<b>Culture, Youth and Recreation</b>	Hon. Joanne Crofford	Hon. Joanne Crofford
Disability Issues	Hon. Harry Van Mulligen	Hon. Glenn Hagel
<b>Economic and Co-operative Development</b>	Hon. Eldon Lautermilch	Hon. Eldon Lautermilch
Education	Hon. Jim Melenchuk	Hon. Jim Melenchuk
<b>Energy and Mines</b>	Hon. Maynard Sonntag	Hon. Andrew Thomson
<b>Environment and Resource Management</b>	Hon. Buckley Belanger	Hon. Buckley Belanger
Finance	Hon. Eric Cline	Hon. Eric Cline
Gaming	Hon. Kim Trew	Hon. Kim Trew
Health	Hon. John Nilson	Hon. John Nilson
<b>Highways and Transportation</b>	Hon. Patricia Atkinson	Hon. Mark Wartman
Information Highway	Hon. Joanne Crofford	Hon. Joanne Crofford
<b>Intergovernmental Affairs</b>	Hon. Chris Axworthy	Hon. Chris Axworthy
Justice and Attorney General	Hon. Chris Axworthy	Hon. Chris Axworthy
Labour	Hon. Kim Trew	Hon. Deb Higgins
<b>Municipal Affairs and Housing</b>	Hon. Ron Osika	Hon. Ron Osika
Northern Affairs	Hon. Keith Goulet	Hon. Buckley Belanger
Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training	Hon. Glenn Hagel	Hon. Pat Lorjé
<b>Provincial Secretary</b>	Hon. Pat Lorjé	Hon. Judy Junor
Rural Revitalization	Hon. Patricia Atkinson	Hon. Clay Serby
Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation	Hon. Doreen Hamilton	Hon. Kim Trew
Seniors	Hon. John Nilson	Hon. Judy Junor
Social Services	Hon. Harry Van Mulligen	Hon. Glenn Hagel
Status of Women	Hon. Doreen Hamilton	Hon. Judy Junor

## STANDING, SELECT, AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

#### for the

### Second Session of the Twenty-fourth Legislative Assembly

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

**AGRICULTURE** 

Atkinson (appointed March 29/01)

Boyd Bjornerud Harpauer Harper

Lingenfelter (until March 29/01)

Melenchuk Serby Wartman Weekes

(Member ship-9)

**CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS** 

Addley Bakken

Heppner (appointed March 21/01)

Julé

Kasperski (until May 10/01) MacKinnon (appointed March 29/01) McCall (appointed May 10/01)

Thomson

Trew (until March 29/01) Wall (until March 21/01) (Membership – 7) **COMMUNICATION** 

Speaker Kowalsky (Chair)

D'Autremont Eagles Gantefoer

Higgins (appointed March 29/01)

Jones Prebble Thomson

Trew (until March 29/01)

Wall

(Membership - 9)

**CROWN CORPORATIONS** 

Addley Brkich

Elhard (until March 21/01) Harper (until March 29/01) Heppner (until March 21/01)

Huyghebaert (appointed March 21/01)

Kasperski (until May 10/01) Jones (appointed May 10/01) McCall (appointed March 29/01)

McMorris Prebble Thomson

Wall (appointed March 21/01)

Yates

(Membership - 10)

**EDUCATION** 

Draude Hart Higgins

Junor (appointed March 29/01) Kowalsky (until March 29/01)

Peters Prebble Thomson (Membership – 7) **ENVIRONMENT** 

Elhard Harper Hart Jones

Kwiatkowski Prebble Wartman (Membership – 7)

### STANDING COMMITTEES – continued

ESTIMATES
Addley
Harpauer
Harper
Jones
Krawetz
Prebble
Wakefield
Wiberg
Yates

(Membership - 9)

#### MUNICIPAL LAW

Addley Bjornerud

McCall (appointed March 29/01)

McMorris

Trew (until March 29/01)

Wartman Wiberg Yates

(Membership - 7)

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS

Allchurch Boyd Brkich Higgins Julé

Junor (appointed March 29/01) Kasperski (until May 10/01) Kowalsky (until March 29/01) McCall (appointed May 10/01)

Wartman Yates

(Member ship-9)

#### **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**

Gantefoer

Harper (appointed March 29/01)

Higgins Jones

Junor (appointed March 29/01)

Krawetz Kwiatkowski

Lorjé (until March 29/01)

Stewart

Trew (until March 29/01)

Wakefield Wartman (Membership – 10)

#### HEALTH CARE

Bakken Belanger Boyd Gantefoer Junor McCall Melenchuk Thomson (Membership – 8)

#### Non-Controversial Bills

Addley Draude Eagles Higgins

Junor (appointed March 29/01)

Kowalsky (until March 29/01)

Peters
Weekes
(Membership – 7)

#### **PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS**

Cline

Higgins (appointed May 10/01) Hillson (until March 29/01) Kasperski (until May 10/01) Kowalsky (until March 29/01)

Krawetz

MacKinnon (appointed March 29/01)

Nilson Osika

(appointed March 29/01)

Stewart Toth Wakefield (Membership – 9)

#### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**NOMINATING** REGULATIONS Bjornerud (until March 21/01) Allchurch D'Autremont Bakken Higgins (appointed March 29/01) Harper Kasperski (until March 29/01) Hart Lautermilch (appointed March 29/01) Higgins Lingenfelter (until March 29/01) Jones McMorris (appointed March 21/01) Thomson Van Mulligen Toth (Membership - 5)Yates

(Membership – 9)

**RULES AND PROCEDURES** 

Speaker Kowalsky (Chair)

D'Autremont

Higgins Hillson (until March 29/01) Junor (appointed March 29/01)

Kwiatkowski McMorris

Osika (appointed March 29/01)

Thomson (Membership - 8)

TO PREVENT THE ABUSE AND

**EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN THROUGH** 

THE SEX TRADE

Draude Harper Jones Julé Prebble Toth Yates

(Membership - 7)

#### TOBACCO CONTROL

Addley
Bakken
Bjornerud
Eagles
Higgins
Kowalsky
Wartman
(Membership – 7)

#### **SELECT COMMITTEE**

#### **CONTINUING SELECT**

Bakken Boyd

D'Autremont

Higgins (appointed May 10/01)
Kasperski (until May 10/01)
Kowalsky (until March 29/01)
Lautermilch (appointed March 29/01)
Lingenfelter (until March 29/01)

Melenchuk Trew

Weekes

Yates (appointed March 29/01)

(Membership – 9)

#### Lynda M. Haverstock 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

John D. Whyte TO OUR FAITHFUL THE MEMBERS elected to serve in the Deputy Attorney General Legislative Assembly by Our Province of Saskatchewan and to every

one of you GREETING;

WHEREAS it is expedient for causes and considerations to convene the Second Session of the Twenty-Fourth Legislative Assembly of our Province of Saskatchewan,

WE DO WILL that you and each of you and all others in this behalf interested on TUESDAY, the TWENTIETH day of MARCH, 2001 at 2:30 P.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 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 Lynda M. Haverstock, Lieutenant Governor of our Province of Saskatchewan.

AT OUR CAPITAL CITY OF REGINA, in Our said Province, this fifteenth day of March in the year of Our Lord TWO THOUSAND and ONE and in the FIFTIETH year of Our Reign.

By Command, W.B. Cotter Deputy Provincial Secretary

### **JOURNALS**

#### of the

### Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

#### **Second Session**

**Twenty-fourth Legislative Assembly** 

# TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2001 (1<sup>ST</sup> DAY)

2:30 p.m.

The Speaker informed the Assembly that he had received a communication from the Private Secretary to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor stating that Her Honour would open the Session at 2:30 p.m. today, Tuesday, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001.

2:32 p.m.

#### SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the Chamber, and having taken her seat upon the throne, was then pleased to open the Session with the following speech:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is my pleasure today to welcome you to the Second Session of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of Saskatchewan. Welcome to all of the people of our province, and to those beyond who are observing these proceedings, whether in this House or in their own homes.

It is also my pleasure to inform the Legislature that His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, will visit Saskatchewan from April 26 to April 28.

It is appropriate to begin today by recognizing the Honourable Lorne Calvert as the new Premier of this province. And we extend thanks to former Premier Roy Romanow for his many years of dedicated leadership and service. His leadership and service has enabled our province to grow in strength and prosperity, and has extended beyond our borders benefiting our entire nation.

Ours is a province rich in natural beauty and filled with promise. The late Edward McCourt, an esteemed writer and professor of English literature at the University of Saskatchewan, had this to say about our beloved Saskatchewan:

"Everywhere there are things to be seen and felt that exalt or soothe the sensitive spirit: crocuses spreading a mauve mist along railway embankments before the last patch of snow has melted; wheatfields merging into a wave-surfaced green or golden ocean, unbounded save for an incredibly remote horizon rim at times indistinguishable from the sky itself."

"Nowhere," Professor McCourt wrote "is it possible for men and women to know better their littleness and greatness - that is, to know better themselves."

The people of Saskatchewan have always been tolerant, generous and hard working, and today we acknowledge our debt to those who have gone before us. The success that we enjoy rests on the dedication and courage of people who dreamed of creating a society where the future would be as limitless as the very skies themselves.

#### We must build on that success to connect to the future.

My government will listen closely to people, and is committed to being a partner with them in creating a prosperity that provides opportunities for all.

During this session, my government will connect to the future by focusing on the following priorities:

- A thriving economy;
- Healthy citizens, families and communities; and
- Responsive and effective government.

#### A THRIVING ECONOMY

The economy of our province is strong, and growing.

- There were 485,000 people working in Saskatchewan in the year 2000. This is an increase of approximately 5,000 over the previous record set in 1999.
- Saskatchewan exports abroad were \$12.5 billion last year, a 28 per cent increase over the previous year.
- The year 2000 was a record year for potash producers in Saskatchewan with sales of over 14 million metric tonnes, an increase of 11 per cent over last year.
- A new record was set for drilling natural gas wells.
- Oil production reached a new high last year of approximately 151 million barrels.
- In the past three years, wild rice producers in northern Saskatchewan have grown over 80% of Canada's production.

#### We will achieve even greater success ...

#### ...in technology

The information highway provides our people and communities with opportunities to succeed in the new global economy.

My government will invest over \$70 million over the next six years, to connect Saskatchewan communities, government offices, educational institutions and health facilities to high-speed Internet services.

#### ...in research and development

The success of our economy is vitally dependent on research and development.

My government will continue to support research and development, building on previous investments including the Synchrotron, the Petroleum Technology Research Centre, and the Innovation and Science Fund.

#### ...in community infrastructure

My government will support communities through the Canada-Saskatchewan Infrastructure Agreement, expending \$170 million over five years and creating up to 6,000 seasonal jobs in our municipalities.

#### ...in rural Saskatchewan

The strength of Saskatchewan's rural economy is crucial to our growth, sustainability, and lifestyle.

My government has created a new Office of Rural Revitalization to support economic development in rural Saskatchewan.

My government will increase expenditures on agricultural research and development.

Other measures will be introduced during this session to assist farmers, including:

- Programs designed to help farm families take advantage of new opportunities and to manage change in their present day operations; and
- The Saskatchewan Conservation Cover Program, which will provide direct payment to farmers converting marginal agricultural lands to a perennial cover.

Saskatchewan's rural landscape is changing dramatically due to rail line abandonment and elevator closures. We are working with communities and grass roots organizations throughout the province on options to retain branch lines, which if successful, will help preserve rural economies and help minimize road impacts.

#### ...in transportation

Our roads and highways have been under extreme pressure for the last decade. The dramatic transfer of goods from rail to road, along with economic growth throughout the province, has created great challenges.

Due to our strong economy, my government can now better address highway renewal.

Spending on highways and roads will be at an all-time high in 2001.

This spending will mean substantial improvements to the highway system, including:

- An accelerated twinning program to complete the four-laning of Highway No.1 West by 2004.
- Rebuilding rural highways that form strategic corridors to move Saskatchewan grown and manufactured goods.

• Improving our primary and regional road system so that greater numbers of Saskatchewan's highways are capable of handling heavy traffic.

The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act will be introduced as part of a broader truck route management strategy.

#### ...in northern Saskatchewan

My government will work with communities in northern Saskatchewan to connect them to the future.

New initiatives in forestry will create 10,000 jobs by the year 2005, and business opportunities will expand in this sector. For example:

• An integrated forestry development plan will allow northern communities to participate fully in resource management ownership, in contracting and in employment opportunities.

Increased geophysical survey work being undertaken in the North will encourage new mineral exploration, and increased exploration using new technologies will improve the potential for developing new mines in the North.

#### ...in tax reform

Tax reform in our province has provided significant income tax cuts and attracted economic growth.

As of January 2, 2001 the Saskatchewan Flat Tax, the High Income Surtax and the Debt Reduction Surtax are gone.

Provincial income tax cuts in the years 2000 and 2001 will save Saskatchewan taxpayers nearly \$317 million this year. By the end of 2003 the total impact of tax reform will result in savings of over \$440 million per year, compared to 1999.

#### ...in economic planning

More than ten thousand people have worked together to develop an economic blueprint for Saskatchewan. Their plan is set out in *Partnership for Prosperity*, a document my government intends to release early in this session.

Globalization and technology are changing the way in which we work. Much can be gained through collaboration and co-operation.

My government will, therefore, establish a labour-business roundtable providing a forum for complete and open dialogue between employees and employers. The intent is to reach consensus on a wide variety of labour issues to the benefit of all Saskatchewan workplaces.

In summary, the Saskatchewan economy is strong and it is growing. My government will make strategic investments in people and infrastructure connecting to a prosperous future.

#### **HEALTHY CITIZENS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES**

It is our responsibility to ensure that every person in Saskatchewan can enjoy the fruits of our prosperity.

My government is working to help families and children, to support young people, to improve education and health care. It is working to keep our environment safe and wholesome. It is working to strengthen our unique Saskatchewan culture.

#### **Helping Families and Children**

My government is removing barriers that prevent too many people from sharing the benefits and meeting the obligations of full citizenship.

One of these barriers is poverty.

The Government of Saskatchewan took bold steps to reduce poverty and the effects of poverty among Saskatchewan families and children. The income security system has been redesigned. We began this work in 1997 and 1998 with the introduction of the "Building Independence" program. As a direct result of these initiatives:

- 3,800 fewer families, including 8,100 fewer children, rely on social assistance today.
- These programs, coupled with a strong provincial economy, have contributed to a record six consecutive years of declining social assistance caseloads.
- A Report Card on Child Poverty, produced by a national group called Campaign 2000, shows a decline in Saskatchewan's rate of child poverty for the second consecutive year. In the previous year's report card, Saskatchewan was the only province in Canada to register such a decline.

Children are our most precious resource, and we must continue to help in improving their lives.

My government will devote approximately \$73 million over the next five years toward Early Childhood Development programs aimed at children in high-risk communities. An important emphasis will be to prevent Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, which begins to limit the development of children before they are even born.

My government will introduce amendments to *The Labour Standards Act* during this session, to increase maternity and parental leave provisions from the current level of 30 weeks to 50 weeks.

#### **Improving Education**

The key to success for our young people in the knowledge-based economy is good education and work training, and these are priorities for this government.

My government is:

- Connecting students to educational opportunities through modern technology.
- Renovating, expanding and building new schools in our K-to-12 and post-secondary systems.
- Increasing the number of Community Schools and extending this program to secondary schools.

- Providing additional schools in rural, urban and northern communities.
- Developing a Centennial Summer Student Employment Program. Over five years this program will result in summer jobs for 10,000 high school and post-secondary students who plan to return to school. This innovative program allows young people to contribute to the cost of their education, and to gain valuable work experience here at home. It is an example of the priority my government places on youth.

#### **Connecting to Young People**

Connecting to young people means connecting to the future, for they will shape our future in this new century.

As we prepare to celebrate our centenary in 2005, it is appropriate that we work side-by-side with the leaders of tomorrow.

It is for these reasons that my government has created a new Department of Culture, Youth and Recreation.

Young people are the future of this province, and they are already demonstrating leadership and service.

My government extends an invitation to the youth of our province to consider careers in public service. We need their ideas, talents and energy in a changing world where their familiarity with information technology will assist in transforming our efforts throughout government and in communities.

#### **Connecting to Aboriginal peoples**

Saskatchewan must be a prosperous, secure and tolerant society, where diversity is celebrated and seen as strength.

My government recognizes the increasingly important role that Aboriginal people will play in the social and economic future of our province. This government is committed to working with Métis and First Nations people to secure that future.

My government has recently appointed a Minister whose work will be dedicated entirely to Aboriginal Affairs.

My government has announced a Métis and Off-Reserve First Nations People Strategy.

My government is committed to increasing Aboriginal participation in management and professional positions in the public service. Through a new Aboriginal Internship and Management Development Program we will see significant improvements in the representative nature of our public service at all levels including management.

During this session, my government will introduce *The Métis Act*, acknowledging the valuable contributions of Métis people to Saskatchewan. This legislation will improve our ability to work collaboratively in addressing important issues.

#### **Protecting our environment**

My government recognizes the links between the quality of our environment, the strength of our economy and the health of our people.

During this session, legislation will be introduced to ensure that oil and gas wells and related sites are properly decommissioned and reclaimed.

My government will also undertake a comprehensive review of its major environmental protection legislation aimed at enabling more effective and flexible management and protection of the environment.

My government will invest in wind power as a safe, renewable energy resource and we will develop programs aimed at energy conservation.

#### **Improving health care**

This province introduced medicare and will continue to provide health care that is a model for the rest of Canada.

The issues we face are complex and they require innovative solutions. As our ability to prevent disease and to treat acute and chronic disease improves, the costs of delivering these services increases.

It is time to renew health care in this province and my government is committed to putting in place the measures to do it.

Last year, this government created a Commission on Medicare to work with Saskatchewan people in identifying pressing issues, and recommending action to ensure a system that is sustainable, stable, and effective. The Commission's report will be delivered within the next several weeks.

My government will give careful consideration to the report and its recommendations. We will listen to the feedback from communities and stakeholders and we will then make the changes necessary to achieve a health care system that works well for the people of Saskatchewan.

This government will work to ensure that Saskatchewan's health care interests are placed on the national agenda.

During this session my government will also introduce *The Registered Nurses Amendment Act* to provide Advanced Clinical Nurses with the authority to perform the services that they have been trained to deliver.

#### Supporting a unique culture

Saskatchewan is rich in its cultural diversity. Our strength is found in our people and our communities.

My government knows that culture and recreation are central components of community life throughout Saskatchewan.

As well, the development of film and other cultural industries have become important generators of jobs and economic activities in our communities.

It is for these important reasons that my government has created a new Department of Culture, Youth and Recreation.

#### RESPONSIBLE AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT

My government is dedicated to providing a responsible and effective administration. Our citizens expect and deserve no less.

The opportunities provided by our coalition government create a unique opportunity for connecting to the future. The co-management team provides new perspectives to decision making and forges a collective wisdom in developing public policy and governing our province.

My government will continue to:

- Be open, competent and accountable;
- Practice sound financial management;
- Provide quality public services that meet the needs of Saskatchewan people; and
- Provide leadership in a strong and united Canada.

In this, too, we will build on the foundation of our success in the past.

This government has carried out fundamental tax reform that will both put more money in the pockets of our citizens and create economic growth.

Sound fiscal management in this province has resulted in our receiving three financial upgrades in the past year alone.

During this session my government will propose amendments to *The Provincial Auditor Act*. These will strengthen the independence of the Provincial Auditor and enhance accountability through improved reporting.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Friends and neighbors, springtime in Saskatchewan is just around the corner.

Indeed, as Edward McCourt has written: "Everywhere there are things to be seen and felt that exalt or soothe the sensitive spirit."

Soon the warming sunshine will be upon us. Our dreams are as limitless as our far horizons.

We plan for a bright future for our children and ourselves. We hold that future in our hands, and it is there for us to make of it what we will.

We have in our province the vision, the ideas and the people to connect us to that future.

A vision of hope, prosperity, caring and sharing.

Let us connect to that future beginning today.

I leave you now to the business of the Session, with full confidence that the government will favorably discharge its duties and responsibilities.

May Divine Providence continue to bless our province and guide this Legislature in all its deliberations.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Chamber.

3:00 p.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRO FORMA BILL

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Calvert, that a Bill respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office 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.

#### INTRODUCTION OF CLERK ASSISTANT (COMMITTEES)

The Speaker informed the Assembly that Mr. Viktor Kaczkowski had been appointed Clerk Assistant (Committees).

#### INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

The Speaker informed the Assembly that Amanda Lawson, Nichole McNaughton, Lori Rosom, Loni Schick, and Pamela Yungwirth would be pages for the present session.

#### TABLING THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

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

(Sessional Paper No. 1)

#### CONSIDERATION OF SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Ordered, That the Speech of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor be taken into consideration on Wednesday, March 21, 2001.

#### PRINTING OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Ordered, That the *Votes and Proceedings* of this Assembly be printed under the authority of the Speaker.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 3:15 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2001 $(2^{ND} DAY)$

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, Wall, and Bakken.

#### **ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER**

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

The Speaker informed the Assembly that only one candidate had declared to the Clerk his intention to stand for election of Deputy Speaker pursuant to Rule 27(1).

(Sessional Paper No. 2)

Pursuant to Rules 27(4) and 26(3), Mr. Lindy Kasperski, Member for the Constituency of Regina Sherwood, was declared elected as Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

#### SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBERS ON STANDING OR SPECIAL COMMITTEES

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Bjornerud, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Don McMorris be substituted for that of Mr. Bob Bjornerud on the Special Nominating Committee.

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. McMorris, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Ben Heppner be substituted for that of Mr. Brad Wall on the Standing Committee on Constitutional Affairs.

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. McMorris, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Yogi Huyghebaert be substituted for that of Mr. Wayne Elhard on the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

On motion of Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. McMorris, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Brad Wall be substituted for that of Mr. Ben Heppner on the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

#### REFERRAL OF REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE LIBRARY TO COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

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

Ordered, That the Report of the Saskatchewan Legislative Library, as Tabled in the present Session, be referred to the Standing Committee on Communication.

#### REFERRAL OF RETENTION AND DISPOSAL SCHEDULES TO COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

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

Ordered, That the Retention and Disposal Schedules approved under *The Archives Act*, by the Public Documents Committee, as Tabled in the present session, be referred to the Standing Committee on Communication.

#### REFERRAL OF BYLAWS TO REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

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

Ordered, That the bylaws of the professional associations and amendments thereto, as Tabled in the present Session, be referred to the Special Committee on Regulations.

#### REFERRAL OF PROVINCIAL AUDITOR REPORTS TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

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

Ordered, That the various Reports of the Provincial Auditor, as Tabled intersessionally and in the present Session, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

#### REFERRAL OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

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

Ordered, That *Public Accounts* of the Province of Saskatchewan as Tabled intersessionally and in the present Session, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

#### MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Order of the Day having been called for consideration of the Speech of Her Honour at the opening of the Session, Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. McCall, moved:

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

TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK 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. Hermanson, adjourned.

#### **MOTION PURSUANT TO RULE 46**

Leave of the Assembly having been granted, pursuant to Rule 46, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Serby, seconded by Mr. Boyd:

That this Assembly call on the federal government to provide \$1 billion to Canadian farm families immediately.

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

That the following words be added to the motion:

- (a) That this Assembly calls upon the provincial government to fulfil its commitment to negotiate and implement a long-term agriculture strategy and farm safety-net program in conjunction with the federal government;
- (b) That this Assembly recognizes the absolute necessity for the federal government to live up to its obligation in addressing the area of the international agricultural subsidy war and recognizes the severe negative impact that agricultural subsidies in other countries have had on the economy of Saskatchewan, both rural and urban, and;
- (c) That this Assembly be adjourned for a period of time to allow all MLAs to travel to Ottawa in a unified action to deliver this motion to the federal government and to once again draw attention to the ongoing crisis in agriculture.

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

#### YEAS - 27

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Toth	Stewart	Eagles	Wall
Bakken	McMorris	D'Autremont	Bjornerud
Weekes	Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer
Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch
Peters	Huyghebaert	Hillson	

#### NAYS - 30

Calvert	Trew	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Belanger	McCall
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Prebble	Jones	Higgins
Harper	Lorjé	Osika	Kasperski
Yates	Addley		_

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

#### TRANSMITTAL MOTION

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Speaker, on behalf of the Legislative Assembly transmit copies and verbatim transcripts of the Rule 46 motion and debate, with respect to the farm income crisis now facing Canadian farmers, to the Prime Minister of Canada, the federal Minister of Agriculture, the federal Minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board, and all Opposition Party Leaders.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 6:01 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2001 (3<sup>RD</sup> DAY)

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, Bakken, Bjornerud, Hart, and Allchurch.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Sessional Paper No. 4)

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

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

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

TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK 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. Hermanson, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer, in amendment thereto:

That the following words be added to the motion:

But regret that the government's Throne Speech fails to put forward any new vision for the future of Saskatchewan and does not put forward any innovative ideas to deal with challenges facing Saskatchewan in various areas such as health care, agriculture, education or economic growth.

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

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

The Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 2001 (4<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.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 Bakken.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

#### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday the Government House Leader (Hon. Mr. Lautermilch) raised a point of order concerning the propriety of a line of questions directed to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (Hon. Mr. Osika) by the Member for Rosthern (Mr. Heppner) during Question Period.

The Minister was asked how he would vote on legislation presently on the Notice Paper. I can find no prohibition in either precedent or parliamentary practice to say questions of this nature are out of order, as long as they relate to government policy on a particular issue. It is clear that questions related to matters of a purely personal nature, or with respect to party responsibilities, are out of order.

With respect to this point of order, I find that the questions are within acceptable limits. To ask whether a Minister will vote for or support legislation is a legitimate vehicle for seeking information on government policy. In response to the House Leader's point, I find that the issue of enacting whistleblower legislation can be viewed as relevant to the role and duties of any Minister.

Before concluding on this matter, I want to bring to the House another issue of concern that came to my attention upon review of yesterday's Question Period. That issue is the tendency at times for Members to personalize the debate by not directing comments through the Chair, or referring to Members by names other than their title, position or constituency. Yesterday, the Deputy Premier referred to two of his colleagues as Mr. Flip and Mr. Flop. Just as Ministers should be referred to by their position titles, other Members in this House should be referred to by their parliamentary position or constituency title. The reason for this is very simple. It guards against the tendency or temptation to personalize debate. Without being overly restrictive, I ask all Members to be mindful of these rules.

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

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

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

TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK 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. Hermanson, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer:

That the following words be added to the motion:

But regret that the government's Throne Speech fails to put forward any new vision for the future of Saskatchewan and does not put forward any innovative ideas to deal with challenges facing Saskatchewan in various areas such as health care, agriculture, education or economic growth.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:58 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

# Monday, March 26, 2001 $(5^{TH} DAY)$

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, Stewart, Wall, and Bakken.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 202 - The Holocaust Memorial Day Act

(Mr. Thomson)

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

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

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

TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK

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. Hermanson, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer:

That the following words be added to the motion:

But regret that the government's Throne Speech fails to put forward any new vision for the future of Saskatchewan and does not put forward any innovative ideas to deal with challenges facing Saskatchewan in various areas such as health care, agriculture, education or economic growth.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Speaker interrupted proceedings to make the following statement:

#### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

During debate on the Speech from the Throne on Friday, the Opposition House Leader (Mr. D'Autremont) raised a question of privilege regarding remarks by the Member for Cumberland (Hon. Mr. Goulet). The Deputy Speaker reserved a decision pending review of the verbatim. This morning, I received from the Opposition House Leader a formal notice of the question of privilege, pursuant to Rule 6, for which I thank the Honourable Member.

The Member's notice argues that the Member for Cumberland is in contempt of the Assembly for falsely alleging that there are financial and other connections between Official Opposition Members and the First Nations Party of Saskatchewan and for comparing these connections to illegal election financing activities by the Progressive Conservative Party in Manitoba. 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 (which means 'on first sight') has been established. When a *prima facie* case is established, consideration of the question of privilege must take precedence over all other business before the Assembly. The House then decides the matter by a vote.

In order for a *prima facie* case of privilege to be found, the actions complained of must amount to an impediment to a Member's ability to carry out his/or her functions as a Member. It must be clearly demonstrated that a Member has been obstructed or interfered with in his/or her parliamentary work.

In his privilege notice, the Opposition House Leader quotes from *Parliamentary Privilege in Canada* by Joseph Maingot, page 250, regarding reflections on Members. Maingot goes on to say "any reflections of course must relate to the Member's parliamentary work".

In reviewing *Hansard*, I find that the statements made by the Member for Cumberland, while they may be offensive to some, deal primarily with political party organizations. The statements do not impede the ability of any Members of this House from carrying out their duties in the Assembly. The main purpose of parliamentary privilege is to protect a Member's right to free speech in the Assembly. It follows then that Speakers should be reluctant to apply the rules of parliamentary privilege in a way that restricts Members' freedom of speech. Accordingly, I therefore rule that a *prima facie* case of privilege has not been made.

While the Opposition House Leader has not established a case for a breach of privilege, he did underscore a long-standing practice of this Assembly. That practice is that Members cannot do indirectly what cannot be done directly. In this regard, the practice of this Assembly is substantiated by the practice of the House of Commons, which is noted on page 522 of *House of Commons Practice and Procedure*.

In reviewing *Hansard* of March 23, 2001, page 95, I find that the Member for Cumberland did equate the Saskatchewan Party to the Tory Party, and in turn linked the Tory Party to acts that were in contravention of Manitoba's electoral laws. The insinuation is that the Saskatchewan Party, through its alleged connection to the First Nations Party in this province, might be involved in similar illegal acts. On page 525 of the *House of Commons Practice and Procedure* it is stated that, "a direct charge or accusation against a Member may be made only by way of a substantive motion for which notice is required."

I remind Members that the proceedings of this Assembly are based on a long-standing tradition of respect for the integrity of all Members. The integrity or motives of Members, whether individually or collectively, should not be questioned indirectly in debate. This was expressed in a Speaker's ruling made May 12, 2000, when a series of statements made in debate attempted to connect Members of the Opposition with criminal convictions. These comments were ruled out of order. I find the words of the Member for Cumberland to be similar in spirit and thus out of order. I ask him to rise and withdraw the offending words.

Thereupon, Hon. Mr. Goulet withdrew his remarks.

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY (CONTINUED)

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

The debate being resumed on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Elhard, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 9:51 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2001 (6<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Stewart, Wall, and Bakken.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act

(Hon. Ms. Lorjé)

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

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

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

TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK 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. Hermanson, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer:

That the following words be added to the motion:

But regret that the government's Throne Speech fails to put forward any new vision for the future of Saskatchewan and does not put forward any innovative ideas to deal with challenges facing Saskatchewan in various areas such as health care, agriculture, education or economic growth.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of the Hon. Ms. Crofford, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2001 (7<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Draude, Wall, and Bakken.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The Minister, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

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

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

# TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK 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. Hermanson, seconded by Mr. Gantefoer:

That the following words be added to the motion:

But regret that the government's Throne Speech fails to put forward any new vision for the future of Saskatchewan and does not put forward any innovative ideas to deal with challenges facing Saskatchewan in various areas such as health care, agriculture, education or economic growth.

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:

#### YEAS - 27

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Toth	Stewart	Eagles	Wall
Bakken	McMorris	D'Autremont	Bjornerud
Weekes	Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer
Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch
Peters	Huyghebaert	Hillson	

### NAYS - 30

Calvert	Kasperski	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Prebble	Belanger
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Addley	Jones	Higgins
Harper	Trew	Osika	Lorjé
Yates	McCall		

The debate continuing on the motion	, it was on motion of	of Mr. Kwiatkowski,	adjourned.
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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:46 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2001 (8<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Wall, Bakken, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Osika)

Bill No. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

#### APPOINTMENT TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE RIGHTS BOARD

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy, seconded by Ms. Higgins, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, recommending that Kenneth W. Acton, of the City of Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan, be reappointed as member of the Public and Private Rights Board, effective April 15, 2001 pursuant to section 6 of *The Expropriation Procedure Act*.

#### SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBERS ON STANDING, SELECT, AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Deb Higgins be substituted for that of Mr. Kim Trew on the Standing Committee on Communication.

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

Ordered, That the names of Mr. Ron Osika and Ms. Janice MacKinnon be substituted for that of Mr. Jack Hillson and Mr. Myron Kowalsky on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

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

Ordered, That the names of Mr. Ron Harper and Ms. Judy Junor be substituted for that of Ms. Pat Lorjé and Mr. Kim Trew on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Judy Junor be substituted for that of Mr. Myron Kowalsky on the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Judy Junor be substituted for that of Mr. Myron Kowalsky on the Standing Committee on Non-controversial Bills.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Janice MacKinnon be substituted for that of Mr. Kim Trew on the Standing Committee on Constitutional Affairs.

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

Ordered, That the names of Mr. Eldon Lautermilch and Ms. Deb Higgins be substituted for that of Mr. Dwain Lingenfelter and Mr. Lindy Kasperski on the Special Nominating Committee.

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

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Warren McCall be substituted for that of Mr. Ron Harper on the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Judy Junor be substituted for that of Mr. Myron Kowalsky on the Standing Committee on Education.

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

Ordered, That the names of Mr. Ron Osika and Ms. Judy Junor be substituted for that of Mr. Jack Hillson and Mr. Myron Kowalsky on the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures.

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

Ordered, That the names of Mr. Kevin Yates and Mr. Eldon Lautermilch be substituted for that of Mr. Myron Kowalsky and Mr. Dwain Lingenfelter on the Continuing Select Committee.

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

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Warren McCall be substituted for that of Mr. Kim Trew on the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Pat Atkinson be substituted for that of Mr. Dwain Lingenfelter on the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

#### **SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS**

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the following:

Financial Statements of the New Democratic Party Caucus for the period ended March 31, 2000 (Sessional Paper No. 6)

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Party Caucus for the period September 16, 1999 to March 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 7)

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Liberal Caucus for the period ended March 31, 2000 (Sessional Paper No. 8)

MLA's Accountability and Disclosure Reports for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2000, pursuant to Directive No. 22 of the Board of Internal Economy.

(Sessional Paper No. 9)

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 1, it was answered. (See Appendix)

#### **ADDRESS IN REPLY**

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

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

# TO HER HONOUR THE HONOURABLE LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK

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, the Speaker interrupted proceedings pursuant to Rule 14(4) and put the question, which was agreed to.

#### ENGROSSMENT OF ADDRESS IN REPLY

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. Kasperski:

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

### APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. Kasperski:

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.

### APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR OF COMMITTEES

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Calvert, seconded by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Mr. Graham Addley, Member for the constituency of Saskatoon Sutherland, be appointed to preside as Deputy Chair of Committees of this Assembly.

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

The Assembly adjourned at 4:36 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2001 (9<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 2, 3 and 4, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### TABLING OF ESTIMATES AND SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

The Hon. Mr. Cline delivered a message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor which was read by the Speaker as follows:

Regina, March 30, 2001

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002 and Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for twelve months ending March 31, 2001 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

LYNDA M. HAVERSTOCK Lieutenant Governor

(Sessional Paper No. 11)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

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

# MOTION TO RESOLVE INTO COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

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

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Ms. Junor:

Ordered, That debate on the motion "That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance" be resumed on Monday, April 2, 2001.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 11:31 a.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

# MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2001 $(10^{TH} DAY)$

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, Julé, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, and Huyghebaert.

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 5 and 6, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 7 and 8, pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) Nos. 1 and 2.

#### **BUDGET DEBATE**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

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

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Wall, in amendment thereto:

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

urges the provincial government to cancel its plans to expand the civil service by 570.5 positions and instead use the money saved to provide \$30 million to municipal governments to allow them to hold the line on property taxes.

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

The debate being resumed on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of the Hon. Ms. Hamilton, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 8:41 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

# TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2001 (11<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 213 – The Recall of Members of the Legislative Assembly Act

(Mr. Hermanson)

#### BUDGET DEBATE

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

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

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Wall:

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

urges the provincial government to cancel its plans to expand the civil service by 570.5 positions and instead use the money saved to provide \$30 million to municipal governments to allow them to hold the line on property taxes.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 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. Axworthy:

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

Certified General Accountants Association of Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan Association of Chiropodists
Chiropractors' Association of Saskatchewan
College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan
Dental Technicians Association of Saskatchewan
Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan
Law Society of Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan Association of Licensed Practical Nurses

Society of Management Accountants of Saskatchewan Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association Urban Municipal Administrators Association of Saskatchewan College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan Saskatchewan Society of Medical Laboratory Technologists Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association Saskatchewan Dietetic Association Saskatchewan Association of School Business Officials Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation

(Sessional Paper No. 12)

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2001 (12<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, Huyghebaert and Hart.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 208 – The Saskatchewan Property Rights Act

(Mr. D'Autremont)

Bill No. 8 – The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Ms. Lorjé)

Bill No. 9 - The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Sonntag)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 9 and 10, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### **BUDGET DEBATE**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

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

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Wall:

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

urges the provincial government to cancel its plans to expand the civil service by 570.5 positions and instead use the money saved to provide \$30 million to municipal governments to allow them to hold the line on property taxes.

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

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

# THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2001 (13<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Julé, Draude, Stewart, Wall, Bakken and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

#### REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TOBACCO CONTROL

Hon. Mr. Kowalsky, Chair of the Special Committee on Tobacco Control, presented the Final Report of the said Committee dated January 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 13)

Moved by Mr. Wartman, seconded by Ms. Higgins:

That the Final Report of the Special Committee on Tobacco Control be now concurred in.

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

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 10 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Sonntag)

Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Sonntag)

#### **BUDGET DEBATE**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

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

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Wall:

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

urges the provincial government to cancel its plans to expand the civil service by 570.5 positions and instead use the money saved to provide \$30 million to municipal governments to allow them to hold the line on property taxes.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2001 $(14^{TH} DAY)$

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Elhard, Julé, Draude, Gantefoer, Stewart, Bakken, Hart, Huyghebaert, and Wall.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 provide necessary funding to upgrade Highway 43.

(Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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. 212 - The Balanced Budget Act, 2001

(Mr. Hermanson)

Bill No. 12 – The Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Osika)

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Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act Projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs

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

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 11 to 52, pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answers were Tabled and, by reason of their length, converted by the Clerk to Return Nos. 3 to 44.

(Sessional Paper Nos. 15 to 56)

#### **BUDGET DEBATE**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

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

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Wall:

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

urges the provincial government to cancel its plans to expand the civil service by 570.5 positions and instead use the money saved to provide \$30 million to municipal governments to allow them to hold the line on property taxes.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, the Speaker interrupted proceedings pursuant to Rule 15(3) and put the question on the amendment, which was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

#### YEAS - 26

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Toth	Stewart	Eagles	Wall
Bakken	McMorris	D'Autremont	Bjornerud
Weekes	Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer
Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch
Peters	Huyghebaert		
	NA	YS – 31	

Calvert	Kasperski	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Prebble	Belanger
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Addley	Jones	Higgins
Harper	Trew	Osika	Lorjé
Yates	McCall	Hillson	-

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

# YEAS - 30

Calvert	Kasperski	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Prebble	Belanger
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Addley	Jones	Higgins
Harper	Trew	Osika	Lorjé
Yates	McCall		

### Nays - 27

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Toth	Stewart	Eagles	Wall
Bakken	McMorris	D'Autremont	Bjornerud
Weekes	Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer
Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch
Peters	Huyghebaert	Hillson	

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

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 12:59 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

# MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2001 (15<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Julé, Draude, Gantefoer, Wall, Bakken and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide necessary funding to upgrade Highway 43.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The Minister having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 53, it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 54, pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to Return No. 45 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 60)

#### INTERIM SUPPLY

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider resolutions for Interim Supply.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

That a sum not exceeding nine hundred twenty-three million, two hundred and ninety thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002, the sum of nine hundred twenty-three million, two hundred and ninety 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.

### THE APPROPRIATION ACT, 2001 (No. 1)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 18 – The Appropriation Act, 2001 (No. 1) – be 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(2), the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed under its title.

#### ROYAL ASSENT

4:44 p.m.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took her seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed Her Honour:

#### 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:

Bill No. 18 – The Appropriation Act, 2001 (No. 1)

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I thank the Legislative Assembly, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Her Honour then retired from the Chamber.

4:46 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:48 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

# RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

Saskatchewan's State of the Environment Report 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 59)

# TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2001 (16<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Draude, Wall, Van Mulligen, Bakken, Nilson, Huyghebaert, Addley, Higgins, Junor, and Hagel.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 207 – The Regulatory Reform Act

(Mr. Wakefield)

Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

The Minister having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Ms. Crofford)

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN OVER EASTER

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3(4) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, that when this Assembly adjourns on Thursday, April 12, 2001, it do stand adjourned until Wednesday, April 18, at 1:30 p.m.

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN DURING VISIT OF THE PRINCE OF WALES

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3(1) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, that when this Assembly adjourns on Wednesday, April 25, 2001, it do stand adjourned until Friday, April 27, 2001, at 10:00 a.m.

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 55 to 58, they were answered. (See Appendix)

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Private Members' Public Bills and Orders, Second Readings.

#### BILL NO. 202 – THE HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY ACT

Moved by Mr. Thomson: That Bill No. 202 – The Holocaust Memorial Day 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 by leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 55, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

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. 202 – The Holocaust Memorial Day Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly reverted to Seventy-five Minute Debate.

#### MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

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

That this Assembly commend the Premier and the Government for initiating a plan to revitalize rural Saskatchewan through a series of new and ongoing programs to bring diversity, innovation and an improved quality of life to our rural communities.

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

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

urges the government to finally put forward a real vision and plan for strengthening the economy of rural Saskatchewan and the entire province that extends beyond slogans and the creation of another government department and bureaucracy with a mandate that even the Minister cannot fully explain.

The debate continuing and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to Rule 17(5), the Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings.

### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 1**, it was moved by Mr. Thomson, seconded by Ms. Junor:

That this Assembly endeavor to promote the rapid introduction of modern information technology to education, health care, and to individuals, organizations and businesses across Saskatchewan.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:
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 paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Pension Plan for the year ended December 31, 2000, including Supplementary Payment Information

(Sessional Paper No. 61)

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2001 (17<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Hermanson, Elhard, Julé, Wartman, Draude, Stewart, Prebble, Wall, Yates, McMorris, McCall, and Hart.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 19 - The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 20 - The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 215 – The Democratic Unionism Act

(Mr. Weekes)

#### SPEAKER TABLES REPORT

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, the Special Report to the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan Regarding Changes to *The Provincial Auditor Act*, Bill 14, April 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 63)

#### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday, the Member for Moosomin (Mr. Toth) raised a point of order concerning questions raised by the Member for Regina Dewdney (Mr. Yates) about the way in which another Member of the Assembly chose to vote on a particular issue, in this case the budget motion.

The Member for Moosomin cited Rule 32 of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan* which states that "No Member may reflect upon any vote of the Assembly, except for the purpose of moving that such a vote be rescinded."

With regard to the application of such a rule, *Beauchesne's*, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, on page 142, states that "In the House of Commons a Member will not be permitted by the Speaker to ... reflect upon, argue against or in any manner call into question the past acts and proceedings of the House." Marleau and Montpetit further note on page 525 that "Members may not speak against or reflect upon any decision of the House. This stems from the well-established rule which holds that a question, once put and carried in the affirmative or negative, cannot be questioned again. Such reflections are not in order because the Member is bound by a vote agreed to by a majority."

At the outset, I believe that is important to make the distinction between "any vote of the Assembly" and any vote cast by an individual Member. The prohibition stated in Rule 32 applies to reflections on decisions of the House itself and does not, in my interpretation, apply to reflections on the voting behaviour of individual Members. In his questioning of how the Member for Cypress Hills (Mr. Elhard) voted on the budget, I do not believe that it was the intention of the Member for Regina Dewdney to revive or revisit that particular debate or to reflect on that particular decision of the Assembly. Rule 32 is clear that such an action would most certainly be out of order.

If Rule 32 was to be interpreted in a broader sense, for example, that the rule does indeed apply to Members questioning the votes of individual Members, as the Member for Moosomin is suggesting, I am of the opinion that such an interpretation would severely curtail a Member's ability to attempt to hold another colleague accountable for his or her stance on a particular issue. In the course of debate, Members frequently challenge each other on their views and indeed on the way in which they have voted. I do not believe that it is the intent of this particular Rule to restrict this activity.

For the reasons cited, I must rule that the point of order by the Member for Moosomin cannot be accepted. I thank the Member for bringing his concerns to the attention of this House.

#### KEN FYKE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

Ordered, That a Committee of the Whole be authorized to question Mr. Ken Fyke, Commissioner, with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare, dated April 11, 2001, and further, to this purpose:

That Mr. Speaker do issue an invitation to Mr. Fyke to attend before the said Committee of the Whole at 2:30 p.m. on April 19, 2001, in the Legislative Chamber.

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 59 and 60, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS

### Bill No. 8 – The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 8 – The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001– be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

### Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act – be now read a second time.

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

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Education.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 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. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 62)

# THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2001 (18<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Elhard, Addley, Hermanson, Draude, Stewart, Osika, Wall, Junor, Bakken, Atkinson, Weekes, Brkich and Hart.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 61 to 66, they were answered. (See Appendix)

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Justice.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:51 p.m. until Wednesday, April 18 at 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated April 10, 2001.

# RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Research Council Employees' Pension Plan for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 64)

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2001 (19<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Hermanson, Draude, Gantefoer, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Higgins, Addley, Brkich, Hagel, Hart, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Sessional Paper No. 65)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide necessary funding to upgrade Highway 43.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting: Le projet de loi suivant est reçu, lu une première fois, et la deuxième lecture en est fixée à la prochaine séance:

Bill No. 210 – The Children's Law Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 210 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1997 sur le droit de l'enfance

(Mr. / M. Toth)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 67 to 69, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

### Bill No. 8 – The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 8 – The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

### SECOND READINGS

### Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Social Services.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Agriculture and Food.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

### OFFICIALS TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue an invitation to Mr. Patrick Fafard and Ms. Kathryn Dotson to attend before the Committee of the Whole at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 19, 2001, in the Legislative Chamber, in order to assist Mr. Ken Fyke with respect to questions concerning the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare.

### **ROYAL ASSENT**

4:59 p.m.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took her seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed Her Honour:

### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed a Bill which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which Bill I respectfully request your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the Bill that had been passed as follows:

Bill No. 202 – The Holocaust Memorial Day Act

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I assent to this Bill."

Her Honour then retired from the Chamber.

5:00 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:01 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. Nilson:

Interim Annual Report of Saskatchewan Health, Vital Statistics, for the calendar year 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 66)

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Group Life Insurance Fund, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 67)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Disability Income Fund, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 68)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Municipal Employees' Pension Commission, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 69)

# THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2001 (20<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Stewart, Wall, Brkich, Hart, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide necessary funding to upgrade Highway 43.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

#### SPEAKER TABLES REPORT

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 Financial Statements of Crown Agencies for the calendar year 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 71)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 70 to 76, they were answered. (See Appendix)

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

#### FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON MEDICARE

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

Pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated April 11, 2001, Mr. Ken Fyke, Commissioner, appeared before the Bar of the Assembly to answer questions with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare.

The Committee recessed from 4:10 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The Committee resumed its examination of Mr. Ken Fyke, Commissioner, with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare.

The Committee recessed from 5:40 p.m. until 6:15 p.m.

The Committee resumed its examination of Mr. Ken Fyke, Commissioner, with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare.

The Committee recessed from 8:01 p.m. until 8:25 p.m.

The Committee resumed its examination of Mr. Ken Fyke, Commissioner, with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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

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The Assembly adjourned at 8:26 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:

Report of the Commission on Medicare entitled Caring for Medicare: Sustaining a Quality System, dated April 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 70)

By the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

Annual Report and Consolidated and Non-Consolidated Financial Statements of the Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan and Non-Consolidated Financial Statements of CIC Industrial Interests Inc., for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 72)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Development Fund Corporation and Saskatchewan Development Fund for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 73)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Capital Pension Plan for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 74)

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation for the period from incorporation on May 11, 2000 to December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 75)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Power Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 76)

Financial Statements of SaskPower International Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 77)

Financial Statements of the Power Corporation Superannuation Plan, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 78)

Financial Statements of Power Greenhouses Inc., for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 79)

Annual Report of SaskTel for the year ended December 31, 2000 and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 80)

Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Telecommunications, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 81)

Consolidated Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Telecommunications International, Inc., for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 82)

Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Pension Plan for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 83)

Financial Statements of 3231518 Canada Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 84)

Consolidated Financial Statements of SecurTek Monitoring Solutions Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 85)

Financial Statements of DirectWest Publishing Partnership for the year ended December 31, 2000 (Sessional Paper No. 86)

Financial Statements of IQ&A Partnership for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 87)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of SaskEnergy Incorporated for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 88)

Financial Statements of SaskEnergy Incorporated, TransGas Limited, Many Islands Pipe Lines (Canada) Limited, Bayhurst Gas Limited, Swan Valley Gas Corporation, SaskEnergy International Incorporated, SaskEnergy Chilean Holdings I Ltd., SaskEnergy Chilean Holdings II Ltd., and SaskEnergy Chilean Holdings Limitada, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 89)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Insurance for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 90)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Auto Fund for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 91)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of SGI CANADA Insurance Services Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 92)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Superannuation Plan for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 93)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Transportation Company for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 94)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Water Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 95)

Financial Statements of Lucky Lake Potato Storage Inc. (unaudited), for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 96)

Financial Statements of Riverhurst Potato Storage Inc. (unaudited), for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 97)

Financial Statements of Tullis Potato Storage Inc. (unaudited), for the year ended December 31, 2000 (Sessional Paper No. 98)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 99)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund Management Corporation, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 100)

Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 101)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund II Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 102)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund III Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 103)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund IV Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 104)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund V (1997) Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 105)

Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund VI Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 106)

Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund VII Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 107)

Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund VIII Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 108)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 109)

# FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2001 (21<sup>ST</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Julé, Draude, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Hart, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS

The following Petitions were presented and laid upon the Table:

By Ms. Higgins - Of the International Bible College of Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan

By Mr. Addley – Of the Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation, in the Province of Saskatchewan

By Ms. Higgins – Of the Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan

By Mr. Wartman - Of the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, in the Province of

Saskatchewan

By Ms. Higgins – Of the St. Anthony's Home, Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan

By Mr. Addley – Of the St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Sessional Paper No. 110)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide necessary funding to upgrade Highway 43.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

### SPEAKER TABLES REPORT

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 2000 Financial Statements of CIC Crown Corporations.

(Sessional Paper No. 111)

### **CONDOLENCES**

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Serby, seconded by Mr. Krawetz, 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.

**Martin Semchuk**, who passed away on November 15, 2000, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1960 until 1964, representing the constituency of Meadow Lake for the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation.

Mr. Semchuk was born on August 20, 1914 in Meath Park. He grew up on the family farm before being sent to Prince Albert for his schooling. Mr. Semchuk was predeceased by his wife, Josephine. He is survived by their three children and by his friend and companion, Marg Tatum.

In his private life, Mr. Semchuk operated a grocery business in Meadow Lake. He was also an active participant in the affairs of the community and a variety of organizations benefited from his participation. These included service groups like the Elks Lodge and Rotary, the Red Cross and the Salvation Army. He served on the town council and the credit union. Mr. Semchuk was president of the Meadow Lake Board of Trade. He was a director of the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce and the Saskatchewan Tourist Advisory Board. He sought to establish organized sports for the younger members of his town.

Mr. Semchuk's concern for the well being of his fellow citizens in northwestern Saskatchewan was evident in his endeavors. He participated in the efforts to create the Meadow Lake Provincial Park. In recognition of his role in establishing a winter road to Uranium City, the all-weather highway was named the Semchuk Trail in his honor in 1980.

Mr. Semchuk was elected to this Assembly in 1960. He later returned to work in Regina with the Departments of Natural Resources and Highways.

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. Serby, seconded by Mr. Krawetz, 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.

**Gordon Burton Grant**, who passed away on January 16, 2001, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1964 until 1975, representing the constituencies of Regina South and then Regina Whitmore Park for the Liberal Party.

Mr. Grant was born on September 13, 1910 in Regina. He spent his childhood in Regina and attended local primary and secondary schools. He furthered his studies at the Universities of British Columbia and Toronto, before graduating with a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Saskatchewan in 1933. Mr. Grant was predeceased by his first wife, Eileen but is survived by their three children and by his second wife, Helen.

In his private life, Mr. Grant was a businessman. He was involved in real estate and owned the Walter M. Logan insurance company in Regina. Mr. Grant was also an active participant in the affairs of his community. He held a variety of positions from member, to president, to chairman in a number of local and provincial organizations. He served on the Regina Public School Board, the General Hospital, the Grey Nuns Hospital, the Cancer Society and the Salvation Army. He donated his time to the Kinsmen. He lent his business experience to the Chamber of Commerce, the Exhibition Board and the Western Canada Fairs. Mr. Grant was also involved with the Saskatchewan Association of Urban Municipalities.

Mr. Grant first held elected office as an alderman with the City of Regina. Later he had the distinction of being the first native-born mayor of Regina.

Mr. Grant was first elected to this Assembly in 1964 and successfully retained his seat in the following two elections. Mr. Grant was responsible for several portfolios, including Highways, Industry and Commerce, Telephones, Saskatchewan Transportation, Saskatchewan Power Corporation and the Health department. He also served as Opposition whip.

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. Serby, seconded by Mr. Krawetz, 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.

**Delmar Storey Valleau**, who passed away on August 5, 2000, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1944 until 1948, as the Active Service Voters representative for service men and women in Great Britain.

Mr. Valleau was born on July 1, 1917 in Saskatoon. He spent his childhood in Regina and attended local primary and secondary schools. He served with the Royal Canadian Air Force during the Second World War. Upon his return to Canada, he married Olive Greer on January 29, 1945.

Mr. Valleau was a wheat farmer in Saskatchewan when he chose to pursue studies at the University of California at Los Angeles. Upon graduating with a Doctor of Philosophy, he joined the faculty at the Sonoma State University in California. Mr. Valleau played an important role in the development of the School of Social Sciences and served as its chair. He later took a leadership role in his capacity as the first chair of the Department of Management, a department he helped to found.

Mr. Valleau was first elected to this Assembly in 1944 and had the unique experience of serving as a Member at the same time as his father.

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. Serby, seconded by Mr. Krawetz, 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.

**John Russell Kowalchuk**, who passed away on August 18, 2000, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1967 until 1982, representing the constituency of Melville for the New Democratic Party.

Mr. Kowalchuk was born on August 30, 1921 at the family farm near Goodeve, Saskatchewan. He received his primary education in Shappert. He completed grades nine and ten by correspondence and grades eleven and twelve at the Goodeve High School. In 1941 and 1942, he furthered his studies at the Regina Normal School and received his teaching certificate. He married Emma Dohms in 1951 and they had one daughter.

Mr. Kowalchuk was a teacher by training but did pursue other careers and interests. He owned the Goodeve Locker Plant and later sold insurance with Elash Agencies. Mr. Kowalchuk's family was also involved in farming and this became an important part of their lives.

Mr. Kowalchuk demonstrated his commitment to his community by a lengthy record of public service. He was on the Board of the Rail City Industries. He was the chairman of the Melville Comprehensive School Board. He was Chairman of the Melville (North) School Unit Board for twelve of the fourteen years he served.

Mr. Kowalchuk devoted many years to civic office. He first served as a Reeve of the Rural Municipality of Stanley. Later, Mr. Kowalchuk served on the Goodeve village council from 1973 until 1985. He was mayor for the last three years.

Mr. Kowalchuk was first elected to this Assembly in 1967 and successfully retained his seat in the following three elections. He was appointed the first Minister of Tourism and Renewable Resources in 1974.

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.

#### TRIBUTE TO YVONNE MACK

A tribute was made to the life of Yvonne Mack, Members Services Librarian in the Legislative Library, who passed away on September 17, 2000.

#### TRANSMITTAL MOTION

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, 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.

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

The Assembly adjourned at 12:03 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

# MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2001 (22<sup>ND</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Hermanson, Stewart, Wall, McMorris, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide necessary funding to upgrade Highway 43.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS

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 International Bible College of Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend its Act of incorporation.

Of the Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to continue Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation.

Of the Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to dissolve Providence Hospital.

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

Of the St. Anthony's Home, Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to dissolve St. Anthony's Home.

Of the St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to continue the St. Thomas More College.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 204 – The Justice System Review Act

(Mr. Heppner)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 77 to 86 and 88 to 91, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 87, pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to Return No. 46 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 112)

#### SECOND READINGS

## Bill No. 10 - The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Sonntag, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 11 - The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Sonntag, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. McMorris, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont:

That the Assembly do now proceed to Private Members' Public Bills and Orders, Second Readings, Item No. 3, Bill No. 212 – The Balanced Budget Act, 2001.

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

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Hermanson Boyd Bakken Weekes Wakefield Peters	Heppner Stewart McMorris Kwiatkowski Wiberg Huyghebaert	Julé Eagles D'Autremont Brkich Hart	Krawetz Wall Bjornerud Harpauer Allchurch	
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Calvert Atkinson Sonntag Wartman Crofford Junor Harper Yates	Kasperski Serby Goulet Thomson Axworthy Addley Trew McCall	Hagel Melenchuk Van Mulligen Prebble Nilson Jones Osika Hillson	Lautermilch Cline MacKinnon Belanger Hamilton Higgins Lorjé	

The debate continuing on Second Reading of Bill No. 11, it was on motion of Mr. Wakefield, adjourned.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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. 8 – The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Environment and Resource Management.

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

The Committee being resumed, it then considered Estimates for the Department of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Energy and Mines.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 9:32 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

# TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2001 (23<sup>RD</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Gantefoer, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Wiberg.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide necessary funding to upgrade Highway 43.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 14)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 217 – The Accountability of Subsidiaries of Subsidiary Crown Corporations Act

(Mr. Wall)

### SPEAKER INFORMS ASSEMBLY OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS

The Speaker informed the Assembly that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly had received from the Chief Electoral Officer:

A certificate of the following elections and returns:

Of Mr. Warren McCall as Member of the Constituency of Regina Elphinstone

Of Mr. Lorne Calvert as Member of the Constituency of Saskatoon Riversdale

(Sessional Paper No. 113)

#### ROYAL ASSENT

2:26 p.m.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took her seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed Her Honour:

### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed a Bill which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which Bill I respectfully request your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the Bill that had been passed as follows:

Bill No. 8 – The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I assent to this Bill."

Her Honour then retired from the Chamber.

2:28 p.m.

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 2**, it was moved by Mr. Wall, seconded by Mr. Brkich:

That this Assembly urges the government to consider providing greater financial relief to Saskatchewan residents facing massive increases in energy costs, especially in light of growing profits at the Crowns, rising levels of retained earnings in the Crowns and the windfall for the provincial treasury gained through rising natural gas and oil royalties.

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

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

encourage the government to continue to provide Saskatchewan people the benefits of prudent management of the province's energy resources, Crown Corporations and finances.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Yates:

That this debate be now adjourned.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2001 $(24^{TH} DAY)$

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: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Gantefoer, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, and Peters.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 discontinue the use of public money for funding events that are pornographic in nature.

(Sessional Paper No. 114)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 221 – The Crown Corporations Amendment Act, 2001 (Appointment of Directors)
(Mr. Brkich)

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 92 to 99, they were answered. (See Appendix)

### SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

# Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act Projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Axworthy propose: Que le projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

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

## COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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

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The Assembly adjourned at 5:02 p.m. until Friday, April 27 at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated April 10, 2001.

# FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2001 (25<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Toth, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Wiberg.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

#### REPORT OF THE PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS COMMITTEE

Mr. Wartman, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills, presented the Third Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

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 International Bible College of Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to amend its Act of incorporation

Of the Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to continue Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation

Of the Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to dissolve Providence Hospital

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

Of the St. Anthony's Home, Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to dissolve St. Anthony's Home

Of the St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan praying for an Act to continue the St. Thomas More College

(Sessional Paper No. 117)

On motion of Mr. Wartman, seconded by Ms. Julé:

Ordered, That the Third 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. 301 – The International Bible College Amendment Act, 2001

(Ms. Higgins)

Bill No. 302 – The Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation Act, 2001

(Mr. Addley)

Bill No. 303 – The Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw Repeal Act

(Ms. Higgins)

Bill No. 304 - The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

(Mr. Wartman)

Bill No. 305 – The St. Anthony's Home Repeal Act

(Ms. Higgins)

Bill No. 306 – The St. Thomas More College Act, 2001

(Mr. Addley)

The said Bills were read the first time, and ordered for Second Reading at the next sitting, pursuant to Rule 71.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 205 – The Sex Offender Registry Act

(Ms. Julé)

# MOMENT OF SILENCE

With unanimous consent, the Assembly observed a moment of silence in remembrance of workers killed or injured in the course of their employment.

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 100 to 102 and 104 to 111, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 103, pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to Return No. 47 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 120)

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 12:36 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. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board Superannuation Plan for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 115)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Dental Fund for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 116)

By the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2000, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 118)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Beef Development Board for the year ended March 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 119)

# MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2001 (26<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Hermanson, Gantefoer, Toth, Wartman, Wall, McMorris, McCall, D'Autremont, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to remove government funding of abortions.

(Sessional Paper No. 122)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 112, it was answered. (See Appendix)

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES

## Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act – be now read a second time.

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

### Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## **Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act – be now read a second time.

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

### **SECOND READINGS**

## Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Crofford: That Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training.

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

The Committee being resumed, it then considered Estimates for the Department of Labour.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Economic and Cooperative Development.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:04 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Liquor Board Superannuation Commission for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 123)

# TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2001 (27<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Gantefoer, Toth, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 216 – The Crown Corporations Disclosure Act

(Mr. Elhard)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 115 and 118 to 124, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 113, 114, 116, and 117, pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) Nos. 48, 49, 50, and 51.

# QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

The Member for Cannington, Mr. D'Autremont, rose on a question of privilege, pursuant to Rule 6(2). The Speaker deferred his ruling.

# MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

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

That this Assembly urges the provincial government to introduce legislation to protect youth in our province from those involved in the child sex trade before the end of the current session of the Legislature.

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

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

encourage the Special Committee to Prevent the Abuse and Exploitation of Children through the Sex Trade to present its report to the Legislative Assembly by the end of May, 2001, so that speedy and appropriate action based on the recommendations of the Committee may be taken to protect youth in our province.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mr. Krawetz, in amendment to the amendment:

That the following words be added after the word "province":

And that the government act on these recommendations, including introducing appropriate legislation, prior to the end of this session.

The debate continuing and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to Rule 17(5), the Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings.

### SECOND READINGS OF PRIVATE BILLS

According to Order, the following Bills were read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills:

Bill No. 301 –	The International Bible College Amendment Act, 2001	(Ms. Higgins)
Bill No. 302 –	The Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation Act, 2001	(Mr. Addley)
Bill No. 303 –	The Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw Repeal Act	(Ms. Higgins)
Bill No. 304 –	The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Amendment	Act, 2001 (Mr. Wartman)
Bill No. 305 –	The St. Anthony's Home Repeal Act	(Ms. Higgins)
Bill No. 306 –	The St. Thomas More College Act, 2001	(Mr. Addley)

### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 3**, it was moved by Ms. Higgins, seconded by Mr. Harper:

That this Assembly urge the federal government to do everything in its power to stop the proposed American trade sanctions against the Canadian softwood lumber industry, actions which are clearly protectionist in nature, actions which have the potential to adversely affect Saskatchewan exports of softwood lumber which were valued at \$190 million in 2000.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Wakefield, seconded by Mr. Allchurch, in amendment thereto:

That the following be added after the words "in 2000":

and that this Assembly expresses its support for the continuation and expansion of free trade agreements with other nations in order to limit such protectionist actions being taken against important Canadian industries in the future.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2001 $(28^{TH} DAY)$

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, Hermanson, Draude, Gantefoer, Eagles, Wall, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters and Huyghebaert.

### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

#### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday, the Opposition House Leader (Mr. D'Autremont) raised a question of privilege concerning an allegation made by the Member for North Battleford (Mr. Hillson) to a newspaper, that a senior official of the Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan (CIC) offered him a trip in return for not criticizing certain CIC investments. I thank the Member for raising this matter by the proper means and for doing it in a timely fashion. I also thank the Member for North Battleford for his intervention when the question was raised yesterday.

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; that is, whether on the surface of it, a 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 of the Opposition House Leader.

In making his case, the Opposition House Leader states that the allegation of the Member for North Battleford constitutes a breach of Rule 102 of the *Rules and Procedures* of this Assembly, and as such is a breach of privilege. Rule 102 states that "the offer of any money or other advantage to any Member of the Assembly for the promotion of any matter whatsoever pending or to be transacted in the Legislature, is a high crime and misdemeanor, and tends to be a subversion of the Constitution". The Member also quoted paragraph 101 of *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, which relates to a parallel rule of the Canadian House of Commons. I repeat the applicable part of *Beauchesne*, which is as follows: "... the offer of a bribe in order to influence a Member in any of the proceedings of the House, or of a committee, has been treated as a breach of privilege, being an insult not only to the Member, but also to the House". In each of these passages it must be stressed that the offer of money or advantage, or bribe as the case might be, must be related to the proceedings of the House or a committee.

Both Rule 102 and *Beauchesne's* paragraph 101 are based on practice at Westminster, which is described at page 112 of *Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice*, 22<sup>nd</sup> edition, "the acceptance ... of any fee, compensation or reward in connection with the promotion or opposition to any bill, resolution, matter or thing submitted or intended to be submitted to either House, or to a committee, is a contempt." Again, the operative part of this passage is the connection of the contempt with the proceedings of parliament. It is stated on page 60 of *Maingot's Parliamentary Privilege in Canada* that, "it would be a question of fact in each case whether the Member's parliamentary activities were fettered by the association in question (i.e. a financial inducement to take a particular course of action in parliament)".

In addition to the case made by the Opposition House Leader, I have a letter the Member for North Battleford sent to me during Question Period yesterday, just before the question of privilege was raised in the Assembly. In his letter, and in his subsequent statement in the House, the Member for North Battleford indicated that the exchange recounted in the newspaper article was accurate but that he did not characterize the exchange as "bribery". He did not claim that the exchange constituted a breach of privilege or a contempt. He also stated that an investigation was not required to determine what was said.

With respect to the concept of privilege, Speaker Lucien Lamoureux, said in the House of Commons in 1971, that, "... parliamentary privilege does not go much beyond the right of free speech in the House of Commons and the right of a member to discharge his duties in the House as a member of the House of Commons". The general contention of the Opposition House Leader is that, "the allegations made by the Member for North Battleford clearly constitute a *prima facie* breach of privilege against the Member for North Battleford and against all other Members of the House ..." From the statements of the Member for North Battleford does not feel that he has been impeded in the performance of his duties. Nor do I find that this allegation has impeded the parliamentary activities of any other Members of this House, collectively or individually. As the Member for North Battleford is the only Member directly affected by the alleged offer of a trip, and he has indicated no intention to claim a breach of privilege, I find that a *prima facie* case of privilege has not been established. Therefore, this question will not be given precedence over the other business on the Order Paper.

Before concluding the question of privilege I want to address the second part of the case made by the Opposition House Leader. The Member states, "The Member for North Battleford has made allegations that impugn the character of every Member of this Assembly by suggesting that Members' support on important issues can be bought". Although the Member for North Battleford has stated that he does not call the incident in question a "bribe", he nonetheless makes a very serious allegation. As Speaker, I share the concern of the Opposition House Leader and feel that this is a matter not to be treated lightly because it diminishes the respect for the House and its Members.

It is stated in *Erskine May*, page 112, that, "any person who is found to have offered such a corrupt consideration is also in contempt". When allegations of bribery or similar misconduct have been made at Westminster, the House of Commons has referred the matter to either a select or privilege committee for investigation. In Saskatchewan, we have a comparable precedent. In 1916 the Member for Prince Albert City made an allegation that certain Members had been offered and had accepted bribes in return for political support in the House. The issue was referred by direct reference to a committee for investigation. Although I have found that this case does not constitute a *prima facie* case of privilege, and therefore should not take precedence over all other business at this time, Members still have the opportunity to pursue this matter further by submitting a motion with the proper notice.

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 125, 126, 129 and 132, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 127, 128, 130 and 131, pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) Nos. 52, 53, 54 and 55.

## ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

## Bill No. 10 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 10 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

### Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act Projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act – be now read a second time.

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

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Heppner, il est ajourné.

#### SECOND READINGS

## Bill No. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Cline, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

# Bill No. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Finance.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2001 (29<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Hermanson, Draude, Toth, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Peters and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to ensure the Hafford hospital remains open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 65)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 133 to 146, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 147, pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 56.

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Environment and Resource Management.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Social Services.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:02 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

# FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2001 (30<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, Hart, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 overrule the Parkland Health Board's decision with regard to the Blaine Lake Medical Clinic.

(Sessional Paper No. 124)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

(Hon. Mr. Osika)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001	(Hon. Mr. Osika)
Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001	(Hon. Mr. Osika)
Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001	(Hon. Mr. Osika)
Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001	

#### **SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS**

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, pursuant to section 286 of *The Election Act*, 1996, reports respecting by-election financial activities by registered political parties and candidates, as follows:

Athabasca By-Election held on October 26, 1998	(Sessional Paper No. 125)
Cypress Hills By-Election held on June 28, 1999	(Sessional paper No. 126)
Regina Dewdney By-Election held on June 28, 1999	(Sessional paper No. 127)
Saskatoon Eastview By-Election held on June 24, 1998	(Sessional paper No. 128)
Saskatoon Fairview By-Election held on June 28, 1999	(Sessional paper No. 129)

Friday, May 4, 2001

The Speaker delivered a message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor communicating the membership of the Board of Internal Economy dated February 4, 2001, February 15, 2001, and April 25, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 130)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 148 and 149, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Agriculture and Food.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 12:56 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

# MONDAY, MAY 7, 2001 (31<sup>ST</sup> DAY)

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, Hermanson, Draude, Toth, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Harpauer, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Clerk informed the Assembly that on May 4, 2001, a certain petition regarding repair to Highway 22 between Cupar and Dysart was presented. Pursuant to Rule 12(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 cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

#### SPEAKER TABLES RESIGNATION

The Speaker informed the Assembly that he had received the following communication from Mr. Lindy Kasperski, Deputy Speaker:

May 7, 2001

Honourable Myron Kowalsky, Speaker Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan Legislative Building Regina, Saskatchewan S4S 0B3

Dear Sir:

With deep regret, but due to my profound respect for the Legislative Assembly I hereby tender my resignation as Deputy Speaker.

I am also requesting that I be removed from those Standing Legislative Committees of which I am a member: Constitutional affairs, Crown Corporations, Private Members' Bills, the Special Nominating Committee, and the Continuing Select Committee.

Sir, it has been my privilege and honour to serve with you and all officers of the Legislative Assembly.

Yours truly,

Lindy Kasperski, MLA Regina Sherwood

(Sessional Paper No. 133)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 150, it was answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 151, pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 57.

#### SECOND READINGS

# Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act – be now read a second time.

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

### ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

## Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act Projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act – be now read a second time.

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

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Wiberg, il est ajourné.

# Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Crofford: That Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Culture, Youth and Recreation.

The Committee then considered Estimates for Women's Secretariat.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 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 the Health Services Utilization and Research Commission for the year ended March 31, 2000, including Payee List

(Sessional Paper No. 131)

Financial Statements of the Uranium City Hospital for the year ended March 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 132)

# TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2001 (32<sup>ND</sup> DAY)

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, Draude, Gantefoer, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Harpauer, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

Bill No. 27 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act Projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale

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

### **ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER**

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

Mr. Graham Addley, Member for the Constituency of Saskatoon Sutherland

Mr. Ron Harper, Member for the Constituency of Regina Northeast

(Sessional Paper No. 135)

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 2:38 p.m. the sitting was recessed during the counting of the ballots.

At 2:50 p.m. the sitting resumed and the Clerk informed the Assembly that Mr. Graham Addley, Member for the Constituency of Saskatoon Sutherland, had been duly elected Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 4**, it was moved by Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. Heppner:

That the allegations made by the member for North Battleford in the May 1, 2001 Saskatoon Star Phoenix article entitled "Hillson alleges bribe to shut up" be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections for investigation.

A debate arising, it was moved by Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

That this debate be now adjourned.

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

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Calvert	Kasperski	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Thomson	Prebble	Belanger	Crofford
Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton	Junor
Addley	Jones	Higgins	Harper
Trew	Osika	Lorjé	Yates
McCall			

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Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Krawetz
Draude	Gantefoer	Stewart	Eagles
Wall	Bakken	McMorris	D'Autremont
Weekes	Bjornerud	Kwiatkowski	Brkich
Harpauer	Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart
Allchurch	Huyghebaert		

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 5**, Mr. D'Autremont raised a point of order that quorum was not present and, pursuant to Rule 5(3), a count was taken. There being quorum, the Assembly resumed proceedings on Motion No. 5.

It was moved by Mr. Prebble, seconded by Mr. Yates:

That this Assembly work with the Government of Saskatchewan to implement the Strategy for Early Childhood Development, a program built on initiatives begun with the Child Action Plan, a program that will support the healthy growth and development of Saskatchewan children.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2001 (33<sup>RD</sup> DAY)

1:30 p.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER

The Clerk advised the Assembly that the Speaker would not be present to open the sitting. Thereupon the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Elhard, Hermanson, Draude, Gantefoer, Wartman, Stewart, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Higgins, Brkich, and Harpauer.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 152, pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 58.

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 153 to 156, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS

## Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

#### Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Sonntag, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES

## Bill No. 10 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 10 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 11 - The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

#### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development (Northern Affairs).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2001 (34<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Julé, Draude, Wall, Harper, Bakken, Brkich, Harpauer, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

#### REPORT OF THE PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS COMMITTEE

Mr. Wartman, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills, presented the Fourth 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. 301 – The International Bible College Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 302 – The Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation Act, 2001

Bill No. 304 - The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 305 – The St. Anthony's Home Repeal Act

Your Committee has considered the following Bills and has agreed to report the same with amendment:

Bill No. 303 – The Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw Repeal Act

Bill No. 306 - The St. Thomas More College Act, 2001

And further, that the fees respecting Bills 301, 302, 303, 305 and 306 be remitted to the petitioners less the cost of printing.

(Sessional Paper No. 138)

On motion of Mr. Wartman, seconded by Ms. Higgins:

Ordered, That the Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills be now concurred in.

## REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Mr. Krawetz, Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the First Report of the said Committee.

(Sessional Paper No. 139)

On motion of Mr. Krawetz, seconded by Mr. Harper:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be now concurred in.

### WITHDRAWAL OF BILL NO. 21

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of Bill No. 21 – The Municipal Employees' Pension Amendment Act, 2001 – the said Bill was withdrawn.

#### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Yesterday, while the Assembly was considering a motion under Rule 46, two points of order were raised. I have had an opportunity to review the record and am prepared to rule on both matters.

The first point of order was raised by the Government House Leader (Hon. Mr. Lautermilch) concerning the comments made by the Leader of the Opposition in seeking leave under Rule 46 for his motion. Rule 46 does not require notice but does permit the mover to explain the "urgent and pressing necessity" of his or her motion. This has been consistently interpreted by the Speaker as a very brief and concise statement indicating why the mover believes the matter is of an urgent and pressing nature to warrant the setting aside of the normal business of the House, along with a reading of the motion itself.

In reviewing the words of the Leader of the Opposition, I find that his comments stretch beyond the normally accepted boundaries. I draw Members' attention to a statement by the Speaker on March 16, 1999 wherein it was held that a mover might not introduce material that is more in the nature of the debate itself when seeking leave under Rule 46.

Therefore I find that the point of order is well taken.

A second point of order was raised by the Opposition House Leader (Mr. D'Autremont) in regards to the comments made by the Government House Leader in denying leave under Rule 46. The Opposition House Leader then sought to have these comments expunged from the official record.

I wish to point out to Members that Speakers in this Assembly have never been authorized to strike matters from the official record. This is the prerogative of the Assembly itself. The request of the Opposition House Leader can therefore not be granted.

I do wish to make one further observation on the proceedings of yesterday. The approach taken by the Government House Leader to voice his thoughts was not in order. There is no formal process provided to respond to a request under Rule 46 other than a yes or no. The Government House Leader could have sought leave to make his explanation. It may seem unfair for the mover of an emergency motion to be able to articulate why he or she believes the matter is of an urgent and pressing nature but for those of opposing views to be precluded from voicing their reasons for denying leave. However, this is not a matter that the Speaker is authorized to change. Rather, I would encourage any Member who would like to see a change to the current practice to raise the matter with the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures.

#### APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR OF COMMITTEES

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

Ordered, That Mr. Ron Harper, Member for the constituency of Regina Northeast, be appointed to preside as Deputy Chair of Committees of this Assembly.

#### SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBERS ON COMMITTEES

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

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Warren McCall be substituted for that of Mr. Lindy Kasperski on the Standing Committee on Constitutional Affairs.

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

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Warren McCall be substituted for that of Mr. Lindy Kasperski on the Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Deb Higgins be substituted for that of Mr. Lindy Kasperski on the Continuing Select Committee.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Deb Higgins be substituted for that of Mr. Lindy Kasperski on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

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

Ordered, That the name of Ms. Carolyn Jones be substituted for that of Mr. Lindy Kasperski on the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

## MOTION PURSUANT TO RULE 46

Leave of the Assembly having been granted, pursuant to Rule 46, it was moved by Mr. Hermanson, seconded by the Hon Mr. Calvert:

That this Assembly urge the federal government, in consultation with provincial governments, to develop and fund a National Water Quality Infrastructure Program, and that this initiative be added to the agenda of the Western Premiers' Conference, the annual Premiers' Conference and the next First Ministers' Meeting.

A debate arising, and the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to *nemine contradicente*.

#### TRANSMITTAL MOTION

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

Ordered, That the Speaker, on behalf of the Legislative Assembly transmit copies and verbatim transcripts of the Rule 46 motion and debate, concerning the emergency debate regarding the development of a National Water Quality Infrastructure Program, to Prime Minister Chretien, to Minister Goodale, to Minister Anderson, and all Opposition Party Leaders.

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 157, pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to Return No. 59 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 142)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 158, 161, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, and 170, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 159, 160, 162, and 163 pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) Nos. 60, 61, 62, and 63.

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Labour.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:56 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. Osika:

Recommendation of the Public Documents Committee under *The Archives Act* respecting Records Retention and Disposal Schedules as follows:

- 344 Department of Justice, Law Enforcement Branch Private Investigators and Security Guards Program
- 345 Farm Tenure Arbitration Board

(Sessional Paper No. 140)

By the Hon. Mr. Trew:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 141)

# FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2001 (35<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Elhard, Draude, Harper, Toth, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, Brkich, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 continue to increase the Foundation Operating Grant to School Divisions.

(Sessional Paper No. 143)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 29 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Hagel)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 171, pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to Return No. 64 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 144)

The Order of the Day being called for Ouestion Nos. 172 and 173, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 174, pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 65.

### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

## Bill No. 14 - The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# **Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act – be now read a second time.

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

#### SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

## Bill No. 27 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Cline, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 27 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001– be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act Projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Axworthy propose: Que le projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

#### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Public Service Commission.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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#### REFERRAL OF ESTIMATES TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel, seconded by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Estimates for the Legislative Assembly (Vote 21), the Provincial Auditor (Vote 28); the Chief Electoral Officer (Vote 34); the Information and Privacy Commissioner (Vote 55); the Ombudsman and Children's Advocate (Vote 56); the Conflict of Interest Commissioner (Vote 57); as well as Supplementary Estimates for the Legislative Assembly (Vote 21), be withdrawn from the Committee of Finance and referred to the Standing Committee on Estimates.

# AUTHORIZATION TO BROADCAST LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel, seconded by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That this Legislative Assembly authorize the broadcast of its proceedings on the Internet, and further; that the broadcast be made through the web site of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 12:46 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. Axworthy:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations:

Saskatchewan League of Educational Administrators, Directors and Superintendents Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

By the Hon. Mr. Trew:

Review 2000 of the Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board, Recurring and Current Administrative Issues, James E. Dorsey, dated October 3, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 145)

# MONDAY, MAY 14, 2001 (36<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Julé, Harper, Hermanson, Draude, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Wiberg.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 continue to fund the province's road network.

(Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to set aside any plans to revert Saskatchewan highways back to gravel.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 5)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Trew)

Bill No. 31 – The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Osika)

Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine (Hon. Mr. / L'hon. M. Axworthy)

#### INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

The Speaker informed the Assembly that Sarah Theaker and Jennifer Simair would be pages for this portion of the present session.

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 175, it was answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS

## Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Osika, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Osika, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

### Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Osika, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act

The Hon. Mr. Nilson, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act – be now read a second time.

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

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

# Bill No. 4 - The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## **Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Health.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 4:56 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. Osika:

Financial Statements of the Municipal Potash Tax Sharing Administration Board for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 147)

Financial Statements of the Northern Revenue Sharing Trust Account for the year ended December 31, 2000, including Supplementary Information.

(Sessional Paper No. 148)

# TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2001 (37<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Krawetz, Hermanson, Gantefoer, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Bjornerud, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and D'Autremont.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to include tow trucks in their description of emergency vehicles for Bill 78.

(Sessional Paper No. 150)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Sessional Paper No. 151)

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 raise the price of fishing licenses.

(Sessional Paper No. 152)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 176 to 178 and 180 to 182, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 179, pursuant to Rule 43(1), the answer was Tabled and converted by the Clerk to Return No. 66 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 154)

#### MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

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

That this Assembly condemn the Opposition for voting against the provincial budget which contained actions to improve Saskatchewan's drinking water.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Kwiatkowski, seconded by Mr. Krawetz, in amendment thereto:

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

the government for its planned strategy to keep information from the general public about the state of water safety in Saskatchewan as outlined in the communications strategy contained in the cabinet document brought to the attention of this Assembly by the Official Opposition.

The debate continuing and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to Rule 17(5), the Speaker interrupted proceedings.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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. 301 – The International Bible College Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 302 – The Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation Act, 2001

Bill No. 303 – The Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw Repeal Act

Bill No. 304 - The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 305 – The St. Anthony's Home Repeal Act

Bill No. 306 – The St. Thomas More College Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:14 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. Osika:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 153)

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2001 (38<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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, Hermanson, Hillson, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

#### **SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS**

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the Annual Report of the Children's Advocate for the year 2000 as well as a report from the Children's Advocate entitled *A Summary of Child Death Reviews: August 1996 to December 1998*.

(Sessional Paper No. 157)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 222 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001 (Set Election Dates)

(Mr. Huyghebaert)

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 183 to 186, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### APPOINTMENT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk:

That a Standing Committee on Health Care be appointed and empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to it by this Assembly, and to report from time to time their observations, thereon; with the power to send for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses under oath; and that Rule 94(1) of *The Rules and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan* be amended by adding the said Committee to the list of standing committees of this Assembly; and that the membership of the said committee be established by order of this Assembly and continue from session to session within a Legislature, and that all subsequent changes to membership be made pursuant to Rule 94(3).

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

#### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Finance.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN OVER VICTORIA DAY

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That nothwithstanding Rule 3(4) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, that when this Assembly adjourns on Friday, May 18, 2001, it do stand adjourned until Wednesday, May 23, at 1:30 p.m.

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

The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

# THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2001 (39<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Harper, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Hillson.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Sessional Paper No. 158)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 34 – The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement) Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Ms. Lorjé)

Bill No. 35 – The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 187 to 189, they were answered. (See Appendix)

# SECOND READINGS

# Bill No. 29 - The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Hagel, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

# Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Culture, Youth and Recreation.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2001 (40<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Julé, Van Mulligen, Draude, Harper, Stewart, McMorris, Hermanson, Weekes, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Hillson.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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. 36 – The Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001

Projet de loi n° 36 – Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

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

Bill No. 37 - The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 38 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 38 – Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2)

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

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 190 to 192, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS

# Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Trew, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for Saskatchewan Water Corporation.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Education.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 12:57 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated Wednesday, May 16, 2001.

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2001 (41<sup>ST</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Draude, Stewart, Wall, D'Autremont, McMorris, Bakken, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 recommend to the Government that it implement a major policy initiative aimed at raising wages of employees at Rail City Industries in Melville as well as other community-based agencies in the broader public sector.

(Sessional Paper No. 162)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to allow Bruno to be part of the Humboldt telephone exchange.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 110)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 203 – The Whistleblower Protection Act

(Mr. Heppner)

#### MEMBERSHIP OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk:

That the Standing Committee on Health Care consist of four Government members, three Official Opposition members, and one coalition Liberal member;

And further that members Judy Junor, Jim Melenchuk, Buckley Belanger, Andrew Thomson, Warren McCall, Rod Gantefoer, Brenda Bakken and Bill Boyd be appointed to the Standing Committee on Health Care:

And, that the membership may be transferable pursuant to Rule 94(4).

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

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES

#### Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 15 - The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Crofford: That Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Rural Revitalization Office.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Social Services.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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. Mr. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Deferred Salary Leave Fund for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 159)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Extended Health Care Plan For Certain Other Employees for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 160)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Extended Health Care Plan for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 161)

# THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2001 (42<sup>ND</sup> DAY)

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: Julé, Hermanson, Draude, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Brkich, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Hillson.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 steps to ensure that services are maintained at their current levels at the Weyburn General Hospital, Bengough Health Centre, Radville Marian Health Centre, and Pangman Health Centre.

(Sessional Paper No. 164)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

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(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

#### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

Ms. Harpauer, Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on Estimates presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

Your Committee considered the Estimates of the Legislative Assembly and adopted the following resolutions:

# **Main Estimates, 2001-2002:**

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the following sums:

For Provincial Auditor	\$5,136,000.00
For Ombudsman and Children's Advocate	\$2,651,000.00
For Information and Privacy Commissioner	\$105,000.00
For Conflict of Interest Commissioner	\$122,000.00
For Legislative Assembly	\$5,977,000.00

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002, the sum of eleven million, six hundred and fifty-eight thousand dollars be granted out of the General Revenue Fund.

# **Supplementary Estimates, 2000-2001:**

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001 the following sums:

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For Legislative Assembly .......$71,000.00
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Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001, the sum of seventy-one 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.

(Sessional Paper No. 163)

On motion of Ms. Harpauer, seconded by Mr. Harper:

Ordered, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Estimates be now concurred in.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The Minister having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Trew)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 193 to 195, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

# Bill No. 12 – The Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 12 – The Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

# Bill No. 31 – The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Osika, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Nilson propose: Que le projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

# Bill No. 34 – The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement) Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Ms. Lorjé, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 34 – The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement) Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:			
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.			
The Assembly adjourned at 5:01 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. Osika:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Housing Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2000, including Supplier and Grant Payments for 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 165)

By the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of SaskPower Northern Enterprise Fund for the year ended December 31, 1999.

(Sessional Paper No. 166)

# FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2001 (43<sup>RD</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Julé, Draude, Addley, Hillson, Stewart, Van Mulligen, Harper, Eagles, Yates, Wall, Higgins, Bakken, Prebble, McMorris, Wartman, D'Autremont, Weekes, Allchurch, Peters, Junor, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 196 to 200 and 202 to 203, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 201 and 204, pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) Nos. 67 and 68.

#### MOTION REGARDING THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk,

That the Standing Committee on Health Care be instructed to receive and report on representations from interested parties and individuals with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare, dated April 11, 2001;

And that the Standing Committee have the authority to sit during the intersessional period and during the legislative session except when the Assembly is sitting; to engage such advisors and assistants as are required for the purposes of the hearings;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized to televise the proceedings on the Saskatchewan Legislative Network;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized during any period of adjournment to make a report on its inquiries by filing the same with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and that the report shall be distributed in accordance with *The Tabling of Documents Act*;

And that the Standing Committee file a written report no later than August 30, 2001.

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

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

to the current government's health reform initiatives undertaken since 1993 that have resulted in the closure of 53 hospitals, an increasing number of health professionals leaving the province, concern about the future of the College of Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan, and the longest medical waiting times in Canada as well as the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare, dated April 11, 2001;

And that the Standing Committee have the authority to sit during the intersessional period and during the legislative session except when the Assembly is sitting; to engage such advisors and assistants as are required for the purposes of the hearings;

And that the committee be obligated to conduct hearings in any community where conversion or closure of health care facilities is recommended;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized to televise the proceedings on the Saskatchewan Legislative Network;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized during any period of adjournment to make a report on its inquiries by filing the same with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and that the report shall be distributed in accordance with *The Tabling of Documents Act*;

And that the Standing Committee file a written report no later than August 30, 2001.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, 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, MAY 28, 2001 (44<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Krawetz, Draude, Gantefoer, Harper, Eagles, Wartman, Wall, Bakken, Higgins, McMorris, Yates, D'Autremont, Van Mulligen, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 legislate a total ban on smoking in enclosed public places and workplaces and on school property.

(Sessional Paper No. 167)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

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(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

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(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The Minister having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 33 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Lautermilch)

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

Bill No. 40 – The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Melenchuk)

Bill No. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001 (Hon. Mr. Melenchuk)

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES

# **Motion regarding the Standing Committee on Health Care**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

That the Standing Committee on Health Care be instructed to receive and report on representations from interested parties and individuals with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare, dated April 11, 2001;

And that the Standing Committee have the authority to sit during the intersessional period and during the legislative session except when the Assembly is sitting; to engage such advisors and assistants as are required for the purposes of the hearings;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized to televise the proceedings on the Saskatchewan Legislative Network;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized during any period of adjournment to make a report on its inquiries by filing the same with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and that the report shall be distributed in accordance with *The Tabling of Documents Act*;

And that the Standing Committee file a written report no later than August 30, 2001.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Gantefoer:

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

to the current government's health reform initiatives undertaken since 1993 that have resulted in the closure of 53 hospitals, an increasing number of health professionals leaving the province, concern about the future of the College of Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan, and the longest medical waiting times in Canada as well as the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare, dated April 11, 2001;

And that the Standing Committee have the authority to sit during the intersessional period and during the legislative session except when the Assembly is sitting; to engage such advisors and assistants as are required for the purposes of the hearings;

And that the committee be obligated to conduct hearings in any community where conversion or closure of health care facilities is recommended;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized to televise the proceedings on the Saskatchewan Legislative Network;

And that the Standing Committee be authorized during any period of adjournment to make a report on its inquiries by filing the same with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and that the report shall be distributed in accordance with *The Tabling of Documents Act*;

And that the Standing Committee file a written report no later than August 30, 2001.

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

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

#### YEAS - 22

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Toth	Stewart	Eagles	Wall
McMorris	D'Autremont	Weekes	Bjornerud
Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer	Allchurch
Peters	Huyghebaert		

#### NAYS - 28

Calvert	Addley	Lautermilch	Atkinson
Serby	Melenchuk	Cline	Sonntag
Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Wartman	Thomson
Prebble	Belanger	Crofford	Axworthy
Nilson	Hamilton	Junor	Harper
Jones	Higgins	Kasperski	Trew
Osika	Lorjé	Yates	McCall

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

# YEAS - 28

Calvert	Addley	Lautermilch	Atkinson
Serby	Melenchuk	Cline	Sonntag
Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Wartman	Thomson
Prebble	Belanger	Crofford	Axworthy
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Peters	Huyghebaert		

# **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Energy and Mines.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 10:28 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

# RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Association:

Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

# TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2001 (45<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Gantefoer, Wartman, Hillson, Stewart, Eagles, Harper, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, Van Mulligen, D'Autremont, Weekes, Addley, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, Yates, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to increase the Foundation Operating Grant to School Divisions.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 143)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to legislate a total ban on smoking in enclosed public places and workplaces and on school property.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 167)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act

(Hon. Ms. Lorjé)

Bill No. 43 – The Police Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 44 – The Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Belanger)

Bill No. 45 – The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Ms. Crofford)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 205 and 207, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 206, pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 69.

#### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 6**, it was moved by Mr. Heppner, seconded by Ms. Julé:

That this Assembly formally recognize the principles: that Cabinet is not above the law; that Cabinet must refrain from any interference in police investigations; and that government employees should not be punished for cooperating with police investigations and for providing documents and other evidence pertinent to a police investigation to the police.

A debate arising, it was moved by Ms. Julé, seconded by Mr. McMorris:

That this Assembly do now proceed to Private Members' Public Bills and Orders, Second Readings, Item No. 13, Bill No. 203 – The Whistleblower Protection Act.

The motion was ruled out of order on the grounds that the Member was speaking as the seconder of the motion and was therefore ineligible to move such a motion.

The debate continuing on Motion No. 6, it was moved by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Thomson, in amendment thereto:

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

that no Member of the Legislative Assembly or employee of the Government is above the law; that no Member or employee of the Government shall interfere with a police investigation; that no Member or employee of the Government shall be punished for cooperating with a police investigation; and, finally, should any employee of the Government believe that s/he has been punished for cooperating with a legitimate police investigation, that s/he has the right to take the matter to the Director of Labour Standards for an investigation pursuant to section 74 of *The Labour Standards Act*, and any and all other remedies that may be available at law.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Thomson:

That this debate be now adjourned.

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

#### YEAS - 30

Calvert	Addley	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Prebble	Belanger
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Harper	Jones	Higgins
Kasperski	Trew	Osika	Lorjé
Yates	McCall		-

### Nays - 27

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Toth	Stewart	Eagles	Wall
Bakken	McMorris	D'Autremont	Weekes
Bjornerud	Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer
Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch
Peters	Huyghebaert	Hillson	

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 7**, it was moved by Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Wartman:

That this Assembly urge the Government to carry through with its long term plan for education as announced in the budget, a plan which includes expanded community schools, enhanced operating grants, improved teacher training, greater access to the Internet, and increased early learning programs and specialists.

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

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2001 (46<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Hillson, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Harper, Wartman, Weekes, Addley, Bjornerud, Allchurch, Prebble, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Sessional Paper No. 169)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

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(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that services are maintained at their current levels at the Weyburn General Hospital, Bengough Health Centre, Radville Marian Health Centre, and Pangman Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 164)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2)

Projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2)

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

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 208 and 209, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### INTERIM SUPPLY

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider resolutions for Interim Supply.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

That a sum not exceeding four hundred seventy-nine million, six hundred thirty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty on account for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002 the sum of four hundred seventy-nine million, six hundred thirty-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.

### THE APPROPRIATION ACT, 2001 (No. 2)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 46 – The Appropriation Act, 2001 (No. 2) – be 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(2), the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed under its title.

#### SECOND READINGS

# Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Trew: That Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES

### Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Trew: That Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 20 - The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Rural Revitalization Office.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

#### ROYAL ASSENT

4:56 p.m.

His Honour the Administrator, 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:

Bill No. 301 – The International Bible College Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 302 – The Our Lady of the Prairies Foundation Act, 2001

Bill No. 303 – The Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw Repeal Act

Bill No. 304 - The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 305 – The St. Anthony's Home Repeal Act

Bill No. 306 – The St. Thomas More College Act, 2001

His Honour the Administrator 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:

Bill No. 46 – The Appropriation Act, 2001 (No. 2)

His Honour the Administrator 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.

4:59 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2001 (47<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Stewart, Eagles, Addley, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, Harper, D'Autremont, Higgins, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, Junor, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Hillson.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to legislate a total ban on smoking in enclosed public places and workplaces and on school property.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 167)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

## SECOND READINGS

# Bill No. 40 – The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Melenchuk, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. D'Autremont, seconded by Mr. McMorris:

That this Assembly do now proceed to Private Members' Public Bills and Orders, Second Readings, Item No. 13, Bill No. 203 – The Whistleblower Protection Act.

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

## YEAS - 24

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Boyd	Gantefoer	Toth
Stewart	Wall	Bakken	McMorris
D'Autremont	Weekes	Bjornerud	Brkich
Harpauer	Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart
Allchurch	Peters	Huyghebaert	Hillson

## NAYS - 27

Addley	Lautermilch	Atkinson	Serby
Melenchuk	Cline	Sonntag	Goulet
Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Wartman	Thomson
Prebble	Belanger	Crofford	Nilson
Hamilton	Junor	Harper	Jones
Higgins	Kasperski	Trew	Osika
Lorié	Yates	McCall	

The debate continuing on Second Reading of Bill No. 40, it was on motion of Mr. McMorris, adjourned.

# Bill No. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Melenchuk, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

# Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 29 - The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel: That Bill No. 29 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# **Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act**

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act – be now read a second time.

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

# **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for Women's Secretariat.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Health.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2001 (48<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER

The Deputy Clerk advised the Assembly that the Speaker would not be present to open the sitting. Thereupon the Deputy Speaker took the chair.

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Draude, Hillson, Wall, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Harper, Bjornerud, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

## READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to legislate a total ban on smoking in enclosed public places and workplaces and on school property.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 167)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

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# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 210 and 211, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS

## Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 44 – The Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Belanger, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 45 – The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Ms. Crofford, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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 – The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES

# Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

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# Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Agriculture and Food.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2001 (49<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Wall, Bakken, Harper, Weekes, Addley, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Sessional Paper No. 170)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 49 - The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

Bill No. 50 – The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Sonntag)

Bill No. 51 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Cline)

Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Ms. Atkinson)

# PRIORITY OF DEBATE

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

#### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Today, at 11:20 a.m., I received from the Member for Swift Current a written request pursuant to Rule 19 to move a priority of debate motion.

In examining whether or not the matter is proper to be discussed, I find that the Member for Swift Current has made a sufficient case. This issue at hand concerns the administrative responsibilities of government and could come within the scope of ministerial action. In considering whether this matter could be brought before the House by other means within a reasonable time, I note that there does not appear to be any obvious alternate way for this issue to be debated within the next few days. Therefore, I call on the Member to move his priority of debate motion.

The Speaker then called upon Mr. Wall, who moved, seconded by Mr. Bjornerud:

That this Assembly urge cabinet to implement measures to reduce the severe negative impact on homeowners, businesses, farms and public institutions of the Saskatchewan Rate Review Panel's recommended SaskEnergy rate increase; and that, in light of recent forecasts projecting a dramatic decline in natural gas prices, this Assembly urge cabinet to consider rejecting the current recommendations and referring the matter back to the Saskatchewan Rate Review Panel for further consideration.

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

That the word "implement" be deleted and substituted with the word "consider" and that all the words after "increase" be deleted.

The debate continuing, the Assembly recessed from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The debate being resumed and 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.

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 212 to 220, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

# Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Axworthy, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Axworthy propose: Que le projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2) – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

# Bill No. 43 – The Police Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 43 – The Police Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 37 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 37 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 38 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 38 – Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 38 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Axworthy propose: Que le projet de loi n° 38 – Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2) – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 9:27 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

# TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2001 (50<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Eagles, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Hart, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to increase the Foundation Operating Grant to School Divisions.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 143)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that services are maintained at their current levels at the Weyburn General Hospital, Bengough Health Centre, Radville Marian Health Centre, and Pangman Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 164)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

# REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

Ms. Junor, Chair of the Standing Committee on Health Care, presented the First Report of the said Committee which reads as follows:

Your Committee recommends that it be authorized to use the Legislative Chamber to facilitate the televising and internet-streaming of its public hearings.

(Sessional Paper No. 172)

On motion of Ms. Junor, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Health Care be now concurred in.

On motion of Ms. Junor, seconded by Mr. Thomson:

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Health Care be authorized to use the Legislative Chamber to facilitate the televising and internet-streaming of its public hearings.

#### MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

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

That this Assembly request that the Minister of Finance and the Minister of CIC immediately give a full explanation regarding the discrepancy between the budget projections for natural gas prices of \$3.39 per gigajoule for 2002 and SaskEnergy's projection for natural gas prices of approximately \$7 per gigajoule for 2002 on which the NDP government based its request for a 42 per cent rate increase to SaskEnergy customers.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Harper, in amendment thereto:

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

That SaskEnergy continue to provide Saskatchewan residents with the lowest possible natural gas rates.

The debate continuing and the period of seventy-five minutes having expired, pursuant to Rule 17(5), the Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings.

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 8**, it was moved by Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Yates:

That this Assembly, during Tourism Week, recognize the value of the Tourism industry to provincial employment and economic development; and join with the editors of many Saskatchewan newspapers and with the members of the tourism industry in urging Saskatchewan residents and people from across North America to visit the many attractions our province offers the traveller.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Toth:

That this debate be now adjourned.

The question being put, it was negatived.

The debate continuing on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Addley:

That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to, and the motion for the adjournment of the debate was deemed to have been made.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:48 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

# WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2001 (51<sup>ST</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Hillson, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 170)

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS / DÉPÔT DE PROJETS DE LOI

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. 53 – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Ms. Atkinson)

Bill No. 54 – The Education Amendment Act, 2001

Projet de loi n° 54 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

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

Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal (Regulatory Reform) Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Axworthy)

## SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

## Bill No. 35 – The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Axworthy, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 35 – The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

# Bill No. 36 – The Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 36 – Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 36 – The Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Axworthy propose: Que le projet de loi n° 36 – Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001 – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

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

## ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

# Bill No. 40 - The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk: That Bill No. 40 – The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk: That Bill No. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act Projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act – be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Heppner, il est ajourné.

# Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Nilson: Que le projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Weekes, il est ajourné.

## Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

# Bill No. 19 - The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

## Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Education.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 5:01 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. Cline:

Financial Statements Compendium, 1999-2000, Parts A and B (addenda to the *Public Accounts* 1999-2000 tabled March 20, 2001 as Sessional Paper No. 274)

(Sessional Paper No. 173)

By the Hon. Mr. Osika:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 174)

# THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2001 (52<sup>ND</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Hillson, Stewart, Wall, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Harper, Hart, Allchurch, and Peters.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 designate the restoration of Territorial House in the Battlefords as a Centenary Project.

(Sessional Paper No. 175)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 170)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

## **SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS**

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, the 2001 Spring Report of the Provincial Auditor.

(Sessional Paper No. 176)

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES

# Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 5 - The Dietitians Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Trew: That Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Trew: That Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

# Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 29 - The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel: That Bill No. 29 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Environment and Resource Management.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:57 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

# FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2001 (53<sup>RD</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

## PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Hillson, Stewart, Wall, McMorris, Harper, D'Autremont, Weekes, Wartman, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

## READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Clerk informed the Assembly that on June 7, 2001, a certain petition regarding increasing the Foundation Operating Grant to School Divisions was presented. Pursuant to Rule 12(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 call on the Government to repair Highway 43 from Vanguard to Highway 4.

(Sessional Paper No. 177)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 170)

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 56 – The Tobacco Control Act

(Hon. Mr. Nilson)

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 221 and 222, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### SECOND READINGS

# Bill No. 49 – The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 49 – The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 33 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch: That Bill No. 33 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

# Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Trew: That Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Health.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

On motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

The Assembly adjourned at 12:55 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Trew:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2000, including Supplementary Financial Information.

(Sessional Paper No. 178)

# MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2001 (54<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Wartman, Hillson, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Bjornerud.

## READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Clerk informed the Assembly that on June 8, 2001, a certain petition regarding funding for the province's road network was presented. Pursuant to Rule 12(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 cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to legislate a total ban on smoking in enclosed public places and workplaces and on school property.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 167)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 170)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to designate the restoration of Territorial House in the Battlefords as a Centenary Project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 175)

#### INTRODUCTION OF PAGE

The Speaker informed the Assembly that Graham Condo would be a page for a portion of the current session.

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 223, it was answered. (See Appendix)

## SECOND READINGS / DEUXIÈME LECTURE

# Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal (Regulatory Reform) Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal (Regulatory Reform) Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

# Bill No. 54 – The Education Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 54 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk: That Bill No. 54 – The Education Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

L'hon. M. Melenchuk propose: Que le projet de loi n° 54 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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

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

# Bill No. 53 – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 53 – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 51 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Cline, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 51 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

## ADJOURNED DEBATES

## Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Trew: That Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

# Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations 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.

# Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

# Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations 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.

# Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Crofford: That Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training.

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

The Committee being resumed, it then considered Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 10:27 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

# RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations:

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan Registered Psychiatric Nurses Association of Saskatchewan

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

# Tuesday, June 12, 2001 (55TH DAY)

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: Krawetz, Hermanson, Draude, Gantefoer, Hillson, Stewart, Eagles, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Harpauer, Wiberg, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to legislate a total ban on smoking in enclosed public places and workplaces and on school property.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 167)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Wood River constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 169)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

## STATEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

# Ruling on a Point of Order

Yesterday, the Opposition House Leader, the Member for Cannington (Mr. D'Autremont), raised a point of order requesting the tabling of a document by the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs (Hon. Ms. Lorjé). I have reviewed the transcript of page 1694 of *Hansard*. The Minister of Aboriginal Affairs in her comments referred to a letter but she did not quote from the letter. Therefore, the point is not well taken and the Minister is not required to table the letter.

# Money Recommendation for a Private Member's Bill

It is the practice of this Assembly for the Speaker to review all Bills after they have been introduced and read the first time for their procedural acceptability and in regards to Rule 36.

Rule 36 stipulates that no Bill that necessitates an appropriation of any part of the public revenue shall be considered by the Assembly without having first been recommended by the Lieutenant Governor. Speakers have consistently upheld the constitutional principle of Crown initiative in financial matters. Members of the Executive Council are held strictly accountable for all public expenditures and accordingly, only they may initiate legislation involving the imposition of new or additional charges upon the public revenue, or for the raising of any tax.

Over the past few days, I have had the opportunity to review a number of Bills and now wish to draw your attention to Bill No. 204 – *The Justice System Review Act* introduced by the Member for Rosthern (Mr. Heppner) and presently standing on the Order Paper for Second Reading under the heading "Private Members' Public Bills and Orders". The question that I must address is whether Bill No. 204 contravenes the parliamentary principle of the Crown initiative in financial matters.

Clause 2(1) of Bill No. 204 seeks to establish a commission of inquiry to review the Saskatchewan justice system. Clause 2(2) provides for the appointment of "one or more commissioners" by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. I refer Members to the ruling of May 6, 1998 where it was ruled that the creation of a commission and the appointment of commission employees clearly constitutes an expenditure of public funds requiring a royal recommendation. Similarly, a ruling on April 7, 1997 found that the creation of a Health Ombudsman as an Officer of the Assembly and the associated office entailed the expenditure of additional funds, which in turn, infringed upon the Crown initiative.

Likewise I find that Bill No. 204 requires such a recommendation. The Member for Rosthern is not a member of the Executive Council and is not entitled to obtain such a recommendation. Accordingly I must rule this Bill out of order and advise the Assembly that it will be removed from the Order Paper.

# WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 224, it was answered. (See Appendix)

## **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

The Order of the Day being called for **Motion No. 9**, it was moved by Mr. Wakefield, seconded by Mr. Hillson:

That this Assembly expresses its non-confidence in the provincial government due to policies that have led to Saskatchewan having the worst job creation record in the country, including the loss of 21,100 jobs in the last 12 months and the loss of 24,300 jobs since the NDP last promised to create 30,000 jobs during the 1999 election campaign.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Thomson, in amendment thereto:

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

encourage the government to continue to look at policies to diversify the Saskatchewan economy, to offset the loss of jobs in the agriculture sector, and to work towards the target of creating 30,000 jobs over the next five years.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Thomson:

That this debate be now adjourned.

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

# YEAS - 30

Calvert	Addley	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Prebble	Belanger
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Harper	Jones	Higgins
Kasperski	Trew	Osika	Lorjé
Yates	McCall		-

# Nays - 27

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Toth	Stewart	Eagles	Wall
Bakken	McMorris	D'Autremont	Weekes
Bjornerud	Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer
Wakefield	Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch
Peters	Huyghebaert	Hillson	

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

# WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2001 (56<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, and Hillson.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 make necessary repairs to Highway 35 in the Indian Head Milestone Constituency.

(Sessional Paper No. 179)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 170)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to call on the Government to repair Highway 43 from Vanguard to Highway 4.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 177)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 220 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001 (Votes of Confidence)

(Mr. McMorris)

Bill No. 57 – The Political Contributions Tax Credit Act

(Hon. Mr. Lautermilch)

#### SPEAKER TABLES REPORTS

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 fiscal year ended March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 180)

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 225 to 227 and 229 to 230, they were answered. (See Appendix)

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 228, pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 70.

#### SECOND READINGS

## **Bill No. 56 - The Tobacco Control Act**

The Hon. Mr. Nilson, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 56 – The Tobacco Control Act – be now read a second time.

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

#### Bill No. 50 – The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2001

The Hon. Mr. Sonntag, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 50 – The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

During consideration of Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001 – it was moved by Mr. Weekes:

Amend the printed Bill by adding the following Clause after Clause 2:

"Section 23 amended

- 2.1 Subsection 23(1) is amended:
  - (a) in clause (a) by striking out '20 weeks' and substituting '52 weeks'; and
  - (b) in clause (b) by striking out 'four weeks' and substituting 'six weeks'".

The Chair ruled the amendment out of order as it proposes to amend a section of the original Act that is not being amended by Bill No. 30. (*Beauchesne's* 6th Edition, paragraph 698(8)(b))

Moved by Mr. Weekes:

Amend Clause 4(1) of the printed Bill by adding the following after Clause (b):

- "(c) in clause (b):
  - (i) in subclause (i) by striking out 'four weeks' and substituting 'six weeks'; and
  - (ii) in subclause (ii) by striking out 'four weeks' and substituting 'six weeks'".

The question being put, it was negatived on Division.

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

Bill No. 30 – The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

#### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Justice.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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

## THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2001 $(57^{TH} DAY)$

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: Hermanson, Draude, Harper, Hillson, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, Weekes, Bjornerud, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 reconstruct and expand the Avonlea Dam.

(Sessional Paper No. 181)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that health care services in the Kamsack Hospital be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 156)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that services are maintained at their current levels at the Weyburn General Hospital, Bengough Health Centre, Radville Marian Health Centre, and Pangman Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 164)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 170)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to designate the restoration of Territorial House in the Battlefords as a Centenary Project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 175)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to make necessary repairs to Highway 35 in the Indian Head Milestone Constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 179)

#### SPEAKER TABLES REPORT

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Information and Privacy Commissioner for the period from February 23, 2000 to March 31, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 182)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 231 and 232, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

## Bill No. 10 - The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 10 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

#### Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 27 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 27 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act Projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens 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.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déféré à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

## Bill No. 29 - The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel: That Bill No. 29 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 19 - The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Social Services.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

## **ROYAL ASSENT**

4:53 p.m.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took her seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed Her Honour:

## MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed a Bill which, in the name of the Assembly, I present to Your Honour and to which Bill I respectfully request your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the Bill that had been passed as follows:

Bill No. 30 - The Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I assent to this Bill."

Her Honour then retired from the Chamber.

4:54 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:56 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2001 (58<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Draude, Hillson, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Clerk informed the Assembly that on June 14, 2001, a certain petition regarding the provision of a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers was presented. Pursuant to Rule 12(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 cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the provincial and federal governments to provide immediate financial assistance to the City of North Battleford in order to facilitate necessary improvements to their water treatment plant.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 158)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that services are maintained at their current levels at the Weyburn General Hospital, Bengough Health Centre, Radville Marian Health Centre, and Pangman Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 164)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately implement the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system province wide.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 170)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to make necessary repairs to Highway 35 in the Indian Head Milestone Constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 179)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to reconstruct and expand the Avonlea Dam.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 181)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 228 – The Election Amendment Act, 2001 (Financial Disclosure)

(Mr. Heppner)

#### SPEAKER TABLES REPORT

The Speaker laid before the Assembly the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Legislative Library for the period ending March 31, 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 183)

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

## Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 24 - The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 12 – The Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 12 – The Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

## Bill No. 31 – The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Osika: That Bill No. 31 – The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development (Northern Affairs).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:		
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.		
The Assembly adjourned at 1:00 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.		

## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Serby:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Milk Control Board for the year ended December 31, 2000, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 184)

## MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2001 (59<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Hillson, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Sessional Paper No. 185)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to designate the restoration of Territorial House in the Battlefords as a Centenary Project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 175)

#### MOTION TO RECESS

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now recess until 3:30 p.m. for the unveiling of the busts of The Honourable T. Walter Scott, The Honourable T.C. Douglas and the restored sculpture of the Right Honourable John G. Diefenbaker and that this Assembly reconvene at the call of the Speaker.

The Assembly recessed from 2:25 p.m. until 3:40 p.m.

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

## Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Nilson: Que le projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déféré à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

#### SECOND READINGS

#### Bill No. 57 – The Political Contributions Tax Credit Act

The Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that Her 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. 57 – The Political Contributions Tax Credit 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.

## ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

## Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal (Regulatory Reform) Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal (Regulatory Reform) Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 43 – The Police Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 43 – The Police Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

#### Bill No. 37 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 37 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 38 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 38 – Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 38 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) – 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.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 38 – Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2) – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

La motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déféré à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

## Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) – be now read a second time.

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

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2) – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et sur motion de M. Heppner, il est ajourné.

### Bill No. 35 – The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 35 – The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 36 – The Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 36 – Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 36 – The Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 36 – Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001 – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déféré à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

## Bill No. 40 - The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk: That Bill No. 40 – The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk: That Bill No. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

## Bill No. 34 – The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement) Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 34 – The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement) Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Trew: That Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 11 - The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

## Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act Projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions 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.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

La motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déféré à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

## Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Crofford: That Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

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 Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Saskatchewan Research Council.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Education.

The Chair interrupted proceedings, pursuant to Rule 3(3).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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

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The Assembly adjourned at 10:38 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

# Tuesday, June 19, 2001 $(60^{TH} DAY)$

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: Draude, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, Huyghebaert, Hagel, and D'Autremont.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

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(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 175)

## REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION

Mr. Speaker, as Chair of the Standing Committee on Communication presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which reads 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. 140 including Schedule No. 344 – Department of Justice, Law Enforcement Branch, Private Investigators and Security Guards and Schedule No. 345 – Farm Tenure Arbitration Board this Second Session of the Twenty-fourth Legislature and referred to the Committee by the Assembly on May 10, 2001.

Your Committee recommends to the Assembly that the recommendations of the Public Documents Committee on Schedule Nos. 344 and 345 be accepted.

Your Committee reviewed the Report of the Legislative Library for the period ended March 31, 2000.

The Committee also considered issues related to the broadcast of the legislative proceedings.

(Sessional Paper No. 186)

On motion of Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont:

Ordered, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Communication be now concurred in.

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 233, it was answered. (See Appendix)

#### MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

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

That this Assembly urge the provincial government to commit to expanding its efforts to prevent and eliminate Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effect, which are both completely preventable, and to make Saskatchewan a leader in the fight against Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effect.

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

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Government Orders, Adjourned Debates.

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

#### Bill No. 44 – The Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Belanger: That Bill No. 44 – The Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and 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.

#### Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act – be now read a second time.

## Bill No. 54 – The Education Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 54 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk: That Bill No. 54 – The Education Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Melenchuk: Que le projet de loi n° 54 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

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.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée et, en conséquence, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déféré à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

## Bill No. 53 – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 53 – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 51 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline: That Bill No. 51 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 56 - The Tobacco Control Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 56 – The Tobacco Control Act – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 50 – The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 50 – The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

### Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## Bill No. 49 – The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 49 – The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## Bill No. 33 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch: That Bill No. 33 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 29 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel: That Bill No. 29 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

## Bill No. 45 – The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Crofford: That Bill No. 45 – The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

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

The Committee recessed from 5:39 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Committee being resumed, it considered Estimates for the Department of Agriculture and Food.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Health.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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The Assembly adjourned at 10:54 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. Serby:

Orders under *The Provincial Lands Act*, dated May 1, 2001 (No. 334/2001)

(Sessional Paper No. 187)

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2001 (61<sup>ST</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, Bjornerud, Brkich, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take action to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at Pioneer Lodge in Assiniboia.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to designate the restoration of Territorial House in the Battlefords as a Centenary Project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 175)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 185)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 206 – The Saskatchewan Farm Security Amendment Act, 2001

(Mr. Bjornerud)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 234 and 235, they were answered. (See Appendix)

#### ADJOURNED DEBATES / DÉBATS AJOURNÉS

## Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 – be now read a second time.

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

## YEAS - 35

Calvert	Addley	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Prebble	Belanger
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Harper	Jones	Higgins
Kasperski	Trew	Osika	Lorjé
Yates	McCall	Krawetz	Boyd
D'Autremont	Wakefield	Huyghebaert	

### NAYS - 17

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Draude	Gantefoer	Toth	Stewart
Eagles	Wall	Bakken	Bjornerud
Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Wiberg	Hart
Peters		•	

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

## Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Axworthy: That Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) – 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.

L'Assemblée reprend le débat ajourné sur la motion de l'hon. M. Axworthy: Que le projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2) – soit maintenant lu une deuxième fois.

Le débat se poursuit et la motion, mise aux voix, est adoptée, sur vote, ledit projet de loi est lu une deuxième fois et déféré à un Comité plénier à la prochaine séance.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

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

During consideration of Bill No. 57 – The Political Contributions Tax Credit Act – it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Amend clause 5(4)(a) of the printed Bill by striking out "33%" and substituting "33 1/3%".

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

The question being put on Clause 5, as amended, 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. 57 – The Political Contributions Tax Credit Act

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

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act

Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act

Projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale

Bill No. 37 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 38 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2)

Projet de loi n° 38 – Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2)

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Justice.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$228,277,000 for Justice (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$11,800,000 for Justice (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

#### ROYAL ASSENT

4:58 p.m.

His Honour the Administrator, 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:

Bill No. 57 – The Political Contributions Tax Credit Act

Bill No. 2 – The Securities Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 17 – The Professional Corporations Act

Bill No. 28 – The Commercial Liens Act Projet de loi n° 28 – Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale

Bill No. 37 - The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 38 – The Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 38 – Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2)

His Honour the Administrator then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I assent to these Bills."

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

5:02 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:03 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. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Public Employees Dental Fund for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 188)

## THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2001 (62<sup>ND</sup> DAY)

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: Hermanson, Draude, Hillson, Stewart, Wall, Brkich, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

#### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

## Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act – be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Ms. Julé, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, in amendment thereto:

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

Bill 42, The Métis Act, be not now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six months hence.

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

## YEAS - 20

Hermanson	Elhard	Heppner	Julé
Krawetz	Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer
Stewart	Eagles	Wall	Bakken
McMorris	D'Autremont	Kwiatkowski	Brkich
Hart	Allchurch	Huyghebaert	Hillson

## Nays - 28

Calvert	Addley	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Wartman
Thomson	Prebble	Belanger	Crofford
Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton	Junor
Harper	Jones	Higgins	Kasperski
Trew	Osika	Yates	McCall

The debate continuing on Second Reading of Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act – it was on motion of Mr. D'Autremont, adjourned.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 27 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 51 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

## **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Centenary Fund.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$30,000,000 for Centenary Fund (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

The Committee, by leave, recessed for a period of one hour and thirty-five minutes.

During consideration of Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001 – it was moved by Mr. Elhard:

Amend section 104 of *The Urban Municipality Act, 1984*, as being enacted by clause 17(2) of the printed Bill by adding the following subsection after subsection 104(3):

"(4) Notwithstanding the generality of subsections (1) and (2), a bylaw passed pursuant to this section shall not limit competitive interests."

The question being put, it was negatived on Division.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

Amend Clause 60 of the printed Bill by striking out subsection (2) and substituting the following:

"(2) Subsections 46(1) and (3), 47(2) and (3), 48(2) and 49(2) of this Act come into force on assent but are retroactive and are deemed to have been in force on and from January 1, 2001".

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being put on clause 60, as amended, it was agreed to.

During consideration of Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001 – it was moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

Amend section 90.2 of *The Northern Municipalities Act*, as being enacted by clause 12(2) of the printed Bill by adding the following subsection after subsection 90.2(3):

"(4) Notwithstanding the generality of subsections (1) and (2), a bylaw passed pursuant to this section shall not limit competitive interests."

The question being put, it was negatived on Division.

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

Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

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

Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 31 – The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

## COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$165,129,000 for Municipal Affairs and Housing (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$2,980,000 for Municipal Affairs and Housing (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

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

The Assembly adjourned at 10:47 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2001 (63<sup>RD</sup> DAY)

10:00 a.m.

**PRAYERS** 

#### PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Draude, Hillson, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 make necessary amendments to *The Labour Standards Act* to recognize the needs of greenhouse proprietors and employees.

(Sessional Paper No. 189)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to call on the Government to repair Highway 43 from Vanguard to Highway 4.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 177)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 185)

### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN CORPORATIONS

Mr. Thomson, Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presents the Committee's Second Report of the Twenty-fourth Legislature, which is as follows:

Having duly examined the Annual Reports and Financial Statements of various Crown Corporations and related agencies, as referred to it from time to time by the Assembly, your Committee has completed its consideration of the reports of the following Crown Corporations:

Crown Investments Corporation, 1998, 1999 & 2000 SaskEnergy Incorporated, 1998, 1999 & 2000 SaskTel, 1998, 1999 & 2000 Saskatchewan Water Corporation (SaskWater), 1998, 1999 & 2000

The future business of your Committee includes the examination of the Annual Reports and Financial Statements of the following:

Information Services Corporation (ISC), 2000 Saskatchewan Government Insurance, 1998, 1999 & 2000 Saskatchewan Power Corporation, 1998, 1999 & 2000 Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation, 1998, 1999 & 2000

Your Committee may decide to undertake additional reviews of the 1998, 1999 and 2000 annual reports and financial statements of the remaining Crown corporations at a later date.

In its consideration of the activities of the Saskatchewan Water Corporation, your committee has identified an outstanding question regarding the application of the Crown Construction Tendering Agreement to the process the Corporation employed during 1997 and 1998 for the construction of the Broderick, Lucky Lake, and Riverhurst potato storage facilities. Your Committee wishes to advise that it will seek additional clarification from the appropriate minister.

Your Committee continues to wrestle with the issue of the overlap of responsibility that exists between the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations for the review of Crown Corporations issues. In the First Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, tabled May 10, 2001, Recommendation 23 reads "That *The Provincial Auditor Act* be amended to authorize the referral of the Auditor's report on CIC (Crown Investments Corporation) Crown corporations and their subsidiaries be directed to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations." Given the intent of the above recommendation and in light of the fact that amendments to *The Provincial Auditor Act* have yet to be passed, your committee has agreed to the following recommendation:

That those matters contained in the 2001 Spring Report of the Provincial Auditor pertaining to CIC Crown Corporations be withdrawn from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and referred to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

(Sessional Paper No. 190)

On motion of Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Wall:

Ordered, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations be now concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Krawetz, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That those matters contained in the 2001 Spring Report of the Provincial Auditor pertaining to CIC Crown Corporations be withdrawn from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and referred to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

### **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

## Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Atkinson: That Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

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

The following Bills were reported without Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendment, read the third time and passed:

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 40 – The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 41 – The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 54 – The Education Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 54 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Labour.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$13,408,000 for Labour (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

The following Bills were reported without Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendment, read the third time and passed:

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001

Projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal (Regulatory Reform) Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### MOTION TO GRANT LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to the Members for Moose Jaw Wakamow and Cypress Hills from Monday, June 25, 2001 to Friday, July 6, 2001 inclusive, to attend the Partnership of Parliaments in Germany, on behalf of this Assembly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 2:00 p.m. until Monday at 1:30 p.m.

## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations:
Saskatchewan Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

## MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2001 (64<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Stewart, Wall, Bakken, D'Autremont, Weekes, Hart, Allchurch, Hillson, and Hagel.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide funding for the proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment centre in the City of Weyburn.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 137)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Davidson and Craik Health Centres be maintained at their current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 168)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to designate the restoration of Territorial House in the Battlefords as a Centenary Project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 175)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 185)

### SPEAKER TABLES REPORT

The Speaker laid before the Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 30 of *The Ombudsman and Children's Advocate Act*, the Annual Report of the Provincial Ombudsman for the year 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 192)

### ADJOURNED DEBATES

### Bill No. 56 – The Tobacco Control Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Nilson: That Bill No. 56 – The Tobacco Control 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.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

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

During consideration of Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act – it was moved by Ms. Bakken:

Amend Clause 10 of the printed Bill by striking out Clauses (6) and (7) and substituting the following:

- "(6) Trustees shall serve as volunteers and are only eligible to be re-imbursed for actual travel and other expenses incurred in accordance with and to a maximum of the rates payable to members of the public service.
- "(7) A foundation may pay any travel and other expenses of trustees and any other costs of administering the foundation from its own money".

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

Moved by Ms. Bakken:

Clause 14 of the printed Bill is struck out and the following substituted:

"14 A foundation shall be bound by the directions of the persons who have made gifts, grants, bequests or donations to the foundation."

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

The Committee recessed from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

During consideration of Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001 – it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Amend clause 134(1.1)(a) of *The Planning and Development Act, 1983*, as being enacted by Clause 36 of the printed Bill, by striking out "of survey".

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Amend subsection (2) of Clause 45 of the printed Bill by adding ", 23" after "sections 20".

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 suivants sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

- Bill No. 9 The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 50 The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 10 The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 11 The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 3 The Historic Properties Foundations Act
- Bill No. 34 The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement) Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 29 The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 16 The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 45 The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 33 The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 49 The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 20 The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 43 The Police Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 35 The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 36 The Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001
- Projet de loi n° 36 Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001
- Bill No. 44 The Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001

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

Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Saskatchewan Research Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$8,390,000 for Saskatchewan Research Council (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$495,000 for Saskatchewan Research Council (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Public Service Commission.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$8,965,000 for Public Service Commission (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$21,719,000 for Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Environment and Resource Management.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Hagel:
Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.
The Assembly adjourned at 10:02 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

### RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Report pursuant to section 12 of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993*, respecting the Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan.

(Sessional Paper No. 191)

# TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2001 (65<sup>th</sup> Day)

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: Wall, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, and Hillson.

### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to pass comprehensive legislation to protect children from tobacco use.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 57)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to call on the Government to repair Highway 43 from Vanguard to Highway 4.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 177)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 185)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 236, pursuant to Rule 42(5), it was transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) No. 71.

By leave, a correction was tabled to Question No. 214. (See Appendix)

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Government Orders, Committee of the Whole.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act

Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Health.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

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

The Committee recessed from 5:03 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act Projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs

Bill No. 12 – The Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Women's Secretariat.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$1,183,000 for Women's Secretariat (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for Saskatchewan Water Corporation.

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development.

The question being put on the motion, "That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$67,896,000 for Economic and Co-operative Development (Ordinary)," it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

## YEAS - 22

Hagel	Lautermilch	Cline	Sonntag
Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Wartman
Thomson	Prebble	Crofford	Axworthy
Nilson	Junor	Harper	Jones
Kasperski	Trew	Osika	Lorjé
Yates	McCall		•

## NAYS - 26

Hermanson	Heppner	Julé	Krawetz
Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer	Toth
Stewart	Eagles	Wall	Bakken
McMorris	D'Autremont	Weekes	Bjornerud
Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer	Wakefield
Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch	Peters
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Huyghebaert Hillson

During consideration of the Supplementary Estimates for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development, it was moved by Mr. D'Autremont:

That the Committee rise and report progress.

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

## YEAS - 26

Hermanson	Heppner	Julé	Krawetz
Draude	Boyd	Gantefoer	Toth
Stewart	Eagles	Wall	Bakken
McMorris	D'Autremont	Weekes	Bjornerud
Kwiatkowski	Brkich	Harpauer	Wakefield
Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch	Peters
Huyghebaert	Hillson		

Nays - 23

Hagel	Lautermilch	Cline	Sonntag
Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Wartman
Thomson	Prebble	Belanger	Crofford
Axworthy	Nilson	Junor	Harper
Jones	Kasperski	Trew	Osika
Louid	Votos	MaCall	

Lorjé Yates McCall

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 Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Association: Saskatchewan Land Surveyors Association

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2001 (66<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Hermanson, Draude, Hillson, Wall, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, Allchurch, Peters, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to designate the restoration of Territorial House in the Battlefords as a Centenary Project.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 175)

## REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO PREVENT THE ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN THROUGH THE SEX TRADE

Mr. Prebble, Co-Chair of the Special Committee to Prevent the Abuse and Exploitation of Children Through the Sex Trade presented the Final Report of the said Committee dated June 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 193)

Moved by Mr. Prebble, seconded by Ms. Julé:

That the Final Report of the Special Committee to Prevent the Abuse and Exploitation of Children Through the Sex Trade be now concurred in.

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

### PRIORITY OF DEBATE

Before Orders of the Day Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, from his place in the Assembly, made a request pursuant to Rule 19 to move a priority of debate motion.

### STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Today, at 9:53 a.m., the Office of the Clerk received a request for Priority of Debate pursuant to Rule 19 from the Government House Leader and subsequently notification to the Speaker, the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the Third Party was made.

In reviewing the request for Priority of Debate, I find that the Government House Leader has made sufficient case for Priority of Debate and that the requirements of Rules 19(5) and 19(6) are met.

I therefore call upon the Government House Leader to now proceed to put his remarks and move his Priority of Debate motion.

The Speaker then called upon the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch who moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk:

That this Assembly does not regard the vote in the Committee of Finance on June 26, 2001 in connection with Estimates for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development as a vote of non-confidence in the coalition government; and further that this Assembly expresses its confidence in this coalition government, and urges the government to continue to provide progressive, effective government for the people of Saskatchewan.

A debate arising, the Speaker interrupted proceedings, pursuant to Rule 19(8) and put the question which was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

## YEAS-28

Calvert	Addley	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Melenchuk	Cline	Sonntag
Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon	Wartman
Thomson	Prebble	Belanger	Crofford
Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton	Junor
Harper	Jones	Kasperski	Trew
Osika	Lorjé	Yates	McCall

## Nays - 25

Hermanson	Julé	Krawetz	Draude
Boyd	Gantefoer	Toth	Stewart
Eagles	Wall	Bakken	McMorris
D'Autremont	Weekes	Bjornerud	Kwiatkowski
Brkich	Harpauer	Wakefield	Wiberg
Hart	Allchurch	Peters	Huyghebaert
Hillson			

## MOTION TO ADJOURN OVER CANADA DAY

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3(4) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, that when this Assembly adjourns on Thursday, June 28, 2001, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday, July 3, 2001 at 1:30 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 5:05 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. Axworthy:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations:

Law Society of Saskatchewan Saskatchewan Land Surveyors Association

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

By the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority for the year ended March 31, 2000, including Supplementary Financial Information.

(Sessional Paper No. 194)

## THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2001 (67<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Hillson, Hermanson, Draude, Stewart, Wall, Harper, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, and Huyghebaert.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 take immediate steps to increase funding in all areas of Speech and Language Services for preschoolers in Saskatchewan.

(Sessional Paper No. 195)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the districts of Rabbit Lake, Hafford, Blaine Lake, Leask, Radisson, Borden, Perdue, Maymont, Mistawasis, and Muskeg Lake.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 155)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 185)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to make necessary amendments to *The Labour Standards Act* to recognize the needs of greenhouse proprietors and employees.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 189)

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question No. 237, it was answered. (See Appendix)

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$309,492,000 for Highways and Transportation (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$500,000 for Highways and Transportation (Lending and Investing Activities).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$24,950,000 for Highways and Transportation (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Rural Revitalization Office.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$800,000 for the Rural Revitalization Office (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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. 53 – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### ROYAL ASSENT

4:48 p.m.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took her seat upon the Throne.

The Speaker addressed Her 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:

Bill No. 7 – The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 14 – The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 27 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 51 – The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 23 – The Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 24 – The Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 25 – The Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 6 – The Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 31 – The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 22 – The Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 40 – The Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 41 - The Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 54 – The Education Amendment Act, 2001

Projet de loi n° 54 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1995 sur l'éducation

Bill No. 39 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 1 – The Partnership Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 15 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 32 – The Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001

Projet de loi n° 32 – Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine

Bill No. 55 – The Miscellaneous Statutes Repeal (Regulatory Reform) Act, 2001

Bill No. 9 – The Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 50 – The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 10 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 11 – The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 3 – The Historic Properties Foundations Act

Bill No. 34 – The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement)
Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 29 – The Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 16 – The Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 45 – The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 33 – The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 49 - The Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 19 – The Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 20 – The Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 43 – The Police Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 35 – The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 36 – The Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001 Projet de loi n° 36 – Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 44 – The Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 26 – The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act

Bill No. 4 – The Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 5 – The Dietitians Act

Bill No. 13 – The Class Actions Act Projet de loi n° 13 – Loi sur les recours collectifs

Bill No. 12 – The Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 53 – The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 52 – The Railway Amendment Act, 2001

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then replied: "In Her Majesty's name, I assent to these Bills."

Her Honour then retired from the Chamber.

4:54 p.m.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

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The Assembly adjourned at 4:55 p.m. until Tuesday, July 3, 2001 at 1:30 p.m., pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated Wednesday, June 27, 2001.

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## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Agri-Food Council for the year 2000.

(Sessional Paper No. 196)

# TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2001 (68<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Stewart, Wall, McMorris, D'Autremont, Harper, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, and Allchurch.

### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to call on the Government to repair Highway 43 from Vanguard to Highway 4.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 177)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 185)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to make necessary amendments to *The Labour Standards Act* to recognize the needs of greenhouse proprietors and employees.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 189)

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and by leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 55, ordered to be read a second time later this day:

Bill No. 58 – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 2001

(Hon. Mr. Sonntag)

### **CONDOLENCE**

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Calvert, seconded by Mr. Hermanson, 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.

**Hugh James (Jim) Maher**, who passed away on May 11, 2001, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1950 until 1952, representing the constituency of The Battlefords for the Liberal Party.

Mr. Maher was born on October 5, 1910 in North Battleford. He received his schooling at local elementary and secondary schools before graduating from the North Battleford Collegiate Institute as the Governor General's Gold Medallist. Mr. Maher then furthered his studies at the University of Saskatchewan, completing a degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1933. On October 18, 1935, Mr. Maher married Florence Showell and they had two sons.

In his private life, Mr. Maher was a businessman. He worked for many years for the family insurance and real estate business, Maher Agencies Ltd. In later years, the business grew to include travel and construction units as well as Designex Buildings Ltd.

Mr. Maher was also an active participant in the affairs of his community. He held a variety of positions from member, to secretary-treasurer, to president in a number of local, provincial and national organizations. Mr. Maher was an active supporter of the Kinsmen and its band program, both as a local founding member of the North Battleford Kinsmen Club and as a provincial District Governor. He also donated his time to Rotary. Mr. Maher also served on the North Battleford Separate School District board.

Mr. Maher lent his municipal experience to the Battlefords Chamber of Commerce, the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association and the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities. At the provincial level, Mr. Maher served on the Price and Compensation Board and on the Local Government Continuing Committee on the reorganization of municipal government.

Mr. Maher first held elected office as an alderman in North Battleford. Later he held the distinction of being the longest serving mayor of his community with a total of eighteen years in office. Mr. Maher won election to this Assembly in a by-election in 1950 but served only until the next general election.

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.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Resolution just passed, together with a transcript of oral tributes to the memory of the deceased, be communicated to the bereaved family on behalf of this Assembly by Mr. Speaker.

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Government Motions.

## RECONSIDERATION OF SUPPLY RESOLUTION FOR ECONOMIC AND CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

Pursuant to the report of progress of the Committee of Finance as reflected in the *Votes and Proceedings* for June 26, 2001, this Assembly instructs the Committee of Finance to reconsider the supply resolution for Vote 45 for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development.

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

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Order of the Day being called for Question Nos. 238, 239, 240 and 241, pursuant to Rule 42(5), they were transferred to Motions for Returns (Debatable) Nos. 72, 73, 74 and 75.

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

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

Pursuant to an Order of the Assembly made this day, the Committee then proceeded to reconsider the Supply Resolution for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development.

A Point of Order was raised by the Opposition House Leader (Mr. D'Autremont) stating that the resolution was out of order on the grounds that the Committee could not consider the same question twice in the same session.

The Chair heard comments from Members and reserved his ruling.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

### SECOND READINGS

## Bill No. 58 – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 2001

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag: That Bill No. 58 – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 2001 – 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.

## **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

### Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Ms. Lorjé: That Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act – be now read a second time.

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

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

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

During consideration of Bill No. 56 – The Tobacco Control Act – it was moved by Mr. Gantefoer:

Amend the printed Bill by adding the following Clause after Clause 4:

## "Restriction respecting minors

- **4.1**(1) No person who is a young person shall:
  - (a) purchase or attempt to purchase tobacco, directly or indirectly;
  - (b) except as authorized by this Act or the regulations, possess or consume tobacco; or
  - (c) present false identification when attempting to purchase tobacco from a person lawfully authorized to sell tobacco.
- (2) Any person who is a young person who contravenes any provision of subsection (1), is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$100."

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

Moved by Mr. Bjornerud:

Amend Clause 6 of the printed Bill by adding the following after Clause (3):

"(4) This section does not apply to a tobacconist shop that meets the exemption criteria prescribed in the regulations".

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

Moved by Mr. Gantefoer:

Amend Clause 17 of the printed Bill by adding the following after Clause 17(4):

"(5) A tobacco enforcement officer appointed pursuant to this Act who is designated as the educational coordinator shall develop a required anti-smoking educational package of materials that must be taught in school starting at the Elementary level".

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

Amend Clause 27 of the printed Bill by adding "and that the accused exercised all due diligence to prevent its commission" after "knowledge".

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

The question being put on clause 27, as amended, it was agreed to.

During consideration of Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 – and the question being put on Clause 2, it was agreed to on Division.

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

Bill No. 56 – The Tobacco Control Act

The following Bills were reported without Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendment, read the third time and passed:

Les projets de loi suivants sont rapportés sans amendement, lus une troisième fois et adoptés:

Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2)

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

The Committee recessed from 5:05 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### STATEMENT BY THE CHAIR

Earlier today the Opposition House Leader (Mr. D'Autremont) raised a point of order with respect to an instruction made by the Assembly that the Committee of Finance reconsider a supply resolution for Vote 45, Department of Economic and Co-operative Development. The supply resolution was defeated in the Committee on Tuesday, June 26, 2001. It is the Opposition House Leader's argument that "the committee cannot simply pass the exact same motion which has already been defeated." I thank the Member for supplying me with his speaking notes and for the intervention of other Members on this point of order.

As the Member points out, the established practice of parliament is that "a question, being once made and carried in the affirmative or negative, cannot be questioned again, but must stand as a judgment of the House" (*Erskine May*, 22<sup>nd</sup> Edition, page 368). It is clear that if this decision had been made in the House, the proposition of a negatived question a second time would be out of order. The same would apply if the motion was initiated in the Committee of Finance. In this situation, however, there is an over-riding factor, which the Opposition House Leader alluded to.

I will first address the motion as an instruction to the Committee of Finance. As the Member for Moose Jaw North (Hon. Mr. Hagel) argued, indeed all Committees are creatures of the Assembly and subject to the Assembly's orders. The latest Order of Reference to the Committee of Finance, being the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, was made March 30, 2001. However, as outlined in *Beauchesne's*, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, paragraph 831(3), "when it has been thought desirable to do so, the House has enlarged the Order of Reference of a committee by means of an Instruction." The House Leaders motion is made in terms of an instruction, which is proper. I don't think this is at dispute here. The Opposition House Leader did say in his Point of Order, that "the government is perfectly within its rights to refer this matter back to committee." I will now address the propriety of the instruction itself.

When a Committee makes a report to the Assembly, it is the prerogative of the Assembly to recommit any matter in that report back to the Committee with an instruction. The subject of recommittal of a report with instruction is addressed in paragraphs 896 through 899 of *Beauchesne's*, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition. Moreover, in contrast to the Opposition House Leader's contention, it is not out of order for a Committee to be instructed to overturn a decision made in the Committee. I will cite a number of parliamentary authorities and precedents to illustrate this point.

It is not so unusual in parliaments where legislation is commonly considered in Standing Committee to have the House instruct a Committee to overturn a decision. *Erskine May*, 22<sup>nd</sup> Edition, page 517 states, "On recommittal of a bill to the former standing committee, a permissive instruction has been given to the committee allowing it to insert in the bill provisions with a like effect to a clause to which it had previously disagreed." A similar citation can be found on pages 706 and 707. With respect to supply resolutions, *Erskine May*, 16<sup>th</sup> Edition, page 741, states as follows: "when the amount of a supply grant has been reduced in committee, and an alteration of that sum is sought, either by a complete or partial restoration of the original sum, the resolution is recommitted..." In the case before the Committee of Finance, the Assembly is ordering provisions previously disagreed to be reconsidered, and that the Vote be restored to its original sum. The motion is consistent with practice as outlined in various editions of *Erskine May*.

In Canada, there are precedents directly relevant to the situation here in Saskatchewan as it concerns budgetary supply. The Opposition House Leader cited a 1986 case from British Columbia. He is correct; the British Columbia Committee of Supply amended a Vote so that it was reduced to \$1. Subsequently, an Order of the Assembly declared that the proceedings on the Vote to have no force and the matter referred back to the Committee of Supply to be reconsidered. The motion read as follows: "That this House does not concur in the report of the Committee of Supply with respect to Vote 70 and the proceedings therein are declared of no force and effect and Orders the said Vote be referred back to the Committee of Supply to be considered." Consequently the question was again put on Vote 70 – it being the same question that had been previously amended – but this time it passed without amendment and in its full amount. I refer Members to page 97, of the British Columbia *Votes and Proceedings* for June 17, 1986.

Similarly, on June 29, 1994, a defeated supply Vote was reinstated to its original amount by order of the Manitoba Legislative Assembly. In this case, reconsideration of the question was not permitted by the Committee of Supply and its Vote simply overturned.

In another precedent, On May 11, 1989, the Quebec National Assembly ordered reinstatement of Estimates of the Inspector General of Financial Institutions, which had been negatived in Committee. The National Assembly then took action to forestall any future consequences of the reduction or the defeat of Estimates in Committee by creating a Standing Order to permit a Minister to amend any Committee Report that reduced or negatived a budgetary Estimate. The House of Commons in Ottawa has also adopted a Standing Order that more easily enables any Estimate to be restored or reinstated.

The examples from the parliamentary authorities, and from other Legislative Assemblies, demonstrate that the situation the Committee of Finance finds itself in is not unique, and the measure taken by the government not unprecedented. I find that the House does has final authority over decisions made in its Committees, even if it means the Committee re-voting the same question. The same question rule does not apply as an over-riding factor in the case of a House giving one of its Committees an instruction, as is illustrated in practice and precedent of other parliaments. I find the point of order not well taken, and the Committee must re-vote the question on Vote 45, Department of Economic Development and Cooperative Development, as ordered by the House.

Pursuant to an Order of the Assembly made this day, the Committee considered the Supply Resolution for the Department of Economic and Co-operative Development.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$67,896,000 for Economic and Co-operative Development (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$9,160,000 for Economic and Co-operative Development (Lending and Investing Activities).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$14,444,000 for Economic and Co-operative Development (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Finance.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$116,500,000 for Finance (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$1,250,000 for Finance (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$1,101,000 for the Saskatchewan Municipal Board (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Education.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$538,439,000 for Education (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$21,440,000 for Education (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$8,810,000 for the Saskatchewan Water Corporation (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$511,486,000 for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$62,800,000 for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training (Lending and Investing Activities).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$36,325,000 for Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 10:49 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2001 (69<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Wall, Bakken, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Hart, and Allchurch.

### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to continue to fund the province's road network.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 146)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

## REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RULES AND PROCEDURES

The Speaker, as Chair, laid before the Assembly, the Second Report of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures dated July 4, 2001.

(Sessional Paper No. 197)

Moved by Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont:

That the Second Report of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures be now concurred in.

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

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 209 – The Fire-fighter Protection from Liability Act

(Mr. Wall)

Bill No. 211 – The Health Care Commissioner Act

(Mr. Gantefoer)

Bill No. 214 – The Direct Sellers Amendment Act, 2001

(Mr. Wall)

Bill No. 225 – The Crown Corporations Amendment Act, 2001 (Foreign Investments)

(Ms. Harpauer)

Bill No. 226 – The Trade Union Amendment Act, 2001 (Freedom of Speech in the Workplace)

(Mr. Weekes)

Bill No. 227 – The Four-year Taxation Plan Act

(Mr. Hermanson)

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

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

During consideration of Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act – it was moved by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé:

Amend Clause 8 of the printed Bill by striking out "may" and substituting "shall".

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being put on Clause 8, as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé:

Amend Clause 9(1) of the printed Bill by adding ", within 60 days," after "shall".

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being put on Clause 9, as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by Ms. Julé:

Clause 18 of the printed Bill is struck out and the following substituted:

"18 This Act comes into force on January 1, 2002".

The question being put, it was negatived on Division.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé:

Amend Clause 18 of the printed Bill by striking out "assent" and substituting "proclamation".

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being put on Clause 18, as amended, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé:

That the Committee report Bill No. 42 with amendment.

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

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Calvert	Addley	Hagel	Lautermilch
Atkinson	Serby	Melenchuk	Cline
Sonntag	Goulet	Van Mulligen	MacKinnon
Wartman	Thomson	Prebble	Belanger
Crofford	Axworthy	Nilson	Hamilton
Junor	Jones	Kasperski	Osika
Lorjé	Yates	McCall	Draude
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Hermanson	Heppner	Julé	Boyd
Gantefoer	Toth	Stewart	Eagles
Wall	Bakken	D'Autremont	Weekes
Bjornerud	Brkich	Harpauer	Wakefield
Wiberg	Hart	Allchurch	Huyghebaert

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. 42 – The Métis Act

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

Bill No. 58 – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 2001

The Committee was given leave to sit again.

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Social Services.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$588,492,000 for Social Services (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$2,000,000 for Social Services (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$46,422,000 for Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$1,000 for Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Culture, Youth and Recreation.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$29,709,000 for Culture, Youth and Recreation (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$6,267,000 for Culture, Youth and Recreation (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Energy and Mines.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$30,301,000 for Energy and Mines (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2001, the sum of \$1,895,000 for Energy and Mines (Ordinary).

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Unanimous consent having been granted, the Assembly proceeded to Motions for Returns (Debatable).

### MOTIONS FOR RETURNS (DEBATABLE)

#### Return No. 1

Moved by Mr. Wakefield, seconded by Mr. Wiberg: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 1 showing:

To the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs: The government's expenditure for Team Canada's trip to China in 2001.

The question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return No. 1 was brought down and tabled by Mr. Yates as Sessional Paper No. 198.

### Return No. 2

Moved by Mr. Wakefield, seconded by Mr. Wiberg: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 2 showing:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: (1) The cost incurred to send the former Premier to Vancouver on Executive Air as part of the Team Canada Trade Mission in 2001. (2) The names of those who accompanied the former Premier on this trip and the cost.

The question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return No. 2 was brought down and tabled by Mr. Yates as Sessional Paper No. 199.

#### Return No. 57

Moved by Mr. Wall, seconded by Ms. Bakken: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 57 showing:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) The amount that was spent on salaries by ISC during the year 2000. (2) The amount of this salary expense that was related to ISC's Land and Geomatics services and the amount of this salary expense that was related to other activities of ISC.

The question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return No. 57 was brought down and tabled by Mr. Yates as Sessional Paper No. 200.

### Return No. 58

Moved by Mr. Bjornerud, seconded by Mr. Weekes: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 58 showing:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing: (1) The total amount of grants-in-lieu paid, or to be paid by the province to the City of Regina for all provincial government-owned property in that City. (2) The amount paid, or to be paid, in grants-in-lieu to the school systems in Regina for provincial government-owned property with the City for the current fiscal year. (3) Whether the provincial government received a tax notice or grant-in-lieu notice from the City of Regina or the school divisions in the City for the current fiscal year and, if so, in what amount for each. (4) If the provincial government was subject to property taxation, the amount it would owe individually to the City of Regina and the school divisions in Regina for the current fiscal year.

The question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return No. 58 was brought down and tabled by Mr. Yates as Sessional Paper No. 201.

### Return No. 65

Moved by Mr. Wiberg, seconded by Mr. Wakefield: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 65 showing:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) The non-profit and community-based organizations that received funding from the Office of Northern Affairs in the 2000-2001 fiscal year. (2) The amount that each of these organizations received.

The question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return No. 65 was brought down and tabled by Mr. Yates as Sessional Paper No. 202.

#### Return No. 67

Moved by Ms. Bakken, seconded by Mr. Wall: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 67 showing:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Since, and including, 1996, the number of SaskPower employees that have been dismissed without cause. (2) The amount of total severance that has been paid to these dismissed employees. (3) The number of severance agreements that were accompanied by a gag order.

The question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return No. 67 was brought down and tabled by Mr. Yates as Sessional Paper No. 203.

### Return No. 68

Moved by Mr. Allchurch, seconded by Mr. Hermanson: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 68 showing:

To the Minister of Economic and Co-operative Development: The number of forestry jobs that have been created in Northern Saskatchewan since April 1, 2000 and what the actual figures are for the number of forestry jobs in Northern Saskatchewan on that date and the actual number currently.

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

Amend Return No. 68 by deleting all words after "To the Minister of Economic Development:" and substitute with the following:

Based on the four major forestry projects and many smaller projects in the forestry and forestry related sectors, the amount of new investment that has taken place and the number of new jobs created since April 2000.

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 and an Order of the Assembly issued.

Return No. 68 was brought down and tabled by Mr. Yates as Sessional Paper No. 204.

### Return No. 70

Moved by Mr. Heppner, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 70 showing:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: Provide the exact terms of reference of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner's investigation of the former Minister of Liquor and Gaming.

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

#### Return No. 71

Moved by Mr. Weekes, seconded by Mr. Bjornerud: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return No. 71 showing:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) Whether the Workers' Compensation Board pays to fly P.C. Consul, Vice-president of Human Resources, Technology and Corporate Support, back and forth from Calgary every weekend. (2) If so, the amount that this has cost so far and when it began.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 7:06 p.m. until Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

# THURSDAY, JULY 5, 2001 (70<sup>TH</sup> DAY)

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: Draude, Stewart, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, Brkich, Allchurch, and Hart.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

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 not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to consider Swift Current's request for a new hospital.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 4)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to abandon plans to reduce health care services in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 134)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure current levels of services and care are maintained at the Wadena Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 136)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure that services are maintained at their current levels at the Weyburn General Hospital, Bengough Health Centre, Radville Marian Health Centre, and Pangman Health Centre.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 164)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill No. 224 – The Government Accountability Act

(Mr. Krawetz)

#### COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for Executive Council.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:59 p.m. until Friday at 10:00 a.m.

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## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the following Professional Associations: Saskatchewan Association of School Business Officials Real Estate Commission

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 12)

# FRIDAY, JULY 6, 2001 (71<sup>ST</sup> DAY)

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: Krawetz, Stewart, Bakken, McMorris, D'Autremont, Weekes, Bjornerud, and Brkich.

#### READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Clerk informed the Assembly that on July 5, 2001, a certain petition regarding repair to Highway 22 between Cupar and Dysart was presented. Pursuant to Rule 12(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 cause the Government to not implement the consolidation and centralization of ambulance services.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide a more substantial energy rate rebate to Saskatchewan consumers.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 58)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Redvers Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 121)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to repair Highway 339 in order to facilitate economic development initiatives.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 149)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide reliable cellular service in the Shellbrook-Spiritwood constituency.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 151)

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Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to provide subsidies to non-profit personal care homes.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 171)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to take steps to ensure the Kelvington Health Centre be maintained at its current level of service.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 185)

### **COMMITTEE OF FINANCE**

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance to consider Estimates for the Department of Agriculture and Food.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$337,103,000 for Agriculture and Food (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$5,400,000 for Agriculture and Food (Lending and Investing Activities).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$10,000,000 for Agriculture and Food (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Environment and Resource Management.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$130,022,000 for Environment and Resource Management (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$8,505,000 for Environment and Resource Management (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$40,000,000 for Environment and Resource Management – Forest Fire Contingency Fund (Ordinary).

The Committee then considered Estimates for the Department of Health.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$2,207,228,000 for Health (Ordinary).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ended March 31, 2001, the sum of \$70,653,000 for Health (Ordinary).

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The Committee then considered Estimates for Executive Council.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002, the sum of \$7,017,000 for Executive Council (Ordinary).

Summary of Resolutions adopted:

## **GENERAL REVENUE FUND**

# **SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2000-2001**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2001 the following sums:

## **BUDGETARY EXPENSES**

1. For Agriculture and Food	\$ 10,000,000
2. For Culture, Youth and Recreation	6,267,000
3. For Economic and Co-operative Development	14,444,000
4. For Education	21,440,000
5. For Energy and Mines	1,895,000
6. For Environment and Resource Management	8,505,000
7. For Finance	1,250,000
8. For Health	70,653,000
9. For Highways and Transportation	24,950,000
10. For Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs	1,000
11. For Justice	11,800,000
12. For Municipal Affairs and Housing	2,980,000
13. For Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training	36,325,000
14. For Saskatchewan Research Council	495,000
15. For Social Services	2,000,000

## **GENERAL REVENUE FUND**

# **MAIN ESTIMATES 2001-2002**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2002 the following sums:

# **BUDGETARY EXPENSES**

1. For Agriculture and Food	\$ 337,103,000
2. For Centenary Fund	30,000,000
3. For Culture, Youth and Recreation	29,709,000
4. For Economic and Co-operative Development	67,896,000
5. For Education	538,439,000
6. For Energy and Mines	30,301,000
7. For Environment and Resource Management	130,022,000
8. For Environment and Resource Management – Forest Fire Contingency Fund	40,000,000
9. For Executive Council	7,017,000
10. For Finance	116,500,000
11. For Health	2,207,228,000
12. For Highways and Transportation	309,492,000
13. For Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs	46,422,000
14. For Justice	228,277,000
15. For Labour	13,408,000
16. For Municipal Affairs and Housing	165,129,000
17. For Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training	511,486,000
18. For Public Service Commission	8,965,000
19. For Rural Revitalization Office	800,000
20. For Saskatchewan Municipal Board	1,101,000

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	21. For Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation	21,719,000			
	22. For Saskatchewan Research Council	8,390,000			
	23. For Saskatchewan Water Corporation	8,810,000			
	24. For Social Services	588,492,000			
	25. For Women's Secretariat	1,183,000			
LENDING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
	26. For Agriculture and Food	5,400,000			
	27. For Economic and Co-operative Development	9,160,000			
	28. For Highways and Transportation	500,000			
	29. For Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training	62,800,000			

### On motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2001, the sum of two hundred thirteen million, five thousand dollars be granted out of the general revenue fund.

### On motion of the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002, the sum of four billion, one hundred thirty-six million, eight hundred and fifteen 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.

### THE APPROPRIATION ACT, 2001 (No. 3)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cline, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 59 – The Appropriation Act, 2000 (No. 3) – 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, on Division.

By leave of the Assembly and pursuant to Rule 55, the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed under its title, on Division.

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#### ROYAL ASSENT

1:00 p.m.

His Honour the Administrator, 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:

Bill No. 56 – The Tobacco Control Act

Bill No. 47 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 48 – The Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) Projet de loi n° 48 – Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (n° 2)

Bill No. 58 – The Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 2001

Bill No. 42 – The Métis Act

His Honour the Administrator 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:

Bill No. 59 – The Appropriation Act, 2001 (No. 3)

His Honour the Adminstrator 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.

1:02 p.m.

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#### MOTION TO ADJOURN THE SESSION

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch, seconded by Mr. D'Autremont, by leave of the Assembly:

That when this Assembly adjourns at the end of this sitting day, it shall stand adjourned to the 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.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 1:38 p.m. to the call of the Chair, pursuant to an Order made this day.

### RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cline:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Public Service Superannuation Board for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 205)

By the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

Financial Statements of the Staff Pension Plan for Employees of the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 206)

Annual Report for the Public and Private Rights Board for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 207)

Annual Report of the Public Disclosure Committee for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 208)

Report under The Penalties and Forfeitures Act dated May 25, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 209)

Report under The Family Farm Credit Act dated May 16, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 210)

Report under The Crown Administration of Estates Act dated May 16, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 211)

# THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2002 (72<sup>ND</sup> 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 David Forbes, Esquire as Member for the Constituency of Saskatoon Idylwyld (Sessional Paper No. 345)

David Forbes, Member for the Constituency of Saskatoon Idylwyld, having previously taken the Oath, accordingly to law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the Assembly.

#### PROROGATION SPEECH

10:04 a.m.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took her seat upon the Throne. Her Honour was then pleased to deliver the following speech:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is my duty to release you from further attendance at the Second Session of the Twenty-Fourth Legislature.

In thus relieving you, I would like to thank you for the work you have done.

This Session's work is a positive step towards connecting to the future and in partnering with the people of Saskatchewan in creating a prosperity that provides opportunities for all.

You recognized the importance of health care to the people of Saskatchewan by establishing a Standing Committee on Health Care.

You instructed this Committee to receive and report on the representations from interested parties and individuals with respect to the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare dated April 11, 2001.

Further, you passed a motion which invited Mr. Ken Fyke, Commissioner of the Commission on Medicare, to appear before the Committee of the Whole, allowing the Members of this Assembly to question Mr. Fyke with respect to the final report of the Commission on Medicare.

You maintained your commitment to provide quality health care to the people of Saskatchewan by passing several Bills, which will strengthen our health system.

The Registered Nurses Amendment Act recognizes the role of advanced practice nurses and ensures that they have the legal authority to perform advanced services.

These changes will benefit the province by ensuring that nurses with the appropriate skills can provide primary health care services as part of an interdisciplinary team.

You also passed The Dietitians Act and The Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act.

These Bills allow the public to have confidence in the services provided by these valuable health care providers, and are in keeping with your strong commitment to quality, accessible, and responsible health services for our seniors and for all the people of Saskatchewan.

You passed several Bills to assist in your work to help families and children, to support young people, and to keep our communities safe.

You passed *The Tobacco Control Act*, which reflects your determination to reduce youth smoking while at the same time offering a practical, workable plan for our province.

You also passed *The Highway Traffic Amendment Act*, which allows for the impoundment and forfeiture of motor vehicles used in the commission of prostitution-related offences.

These amendments came from the hard work of this Assembly's *Special Committee to Prevent the Abuse and Exploitation of Children Through the Sex Trade*, and will reduce some of the major problems that result from this activity and will contribute to safer neighbourhoods for everyone, and a safer environment for children in Saskatchewan.

In keeping with your commitment to build and maintain safe communities, you passed *The Police Amendment Act*, which ensures continued professionalism in the delivery of policing services in our province.

You continued to support families by passing The Labour Standards Amendment Act.

This Bill increases parental leaves and provides job protection for parents.

It provides benefits to parents, to children, and to families.

As part of a broader truck route management strategy, you passed *The Highways and Transportation Amendment Act*, which allows for a system of truck route management and seeks partnerships with rural municipalities to re-route heavy trucks off of thin-membraned highways onto gravel roads that can better accommodate that type of traffic.

To continue the process of tax reform in our province, you passed *The Income Tax Amendment Act*, which implements the income tax initiatives that were announced in the Budget.

Some of the initiatives contained in this Bill are increases to the amounts used to determine the education and disability-related personal tax credits, provisions to index the personal income tax system to inflation, a reduction in the corporate income tax rate on small businesses, and an increase in the amount of income to which the small business tax rate can be applied.

To support your dedication to providing a responsible and effective administration, you passed *The Provincial Auditor Amendment Act*.

This Bill maintains the government's accountability to the Legislative Assembly and improves the Provincial Auditor's independence.

You passed *The Partnership Amendment Act* and *The Professional Corporations Act* to continue your commitment to improving the competitiveness of Saskatchewan small business and improving the vitality of rural Saskatchewan and smaller centres.

The Partnership Amendment Act provides for limited liability partnerships, a benefit that exists for professional partners in Alberta and Ontario.

The Professional Corporations Act will allow professionals who choose to incorporate to run their businesses in a way that is similar to other small businesses and professionals in other provinces.

To recognize the contributions Métis people have made to the development and prosperity of Canada and Saskatchewan, you passed *The Métis Act*.

This Bill also recognizes the existing bilateral process to address issues that are important to the Métis people including non-rights based initiatives related to capacity building, land, harvesting and governance, and establishes the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., as a body corporate, and outlines its powers and objectives.

To support your commitment to responsible protection of the environment, you passed *The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act*.

This legislation provides the framework for a comprehensive program that will ensure Saskatchewan's oil and gas wells, facilities and related sites are properly abandoned and reclaimed once they are no longer needed.

To allow the Government to add to the rich history of emblems and honours that help to define the essence of our great and wonderful province, you passed *The Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act*.

This Bill also allows the province to honour distinguished non-residents of Saskatchewan through honorary membership in the Order of Merit.

In this regard, in late April, you welcomed the visit of His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, to the Province of Saskatchewan.

I was honoured to award Prince Charles the first honorary membership of our Provincial Order.

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 blessings of Providence.

The Hon. Ms. Junor, Provincial Secretary, then said:

It is the will and pleasure of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued until later today, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2002, at 2:30 p.m., and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

10:14 a.m.

Hon. P. Myron Kowalsky
Speaker

## RETURNS, REPORTS AND PAPERS TABLED

The following papers were tabled with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during the adjournment period July 7, 2001 to March 14, 2002:

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Arts Board for the year ended March 31, 2001, including List of Disbursements

(Sessional Paper No. 212)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Judges of the Provincial Court Superannuation Plan for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 213)

Annual Report of the Department of Justice, Superintendent of Insurance, for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 214)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the University of Regina Crown Foundation for the year ended April 30, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 215)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Wetland Conservation Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 216)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Teachers' Superannuation Commission under: *The Teachers' Superannuation and Disability Benefits Act* for the year ended June 30, 2000; *The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act* for the period ended August 31, 2000; and *The Teachers' Dental Plan Act* for the period ended December 31, 2000; and Financial Statements of the Teachers' Superannuation Plan for the year ended June 30, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 217)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Public Employees Pension Plan for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 218)

Share Purchase Agreement dated March 9, 2001, among Paul Sluyter, Liette Dumas-Sluyter, 3767884 Canada Limited, and DirectWest Publishing Partnership

(Sessional Paper No. 219)

Subscription and Investment Agreement dated April 20, 2001, among SaskTel Investments Inc., Dion McArthur, John Erickson and Dan Erickson, On-Line Regina Inc., Progressive Communications Incorporated, and Business Watch International Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 220)

Subscription and Investment Agreement among SaskTel Investments, Inc., TappedInto.com, Inc., Gen V, LLC, and T.I. Ventures, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 221)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary in Saskatchewan called Jan Lake Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 222)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary in Saskatchewan called Katepwa Lake Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 223)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Finance for the year ending March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 224)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Plan for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 225)

Annual Report under *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 226)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Western Development Museum for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 227)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 228)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Student Aid Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 229)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Agricultural Credit Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Payment Information

(Sessional Paper No. 230)

Financial Statements of the Training Completions Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 231)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Research Council for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 232)

Annual Report of the Farm Land Security Board for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 233)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 234)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Northern Enterprise Fund Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 235)

Financial Statements of the Department of Environment and Resource Management, Resource Protection and Development Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 236)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Police Commission for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 237)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Centre of the Arts for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 238)

Financial Statements of the Department of Environment and Resource Management, Fish and Wildlife Development Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 239)

Financial Statements of the Department of Environment and Resource Management, Commercial Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 240)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 241)

Financial Statements of the Department of Environment and Resource Management, Big Game Damage Compensation Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 242)

Consolidated Financial Statements of the University of Saskatchewan for the year ended April 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 243)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Communications Network Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 244)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Women's Secretariat for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 245)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Archives Board for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 246)

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Financial Information

(Sessional Paper No. 247)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Public Employees Benefits Agency Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 248)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Sask911 for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 249)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Culture, Youth and Recreation, and Municipal Affairs and Housing for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 250)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Irrigation Crop Diversification Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 251)

Financial Statements of the University of Saskatchewan Crown Foundation for the year ended April 30, 2001, including Report of Activity

(Sessional Paper No. 252)

Financial Statements of the Social Services Central Trust Account for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 253)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 254)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 255)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Police Complaints Investigator for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 256)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Health Information Network (SHIN) for the year ended March 31, 2001, including payee list

(Sessional Paper No. 257)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Justice for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 258)

Financial Statements of the Department of Justice, Victims' Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 259)

Financial Statements of the Provincial Mediation Board Trust Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 260)

Financial Statements of the Department of Justice, Correctional Facilities Industries Revolving Fund, for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 261)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Law Reform Commission of Saskatchewan for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 262)

Financial Statements of the Office of the Rentalsman, Rentalsman's Trust Account, for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 263)

Provincial Auditor's 2001 Fall Report (Volume 1), in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act* 

(Sessional Paper No. 264)

Annual Report for Saskatchewan Northern Affairs for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 265)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Oil and Gas Environmental Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 266)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Energy and Mines for the year ended March 31, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 267)

Financial Statements of the School Division Tax Loss Compensation Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 268)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Water Appeal Board for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Honoraria paid to Board Members

(Sessional Paper No. 269)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 270)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Associated Entities Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 271)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 272)

Financial Statements of the Transportation Partnerships Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 273)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Labour Relations Board for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 274)

Consolidated Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority Inc. for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 275)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Financial Information

(Sessional Paper No. 276)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 277)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Social Services for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 278)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 279)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Beef Development Board for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 280)

Financial Statements of the Agricultural Implements Board for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 281)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the University of Saskatchewan for the year ended April 30, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 282)

*Public Accounts* of the Province of Saskatchewan for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Volumes 1 and 2) including General Revenue Fund, Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 283)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Labour for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 284)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Public Service Commission for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 285)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 286)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 287)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Economic and Co-operative Development for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 288)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Health for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 289)

Financial Statements of the Horned Cattle Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 290)

Financial Statements of the Cattle Marketing Deductions Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 291)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 292)

Annual Statistical Report of Saskatchewan Health, Medical Services Branch, including the Medical Services Plan and Medical Education for the fiscal year 2000-2001

(Sessional Paper No. 293)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the St. Louis Alcoholism Rehabilitation Centre for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 294)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2001, including Supplementary Information

(Sessional Paper No. 295)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Health Services Utilization and Research Commission for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 296)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology for the year ended June 30, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 297)

Detail of Expenditures under *The Election Act, 1996* for the fiscal year 2000-2001

(Sessional Paper No. 298)

Financial Statements of the Department of Justice, Queen's Printer Revolving Fund, for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 299)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Teachers' Superannuation Commission under: *The Teachers' Superannuation and Disability Benefits Act* for the year ended June 30, 2001; *The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act* for the period ended August 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 300)

Financial Statements of the Cumberland Regional College for the year ended June 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 301)

Financial Statements of the Prairie West Regional College for the year ended June 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 302)

Financial Statements of the Cypress Hills Regional College for the year ended June 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 303)

Financial Statements of the Southeast Regional College for the year ended June 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 304)

Financial Statements of the Carlton Trail Regional College for the year ended June 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 305)

Financial Statements of the Parkland Regional College for the year ended June 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 306)

Financial Statements of the North West Regional College for the year ended June 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 307)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Commission for the year ended June 30, 2001, including Supplementary Financial Information (Sessional Paper No. 308)

Financial Statements of the Northlands College for the year ended June 30, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 309)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Education for the year ended June 30, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 310)

Financial Statements of the Highways Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 311)

Provincial Auditor Business and Financial Plan, pursuant to section 10.5 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, for the year ended March 31, 2003

(Sessional Paper No. 312)

Financial Statements of the Livestock Services Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 313)

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to section 286 of *The Election Act*, 1996 for the constituency of Saskatoon Riversdale held on March 19, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 314)

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to section 286 of *The Election Act*, 1996 for the constituency of Wood River held on June 26, 2000

(Sessional Paper No. 315)

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to section 286 of *The Election Act*, 1996 for the constituency of Regina Elphinstone held on February 26, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 316)

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Correspondence School for the year ended March 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 317)

Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Learning Resources Distribution Centre Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 318)

Financial Statements of the Pastures Revolving Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 319)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary in Saskatchewan called CIC Foods Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 320)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary in Saskatchewan called 101026817 Saskatchewan Ltd.

(Sessional Paper No. 321)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary in Saskatchewan called 101012876 Saskatchewan Ltd. and 101012875 Saskatchewan Ltd.

(Sessional Paper No. 322)

Provincial Auditor's 2001 Fall Report (Volume 2), in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of *The Provincial Auditor Act* 

(Sessional Paper No. 323)

Financial Statements of the First Nations Trust Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 324)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Grain Car Corporation for the year ended July 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 325)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan, through its wholly owned subsidiary CIC Industrial Interests Inc., has caused to be incorporated a subsidiary called: CIC OSB Products Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 326)

Financial Statements of the Agri-Food Equity Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 327)

Report of the Farm Support Review Committee on Safety Net Consultations dated December 31, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 328)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of Tourism Saskatchewan for the year ended September 30, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 329)

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 330)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Agri-Food Innovation Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 331)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Agricultural Stabilization Fund for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 332)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the University of Regina for the year ended April 30, 2001 (Sessional Paper No. 333)

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Saskatchewan Irrigation Projects Association for the year ended March 31, 2001

(Sessional Paper No. 334)

Share Purchase Agreement dated June 14, 2001, among RSL COM North America, Inc. and RSL COM Canada Inc. and Avonlea Holding, Inc. and SaskTel Investments Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 335)

Amendment to Share Purchase Agreement dated July 31, 2001 among RSL COM North America, Inc. and RSL COM Canada Inc. and Avonlea Holding, Inc. and SaskTel Investments Inc. and Langenburg Holding, Inc.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 335)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: Outlook Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 336)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: Pleasantdale Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 337)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act*, 1993 and *The Tabling of Documents Act*, 1991, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: Rosetown Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 338)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: Shellbrook Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 339)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: Langenburg Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 340)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: Melfort Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 341)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: Nokomis Holding, Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 342)

Notice pursuant to section 30(3) of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993* and *The Tabling of Documents Act, 1991*, respecting the incorporation of a new subsidiary of Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation called: STI Communications Pty Limited

(Sessional Paper No. 343)

Subscription Agreement dated December 22, 2000 between SaskTel and Canadian Portable Contribution Consortium Inc.

(Sessional Paper No. 344)

# COMMITTEE REPORTS FILED AND DISTRIBUTED

The following report was filed with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during the adjournment period July 7, 2001 to March 13, 2002, pursuant to an Order of the Assembly dated May 28, 2001, to be Tabled and considered in the next session:

Report respecting the Final Report of the Commission on Medicare dated August 30, 2001

## APPENDIX A

# **QUESTIONS and ANSWERS**

# MARCH 29, 2001

### Mr. Weekes asked the Government Question No. 1, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Trew:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) What were the official and specific reasons for the termination of Lynn Kuffner, Ken Dusselier, Colette Wilks and Stan Abrahamowicz from their positions with the Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board? (2) How much severance did each receive or agree to upon their termination?

### Answer:

The Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board is an independent body that operates at armslength from Government. Therefore, these questions should be asked directly to the Workers' Compensation Board.

# MARCH 30, 2001

## Ms. Harpauer asked the Government Question No. 2, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) How many times has the Farm Support Review Committee met in the current fiscal year? (2) How much has been expended for committee costs and per diems in the current fiscal year?

### Answer:

- (1) Three times
- (2) Further information on costs will be available following the end of the fiscal year

## Ms. Harpauer asked the Government Question No. 3, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) How many times did the Farm Support Review Committee meet in the fiscal year 1999-2000? (2) How much was expended for per diems and other committee costs during the 1999-2000 fiscal year?

#### Answer:

- (1) Once
- (2) \$13,202.08

# Ms. Harpauer asked the Government Question No. 4, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) How many times did the Farm Support Review Committee met in fiscal year 1998-1999? (2) How much was expended for per diems and other committee costs during the 1998-1999 fiscal year?

#### Answer:

- (1) Twice
- (2) \$19,440.69

## **APRIL 2, 2001**

# Mr. Wiberg asked the Government Question No. 5, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) For the year 2000, what was the total amount of fish taken from Saskatchewan lakes for reasons of personal or commercial fishing? (2) For the year 2000, what was the total amount of restocking of fish that took place in Saskatchewan lakes?

## Answer:

- (1) Fish harvest for the 2000 season is not completed to date. Recreational anglers will likely harvest 4,468,000 fish weighing an estimated 3,396,000 kilograms. Commercial fishers will likely harvest 3,700,000 kilograms. With approximately 950 subsistence fishers, their total harvest is estimated to be 1,800,000 kilograms. The total amount of fish harvested for 2000 is estimated to be 8,896,000 kilograms.
- (2) The total number of fish stocked during 2000 was 43,505,725, comprised mainly of walleye (42,395,945) and other species including pike, perch, sturgeon and four other trout species.

# Mr. Wiberg asked the Government Question No. 6, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) For the year 1999, what was the total amount of fish taken from Saskatchewan lakes for reasons of personal or commercial fishing? (2) For the year 1999, what was the total amount of restocking of fish that took place in Saskatchewan lakes?

## Answer:

- (1) In 1999, recreational anglers harvested an estimated 4,760,000 fish weighing an estimated 3,620,000 kilograms. Commercial fishers harvested 3,867,000 kilograms. Approximately 950 subsistence fishers harvested an estimated 1,800,000 kilograms. The estimated total amount of fish harvested for 1999 was 9,287,000 kilograms.
- (2) The total number of fish stocked during 1999 was 40,000,026, comprised mainly of walleye (38,765,067) and other species including pike, perch, sturgeon, lake trout and five other trout species.

# **APRIL 4, 2001**

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 9, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of SaskEnergy: (1) In the past fiscal year, has SaskEnergy President Ron Clark and/or any other SaskEnergy officials attended any conferences in the Middle East on behalf of SaskEnergy? (2) If so, which conferences did they attend and what was the total cost to SaskEnergy including airfare, accommodations, meals, conference registration fees and any other costs related to attending the conferences?

### Answer:

- (1) No
- (2) Not applicable

### Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 10, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: How much money did SaskPower give to Ducks Unlimited in the 2000 fiscal year?

### Answer:

\$177,810.00

In 1997, SaskPower became the first Diamond Legacy Sponsor with Ducks Unlimited. An environmental commitment to support wetlands and habitat restoration, aid for the establishment of a \$1 million trust for a 30-year period. That agreement was later revised to an annual payment of \$115,000 for the remainder of the agreement.

The Pasquia Project is a five-year Ducks Unlimited study to gather baseline data in the Boreal Forest in the Hudson Bay area of Saskatchewan. SaskPower needs baseline data on the Cumberland delta, and the most cost-effective way to get this data is to partner on this study. The study includes: Land Cover Mapping, Water Bird Surveys, Water Quality Surveys and Traditional Ecological Knowledge Studies. The Saskatchewan and Manitoba Governments are also partners in this study. Payment for the year 2000 was \$60,000.

\$2,810 was for event sponsorship for activities held across the province.

# **APRIL 6, 2001**

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 11, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 3 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 15)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 12, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Finance: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 4 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 16)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 13, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister of Social Services: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 5 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 17)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 14, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 6 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 18)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 15, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: What are the details of all programs and services now provided by your department but previously provided by other departments that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 7 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 19)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 16, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister of Economic and Cooperative Development: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

## Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 8 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 20)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 17, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk:

To the Minister of Education: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 9 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 21)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 18, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Energy and Mines: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 10 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 22)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 19, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Environment and Resource Management: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 11 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 23)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 20, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

To the Minister of Executive Council: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 12 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 24)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 21, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Heath: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 13 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 25)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 22, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget? *Answer:* 

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 14 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 26)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 23, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 15 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 27)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 24, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Justice: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 16 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 25, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 17 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 29)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 26, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

## Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 18 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 30)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 27, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

To the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 19 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 31)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 28, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Trew:

To the Minister of Labour: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 20 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 32)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 29, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: What are the details of all programs and services in your department that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 21 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 33)

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 30, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What are the details of all programs and services in your department, or any subsidiary Crown Corporations, that were eliminated or reduced as the result of the 2001-2002 provincial budget?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 22 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 34)

## Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 31, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing: What are the names of all the organizations that received funding from the Associated Entities Fund in the 2000-2001 fiscal year and which of these organizations failed to raise the required 75% of their funding that entitles them to receive a grant under the Cultural Facilities Grant Program?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 23 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 35)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 32, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: (1) Of the rates, fees for service and other charges now levied by your department that were previously levied by other departments, what are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for 2001-2002? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 24 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 36)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 33, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 25 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 37)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 34, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 26 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 38)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 35, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 27 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 39)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 36, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister of Economic and Cooperative Development: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 28 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 40)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 37, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk:

To the Minister of Education: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 29 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 41)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 38, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Energy and Mines: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 30 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 42)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 39, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Environment and Resource Management: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 31 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 43)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 40, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Calvert:

To the Minister of Executive Council: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 32 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 44)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 41, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 33 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 45)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 42, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 34 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 46)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 43, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 35 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 47)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 44, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 36 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 48)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 45, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Trew:

To the Minister of Labour: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 37 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 49)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 46, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 38 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 50)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 47, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 39 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 51)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 48, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

To the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 40 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 52)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 49, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 41 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 53)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 50, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister responsible for the Women's Secretariat: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 42 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 54)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 51, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of the Crown Investments Corporation: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by CIC or any of the subsidiary Crowns for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by CIC and/or the subsidiary Crown Corporations through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge CIC or the subsidiary Crowns levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 43 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 55)

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 52, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) What are the rate increases, service fee increases and all other increases in charges to public or business for services rendered implemented by your department for the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) What is the projected increase or decrease in projected revenue taken in by your department through these fees and charges in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (3) For each fee or charge your department levies against the public or business for the provision of a certain service, what is the projected amount to be taken in during the 2001-2002 fiscal year by your department and what is the projected cost to your department to provide these services?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 44 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 56)

## **APRIL 9, 2001**

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 53, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Government Insurance: How much money out of the Personal Injury Protection Plan did SGI pay directly to the health districts and Saskatchewan Health for rehabilitation services in 2000-2001 fiscal year?

#### Answer:

For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2000 the Saskatchewan Auto Fund paid \$7,566,537.00 to health districts and the Saskatchewan Department of Health.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 54, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: How many vehicles will SaskEnergy and SaskPower be purchasing in the 2001 fiscal year and how does this compare to the Crown's vehicle replacement programs of previous years?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 45 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 60)

# **APRIL 10, 2001**

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 55, which was answered by the Hon, Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of SaskWater: (1) Does the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation send shipments of potatoes to PEI? (2) Was a shipment recently returned due to freezing? (3) If so, when was this shipment sent, and when was the freezing discovered? (4) To whom was the shipment destined? (5) What was the value of this potato shipment upon leaving Saskatchewan? (6) How much will the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation lose on this transaction?

## Answer:

Since mid-2000, CIC has been responsible for the potato business known as Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation, which was formerly the Spudco unit of SaskWater. Therefore, the Minister responsible for CIC will respond.

- (1) Yes, the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation sends shipments of potatoes to PEI.
- (2-6) No, a shipment was not recently returned due to freezing.

Note that information relating to any transactions between SVPC and privately held companies is proprietary. As well: (a) all potatoes sold as certified seed potatoes must be inspected by the Canada Food Inspection Agency immediately prior to shipment, and either rejected, or certified and issued a Bulk Movement Certificate. All shipments from SVPC have received this certificate; and (b) all sales from SVPC are shipped freight on board (FOB). That means the buyers are responsible for the potatoes once they have left the SVPC storage facilities.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 56, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What are the details of all out-of-province investments made by CIC or any of its Crown subsidiaries?

#### Answer:

All investments by CIC and its subsidiaries require prior approval by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and are disclosed in the following ways:

- (a) through Orders in Council, which are public documents that identify the nature and amount of the investment, and are available for viewing at the office of the Clerk of Executive Council;
- (b) to the Legislature's Standing Committee on Crown Corporations (Crown Corporations Committee), which has members from all parties in the Legislative Assembly. CIC's significant transactions guidelines require all significant transactions to be reported to the committee within 90 days of the transaction; and
- (c) in annual reports, which contain audited financial statements and details about each investment. The annual reports are public documents that are tabled in the Legislature.

## Mr. Wiberg asked the Government Question No. 57, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

To the Minister responsible for Northern Affairs: How many times has the Northern Forest Strategy Committee met and what was the per diem paid to each individual committee member?

### Answer:

A Northern Forest Strategy Committee within Northern Affairs does not exist.

# Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 58, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister responsible for the Liquor and Gaming Authority: For each of the cities of Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw and Prince Albert and for each of the provincial electoral constituencies outside of these four cities: (1) How many video lottery terminals are in each? (2) How much revenue and net income did the government collect from video lottery terminals in each during the 2000-2001 fiscal year? (3) How much of this video lottery terminal revenue went back into each through grants to organizations during the 2000-2001 fiscal year? (4) How many people from each attended gambling addiction counselling?

## Answer:

As of March 25, 2001, there are 438 Video Lottery Terminals (VLTs) in Regina, 679 VLTs in Saskatoon, 138 VLTs in Moose Jaw and 115 VLTs in Prince Albert. There were 2,162 machines installed in the remainder of the province. The Liquor and Gaming Authority does not maintain VLT data by electoral constituency.

For the 52-week period ended March 25, 2001, the un-audited gross revenue (coin in less payouts to players) figures, rounded to the nearest thousand (000) are:

Regina	\$ 34,496,000
Saskatoon	\$ 60,195,000
Moose Jaw	\$ 10,618,000
Prince Albert	\$ 9,754,000
Remainder of Province	\$108,750,000
Total	\$223,813,000

The Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority does not maintain VLT data by electoral constituency and does not allocate expenses on a site or community basis. Therefore, the Authority is not able to provide net income figures by community or electoral constituency.

The Liquor and Gaming Authority does not provide grants from VLT revenue. The Liquor and Gaming Authority is responsible for collection of VLT program revenues and payment of VLT Program operating costs, the net of which forms part of the Authority's retained earnings. The Liquor and Gaming Authority's retained earnings are forwarded to the General Revenue Fund. As a result, any net income generated by VLTs would be distributed through the provincial budgetary process.

The Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority does not compile information relating to people attending gambling addiction counselling.

## **APRIL 11, 2001**

## Mr. Hart asked the Government Question No. 59, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: What was the total administrative costs incurred by the government for the 2000-2001 fiscal year for the Saskatchewan Farmland Property Tax Rebate program?

### Answer:

The costs to administer the Saskatchewan Farm Land Property Tax Rebate program from April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001 were \$404,991.

### Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 60, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: How many vehicles will SGI, SaskTel and SaskWater be purchasing in the 2001-2002 fiscal year and how does this compare to the Crown's vehicle replacement programs of previous years?

### Answer:

Saskatchewan Government Insurance

SGI will not purchase any new vehicles in the next fiscal year. SGI did not purchase any vehicles in the previous years.

## SaskTel

SaskTel does not purchase vehicles.

### SaskWater

In 2001, SaskWater's utility unit has budgeted for the purchase of one gravel truck. The non-utility has budgeted for 0 vehicles purchases.

## **APRIL 12, 2001**

# Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 61, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister of Social Services: What is the total amount of dollars that the Department of Social Services has put into the Head Start Program to date?

### Answer:

None. Head Start is a federally-funded program.

## Ms. Bakken asked the Government Question No. 62, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: What is the Department of Health's definition of the following terms as they are applied and used within the current health care system: acute care, long-term care, respite care, home care, health facility, hospital, urgent and emergent?

### Answer:

### Acute Care

Acute care services include medical and surgical care, obstetrics, perinatal and pediatric care, psychiatric care and emergency services, as well as other specialty and support services. The mix and range of services provided by individual facilities varies with the health needs and priorities of the health district and local community

### Long Term Care

Long term care generally refers to the services offered by licensed special-care homes and includes long term care units in hospital. Special-care homes offer institutional long term care and accommodation to individuals who require more care and supervision than is available through community/home-based services. Individuals are admitted to special-care homes on the basis of assessed need.

## Respite Care

Generally refers to a planned period of temporary care for persons who normally reside at home, and are dependent on family members for intermittent or continuous care. Respite services may be offered in a special-care home, a hospital or at home through home care. It should be noted that respite care is a flexible service and may also address emergency situations where the caregiver is hospitalized on short notice, must deal with a personal crisis or is deceased.

## Institutional Respite

The definition in place in 1993 was repealed in 2000 and replaced by the following definition in *The Special-care Home Rates Regulations*, which reads:

"Respite care means temporary care provided in a special-care home to a person who normally resides in the community in order to provide relief to members of the person's family or friends who are primary caregivers."

## Home Care

Generally refers to those services provided to individuals requiring acute, palliative or supportive care that does not need to be provided in a special care home or hospital that will enable an individual to continue to live as independently as possible in their own homes. The services are intended to supplement support provided by family and community. Services include case-management, nursing, therapies, personal care, homemaking, meals, home maintenance, volunteer services and respite services. The provision of home care services is based on assessed need.

### Health Facility

The term health facility has been used to refer to any physical structure where health services are delivered. These facilities may include but are not limited to hospitals (including acute and rehabilitation), special-care homes, personal care homes, community health centres, community clinics, and facilities providing detoxification, inpatient, and long-term residential alcohol and drug recovery services.

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## Hospital

According to *The Hospital Standards Regulations*, a hospital means 'an establishment for the admission and care of sick and injured persons and obstetrical patients and newborns in which bed care and diagnostic and treatment services are provided to such persons, but does not include a facility within the meaning of *The Mental Health Services Act* other than a facility that is operated in conjunction with or as part of a general hospital.'

## Emergent / Urgent

The Hospital Standards Regulations define emergency as — "emergency" means the condition of a patient whose life or health is in immediate danger, and where, in the recorded opinion of the attending physician, any delay in administering treatment would increase the danger.

Patients whose needs are not emergent, but are determined by their physician to be of an urgent nature, receive service within clinically-determined time frames, which may vary depending on a variety of factors (e.g. whether cancer or suspected cancer is involved).

The terms "emergent" and "urgent" are used by health care professionals to define and communicate the urgency of patient need. These terms may be defined at the district or other levels of the health care system differently for different purposes and services.

## Ms. Bakken asked the Government Question No. 63, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: What was the Department of Health's definition of the following terms as they were applied and used within the health care system in 1993: acute care, long-term care, respite care, home care, health facility, hospital, urgent and emergent?

## Answer:

### Acute Care

Acute care services include medical and surgical care, obstetrics, perinatal and pediatric care, psychiatric care and emergency services, as well as other specialty and support services. The mix and range of services provided by individual facilities varies with the health needs and priorities of the health district and local community.

## Long Term Care

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## Institutional Respite

Respite Care was defined in *The Housing and Special-care Homes Care and Rates Regulations* as follows:

"Respite care means temporary care not exceeding 60 days in any six month period, provided in a home to a resident who does not normally reside in a home."

## Respite in Home Care

Respite in Home Care is defined through provincial policy rather than regulation and is as follows:

"Respite is any combination of services provided expressly for the purpose of giving relief to the family or other caregivers of a dependent person who lives at home."

### Home Care

Generally refers to those services provided to individuals requiring acute, palliative or supportive care that does not need to be provided in a special care home or hospital that will enable an individual to continue to live as independently as possible in their own homes. The services are intended to supplement support provided by family and community. Services include case-management, nursing, therapies, personal care, homemaking, meals, home maintenance, volunteer services and respite services. The provision of home care services is based on assessed need.

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The terms "emergent" and "urgent" are used by health care professionals to define and communicate the urgency of patient need. These terms may be defined at the district or other levels of the health care system differently for different purposes and services.

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 64, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister responsible for SaskWater: (1) How much municipal and school tax did the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation pay on their potato storage facilities to the R.M. of Rudy and to the town of Broderick? (2) Were there any grants in lieu of taxes paid and what is that amount?

#### Answer:

- (1) \$0. There was no tax notice sent to SVPC on these facilities. A request from the R.M. of Rudy for a grant in lieu of taxes was sent to Sask Water in 2000.
- (2) Yes. SVPC paid \$795.37 to the R.M. of Rudy.

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 65, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What is the complete methodology used in the Problem Gambling Prevalence Survey being conducted for the provincial government? (2) How does this telephone survey differ from other telephone surveys conducted for the provincial government on a regular basis on a variety of issues by marketing research firms in terms of methodology, analysis and cost?

(3) What is the complete breakdown of costs to the provincial government relating to this survey?

### Answer:

(1) Methodology

The aim of the research is to determine the current characteristics of and the scope of gambling and problem gambling among adults in Saskatchewan. The survey will be based on a specialized tool-the Canadian Problem Gambling Index – developed by a national task force for use across the country. It will be conducted by telephone using a random sample of 1,800 households.

The study will involve two-way and three-way analysis of demographic variables, problem gambling behaviors, health status and gambling participation rates.

(2) How does this differ from other telephone surveys?

Social behavioural research projects, such as the current study, are considerably more complex than opinion polls or marketing research telephone surveys that may be conducted by government agencies or private groups.

In regular opinion polls, about 1,000 residents are interviewed by telephone and asked 30 to 35 questions, and the interviewer records the respondents' opinions.

## (3) Costs

The cost breakdown of the project is as follows:

Survey Design and Project Management	\$12,400.00
Survey Research	\$79,715.00
Data Analysis	\$14,000.00
Report Writing	\$12,000.00
Associated Costs	
(travel, communications, administration)	\$27,032.00

# Ms. Harpauer asked the Government Question No. 66, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) How many forms have been received under the Saskatchewan Farm Land Property Tax Rebate Program to date? (2) Of those forms received, how many have been processed and how much has been paid out?

#### Answer:

- (1) As of April 9, 2001, there were 48,033 applications received by the Farm Land Property Tax Rebate program.
- (2) As of April 9, 2001, the program has completed processing 22,577 applications. The total paid out to date is \$10,195,938.

## **APRIL 18, 2001**

## Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 67, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation. For each of the cities of Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw and Prince Albert and for each of the provincial electoral constituencies outside of these four cities: (1) Which organizations received funding from the Associated Entities Fund under the Cultural Facilities Grant Program in the 2000-2001 fiscal year? (2) How much money did each of these organizations receive in the 2000-2001 fiscal year? (3) What were the projects these organizations received funding for?

#### Answer:

No organizations received funding from the Associated Entities Fund under the Cultural Facilities Grant Program in the 2000-2001 fiscal year.

## Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 68, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation. For each of the cities of Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw and Prince Albert and for each of the provincial electoral constituencies outside of these four cities: (1) Which organizations received funding from the Associated Entities Fund under the Cultural Facilities Grant Program in the 1999-2000 fiscal year? (2) How much money did each of these organizations receive in the 1999-2000 fiscal year? (3) What were the projects these organizations received funding for?

### Answer:

No organizations received funding from the Associated Entities Fund under the Cultural Facilities Grant Program in the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 69, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding support for the Saskatchewan Snowmobile Association and its subsidiary clubs: What does the government plan to do to assist the SSA so that it can strengthen tourism in Saskatchewan by building a safe-trail system throughout the province?

## Answer:

Officials in Economic and Co-operative Development have agreed to provide funding to study the issues surrounding the development and maintenance of a sustainable groomed snowmobile trail system in Saskatchewan in more depth.

Currently, department officials are working with the SSA to develop the Terms of Reference (TOR) for a contract to examine the viability and sustainability of the existing groomed trail network in Saskatchewan. This will include reviewing issues surrounding the existing trail permit program, which was developed with the full collaboration and co-operation of the SSA and implemented in 1999. The existing trail permit program is intended to provide stable, long-term funding on a user-pay basis, for the maintenance and development of groomed snowmobile trails in Saskatchewan. The SSA currently administers the trail permit program.

Senior officials in ECD have met recently, and will continue to meet with the organization to provide advice to the industry.

## **APRIL 19, 2001**

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 70, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What salary increases will the President and Vice-Presidents of SaskPower receive in 2001?

### Answer:

Section 5(1) of *The Crown Employment Contracts Act* requires that:

"Every (a) permanent head; and (b) Crown employee who reports directly to a permanent head; shall file with the Clerk of the Executive Council a true copy of his or her Crown employment contract."

This contract includes the employee's salary. All of these contracts are available to the public under Section 5(6) which states that:

"The Clerk of the Executive Council shall make available for public inspection, during normal office hours, copies of all Crown employment contracts filed pursuant to this section."

Any changes to the employee's salary are required to be filed in the same manner as stated above, and are also available for public inspection in the same manner as stated above.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 71, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What salary increases will the President and Vice-Presidents of SaskEnergy receive in 2001?

### Answer:

Section 5(1) of *The Crown Employment Contracts Act* requires that:

"Every (a) permanent head; and (b) Crown employee who reports directly to a permanent head; shall file with the Clerk of the Executive Council a true copy of his or her Crown employment contract."

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## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 72, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What salary increases will the President and Vice-Presidents of CIC receive in 2001?

#### Answer:

Section 5(1) of *The Crown Employment Contracts Act* requires that:

"Every (a) permanent head; and (b) Crown employee who reports directly to a permanent head; shall file with the Clerk of the Executive Council a true copy of his or her Crown employment contract."

This contract includes the employee's salary. All of these contracts are available to the public under Section 5(6) which states that:

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## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 73, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What salary increases will the President and Vice-Presidents of SGI receive in 2001?

### Answer:

Section 5(1) of *The Crown Employment Contracts Act* requires that:

"Every (a) permanent head; and (b) Crown employee who reports directly to a permanent head; shall file with the Clerk of the Executive Council a true copy of his or her Crown employment contract."

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### Mr. Wall asked the Government Ouestion No. 74, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What salary increases will the President and Vice-Presidents of SaskTel receive in 2001?

### Answer:

Section 5(1) of *The Crown Employment Contracts Act* requires that:

"Every (a) permanent head; and (b) Crown employee who reports directly to a permanent head; shall file with the Clerk of the Executive Council a true copy of his or her Crown employment contract."

This contract includes the employee's salary. All of these contracts are available to the public under Section 5(6) which states that:

"The Clerk of the Executive Council shall make available for public inspection, during normal office hours, copies of all Crown employment contracts filed pursuant to this section."

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## Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 75, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) How much money was transferred from the federal government to the provincial government in the 2000-2001 fiscal year for services provided to off-reserve Indians? (2) Which provincial government agencies and departments received money and how much did each

of these agencies and departments receive?

#### Answer:

This is not an issue specific to the Finance portfolio and would be better directed to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs.

# Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 76, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) What are the details of all planed purchases, leases and upgrades to your department's fire suppression aircraft in the current fiscal year? (2) Please provide a complete inventory list of all aircraft owned by the Government of Saskatchewan for fire fighting purposes and the cost of their annual maintenance including engine replacement, etc.

### Answer:

- (1) There are at present no planned air tanker purchases, leases or upgrades in this fiscal year.
- (2) SERM operates 18 aircraft for forest fire suppression activities. These aircraft are:
  - 6 birddog aircraft (used for air traffic control over fire operations)
  - 6 Canadair CL 215s (water bombing aircraft)
  - 6 Dehavilland Trackers (laying of retardant to halt the progress of fire)

Costs vary on an annual basis depending on factors such as hours flown, planned maintenance procedures as directed by Transport Canada as well as for unforeseen repairs. Over the past three years the average annual cost for maintenance for all SERM aircraft is \$4,981,842. This includes such items as engine replacements, insurance, overhaul and repair, material and supplies. This also includes staff salaries and overtime costs.

## **APRIL 23, 2001**

## Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 77, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation: Why has the provincial government not utilized the allotted funds from the 2000-2001 fiscal year for the Cultural Facilities Grant Program?

### Answer:

The initial deadline for the first intake of Cultural Facilities Grants was November 1, 2000. The Associated Entities Board was made aware that changes would probably be made to the eligibility criteria (i.e. matching federal funding) very shortly, so all of the applications were deferred to the next round. A new deadline of February 1, 2001 was set for receipt of applications to be considered at the Board's March 5, 2001 meeting. Sask Sport also sent out applications to communities so that those who might have applied in November but did not qualify because they lacked matching federal funding, would now have an opportunity.

# Mr. Weekes asked the Government Question No. 78, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Crofford:

To the Minister of the Public Service Commission: What are the estimated increased staffing costs to the provincial government for the current fiscal year as a result of the recent decision to have hundreds of managers in government departments become unionised workers?

#### Answer:

The cost of converting the out-of-scope employees to in-scope in the 2001/02 fiscal year is approximately \$2.3M.

## Mr. Weekes asked the Government Question No. 79, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: Why have large sections of *The Psychologists Act*, 1997 not yet been proclaimed?

#### Answer:

The purpose of *The Psychologists Act* is to regulate all psychologists in the province under one statute, and in doing so, improve their accountability to the people of Saskatchewan.

Psychologists in Saskatchewan are employed by many different public organizations, including school boards, universities, governments, social services agencies and health districts. There are also those in private practice.

Levels of education vary as well. Psychologists can be trained at the doctoral or masters level. There have been three groups representing psychologists:

- The Saskatchewan Psychological Association
- The Psychological Society of Saskatchewan
- The Saskatchewan Educational Psychologists Association

The Act recognizes the diversity of the psychology profession and now provides for a single professional organization to be called "The Saskatchewan College of Psychologists".

Following passage of the Act, certain provisions were proclaimed in order to allow for the appointment of a transitional council, with representation from the three groups, to ensure that the necessary bylaws are developed to regulate all psychologists.

Development of an entire new set of bylaws is an enormous task, and the issues are very complex with many divergent views.

A great deal of work has been done on the bylaws, and the Department of Health is currently consulting with the various stakeholders on a revised draft of the bylaws. It is important to ensure that all concerned have an opportunity to express their views so that we can be assured that we have bylaws that are workable for the profession and for the employers, and that the public's interests are protected.

We anticipate that we will be able to conclude our consultations in the near future and reach a conclusion on the bylaws so that we may proceed with proclamation of the Act.

## Mr. Weekes asked the Government Question No. 80, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) Has the increased staffing cost to the government that will come about as a result of the recent decision to designate hundreds of out-of-scope managers in government departments as in-scope employees been accounted for in the 2001-2002 provincial budget? (2) What will the financial effect of this decision be to the government?

#### Answer:

(1) No specific funds were earmarked in the 2001-02 Budget for the cost of moving positions to inscope. This was the case because the Labour Relations Board decision was not known at the time of Budget development and finalization.

There is a ten-month transition period to determine the actual position levels of employees affected by this decision. At that time, the cost implications will be clearer.

(2) It is estimated overall costs will be substantially less than 1% of total government payroll when fully implemented. Departments will be expected to manage the transitional costs within their 2001-02 allocation.

# Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 81, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) How much money has CIC put into Big Sky Pork, broken out in terms of grants, loans, loan guarantees and equity investments? (2) What percentage of Big Sky Pork does CIC currently own?

### Answer:

- (1) CIC has a \$15 million equity investment in Big Sky Farms Inc. CIC has not provided grants, loans, or loan guarantees to Big Sky Farms Inc.
- (2) CIC owns 39.98 % of Big Sky Farms Inc.

# Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 82, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: (1) How much money has CIC put into Big Sky Pork, broken out in terms of grants, loans, loan guarantees and equity investments? (2) What percentage of Big Sky Pork does SOCO currently own?

### Answer:

- (1) SOCO has an equity investment of \$500,000 and a term loan of \$1.5 million in Big Sky Farms Inc. SOCO has no loan guarantees to Big Sky Farms Inc. SOCO does not provide grants.
- (2) SOCO owns 2.84 % of Big Sky Farms Inc.

# Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 83, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Lautermilch:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Government Growth Fund: (1) How much money has each of SGGF II, SGGF III and SGGF IV put into Big Sky Pork, broken out in terms of grants, loans, loan guarantees and equity investments? (2) What percentage of Big Sky Pork does SGGF II, SGGF III and SGGF IV currently own?

#### Answer:

- (1) SGGF II has an equity investment of \$1 million in Big Sky Farms Inc., and loans of \$128,924. It has not provided any loan guarantees or grants to Big Sky Farms Inc.; SGGF III has an equity investment of \$3 million in Big Sky Farms Inc., and loans of \$648,467. It has not provided any loan guarantees or grants to Big Sky Farms Inc.; SGGF IV has a loan of \$1 million to Big Sky Farms Inc. SGGF IV has not provided equity investments, loan guarantees or grants to Big Sky Farms Inc.
- (2) SGGF II owns 5.47% of Big Sky Farms Inc., SGGF III owns 13.47 % of Big Sky Farms Inc., and SGGF IV owns 0% of Big Sky Farms Inc.

# Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 84, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What are the details of any loans, loan guarantees, grants or equity investments CIC has undertaken with Popowich Milling of Yorkton?

#### Answer:

CIC has no loans, loan guarantees, grants or equity investments in Popowich Milling of Yorkton.

# Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 85, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: What are the details of any loans, loan guarantees, grants or equity investments SOCO has undertaken with Popowich Milling of Yorkton?

#### Answer:

SOCO has a term loan of \$1.6 million with Popowich Milling of Yorkton. SOCO has no loan guarantees or equity investments with Popowich Milling of Yorkton. SOCO does not provide grants.

## Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 86, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding the role of approved private homes in Saskatchewan: (1) Is the Saskatchewan government planning to reduce occupancy in approved private homes? (2) Is the Saskatchewan government considering imposing expensive new regulations on approved private homes? (3) Does the Saskatchewan government believe that approved private homes have a legitimate role in providing care to Saskatchewan residents?

### Answer:

- (1) The Saskatchewan Government is not planning to reduce the maximum occupancy that can be accommodated in personal care homes, mental health approved homes or approved private service homes.
- (2) Regulations are constantly being reviewed to determine if changes need to be made to better ensure the safety of residents (such as fire safety) or improve the quality of care. Departments are in ongoing discussions with various stakeholder groups regarding what regulatory changes should be made. When there are major proposed regulatory changes, stakeholder groups are normally consulted as part of the regulatory process. There have been discussions among the Departments of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Health and Social Services about revised requirements for sprinklers in new care homes, however, this issue is not quite at the point yet to proceed to consultation with appropriate stakeholders.
- (3) Personal care homes, mental health approved homes and approved private service homes all have a role in the continuum of care. Such homes often provide individuals an attractive alternative for receiving care and accommodation that is "home-like" in nature.

# Mr. Elhard asked the Government Question No. 87, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) Has your department made a submission to the Canadian Transportation Agency as a part of the CTA's review process? (2) If a presentation has been made is it public and please provide copy.

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 46 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 112)

## Ms. Bakken asked the Government Question No. 88, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What is the foundation and methodology behind research currently being conducted by HSURC in the area of homecare? (2) When was this research project initiated and when will it be completed? (3) To date, what are the costs associated with this HSURC study into homecare?

### Answer:

(1) HSURC has informed Saskatchewan Health that the Commission is currently reviewing the feasibility of a further study into preventive home care. HSURC released a major exploratory study on this topic in May 2000. One of the recommendations of this study was that researchers continue to evaluate preventive home care services.

- (2) Following widespread discussion with health districts in the spring and summer of 2000, the HSURC board authorized a follow-up study of preventive home care in October 2000. A study working group of health system and public representatives was convened at the end of January 2001. The working group is currently reviewing the feasibility of a follow-up study and various study designs. Until that process is complete, HSURC has not set a planned completion date.
- (3) To date, HSURC has spent approximately \$6,000 in direct study costs.

## Ms. Bakken asked the Government Question No. 89, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What is the foundation and methodology behind research currently being conducted by HSURC in the area of emergency medical services? (2) When was this research project initiated and when will it be completed? (3) To date, what are the costs associated with this HSURC study into emergency medical services?

#### Answer:

HSURC is currently not conducting research in the area of emergency medical services (EMS). HSURC has an EMS Working Group. The Working Group is considering some future opportunities for research in the area of EMS.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 90, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding the Kroll Report and No Fault Insurance: (1) Has the government or SGI done an analysis of the Kroll Report and its recommendation of the Premier Option for reform of No Fault Insurance? (2) If so, what has this analysis shown? (3) If not, when can the government be expected to release an analysis of the report?

### Answer:

- (1) An independent committee called the Personal Injury Protection Plan (PIPP) Review Committee, was established December 14, 1999 to review all aspects of PIPP. The committee conducted a thorough review, which included public meetings at locations across the province, as well as solicitation of the views of individuals and organizations through mail, fax, email, phone, and the committee's web site. The committee also did extensive research, which included consideration of the Kroll Report and the Premier Option. This is noted in the bibliography of the committee's Final Report on pages D-13 and D-7 respectively. The PIPP Review Committee's Final Report was presented to government on December 19, 2000. The report, in its entirety, is being considered by the government.
- (2) and (3) N/A.

# Mr. Wakefield asked the Government Question No. 91, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Economic and Co-operative Development: Has Kinetic Lloydminster received any start up grants or funding and if so, how much did they receive?

### Answer:

The Saskatoon District Health Board operates the Kinetic program on a cost recovery basis. The start up and operating costs of Kinetic Lloydminster come from revenue collected from third party agencies.

The Kinetic program in Lloydminster is an outreach program of the Saskatoon Kinetic program operated by Saskatoon District Health. The program offers interdisciplinary rehabilitation services contracted to third party payers, primarily the Workers' Compensation Board.

## **APRIL 25, 2001**

# Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 92, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) Does the province have any responsibility for administering any funds received from the federally funded Head Start Program? (2) If so, which provincial departments receive funding and how much?

#### Answer:

- (1) No
- (2) Not applicable

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 93, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister responsible for Crown Investments Corporation: (1) How much municipal and school tax did CIC pay on their potato storage facilities to the R.M. of Rudy and to the town of Broderick? (2) Were there any grants in lieu of taxes paid and what is that amount? (3) What was the amount that the R.M. of Rudy filed on its tax notice to CIC for the potato facilities at the town of Broderick?

### Answer:

- (1) \$0. There was no tax notice sent to CIC or its subsidiary, Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation (SVPC), on these facilities. A request from the R.M. of Rudy for a grant in lieu of taxes was sent to Sask Water in 2000.
- (2) Yes. SVPC paid \$795.37 to the R.M. of Rudy.
- (3) The notice was called a "Grant-in-Lieu Notice", as opposed to a tax notice. The amount was \$155,389.47.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 94, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Saskatchewan, but within Canada, by officials of SGI and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 1999?

## Answer:

\$0.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 95, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Saskatchewan, but within Canada, by officials of SGI and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 2000?

### Answer:

\$23,905.88.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 96, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much is budgeted for travel outside of Saskatchewan, but within Canada, by officials of SGI and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 2001?

## Answer:

\$0.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 97, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Canada by officials of SGI and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 1999?

### Answer:

\$0.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 98, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Canada by officials of SGI and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 2000?

### Answer:

\$0.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 99, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan. Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much is budgeted for travel outside of Canada by officials of SGI and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 2001?

## Answer:

\$0.

## **APRIL 27, 2001**

# Mr. Elhard asked the Government Question No. 100, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: Could you please provide the department's spring tendering schedule for the upcoming year that includes which highways and roads will be repaired?

## Answer:

The department is waiting to finalize the Spring Tender Schedule pending federal approval and signing of the Prairie Grain Roads Program agreement (PGRP). The Spring Tender Schedule will be announced shortly after the PGRP agreement has been approved and signed. It is expected that this will happen in early May. In the meantime, the department will continue to tender contracts that are not linked to the PGRP.

## Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 101, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: What is the name of the individual that the Regina Health District has recently hired to recruit plastic surgeons and what is the salary that this individual is receiving?

#### Answer:

The Regina Health District recruitment efforts for plastic surgeons fall within the duties of Ms. Barb Porter, Co-ordinator of Physician Recruitment and Retention. Information requests pertaining to the compensation levels of individuals employed by the Regina Health District should be directed to the district.

## Mr. Krawetz asked the Government Question No. 102, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Finance: What is the total budgeted cost for the provincial government's public relations and communications campaign promoting the 2001-2002 provincial budget in terms of planning, production, distribution, advertising purchases and all other associated costs?

#### Answer:

The estimated cost of post-budget communication is \$147,500 and includes design, production and placement of print and radio advertising materials. The campaign took place in the two weeks immediately following the tabling of the 2001-2002 Budget.

# Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 103, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister of Social Services: (1) What are the names of the individuals on the Saskatchewan Council on Children? (2) How many times has the Council met to date? (3) What has been the cost of the Council to date?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 47 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 120)

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 104, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) How much did SaskEnergy spend on the advertising insert that appeared in provincial newspapers on Saturday, April 14, 2001 including planning costs, production costs, advertising costs and all other associated costs? (2) How much has SaskEnergy budgeted in total for this particular communications campaign?

## Answer:

- (1) SaskEnergy spent \$24,360.
- (2) This was the only element of this particular advertising campaign.

## Mr. Hart asked the Government Question No. 105, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

To the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training: How much has your department budgeted for the current communications campaign promoting the post-secondary student tax credit in terms of planning, production, distribution, advertising purchases and all other associated costs?

## Answer:

There is no budget item specific to promoting the Saskatchewan Post-Secondary Graduate Tax Credit for the current year. However, we expect to spend less than \$25,000 providing public information and pamphlets describing the tax credit. This is intended to inform Saskatchewan students and their families when they prepare their income tax returns.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 106, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Canada by officials of the Crown Investments Corporation and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 1999?

### Answer:

CIC: \$0.

SaskPower: \$0. SaskTel: \$139,884 SaskEnergy: \$0.

SGI: \$0. (Also provided in response to Question 97)

SOCO: \$0.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 107, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Canada by officials of the Crown Investments Corporation, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 2000?

### Answer:

CIC: \$17,489.90. SaskPower: \$0. SaskTel: \$339,799. SaskEnergy: \$24,819.

SGI: \$0. (Also provided in response to Question 98)

SOCO: \$0.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 108, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much is budgeted for travel outside of Canada by officials of the Crown Investments Corporation and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 2001?

### Answer:

CIC: \$0.

SaskPower: \$31,000. SaskTel: \$177,597. SaskEnergy: \$72,062.

SGI: \$0. (Also provided in response to Question 99)

SOCO: \$0.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 109, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Saskatchewan, but inside Canada by officials of the Crown Investments Corporation and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 1999?

#### Answer:

CIC: \$35,566.11. SaskPower: \$0. SaskTel: \$69,061. SaskEnergy: \$15,940.

SGI: \$0. (Also provided in response to Question 94)

SOCO: \$2,400.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 110, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Saskatchewan, but inside Canada by officials of the Crown Investments Corporation and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 2000?

### Answer:

CIC: \$34,617.89. SaskPower: \$4,451. SaskTel: \$76,430. SaskEnergy: \$5,008.

SGI: \$23,905.88. (Also provided in response to Question 95)

SOCO: \$3,055.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 111, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much is budgeted for travel outside of Saskatchewan, but within Canada by officials of the Crown Investments Corporation and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 2001?

### Answer:

CIC: \$0.

SaskPower: \$41,700. SaskTel: \$53,411. SaskEnergy: \$0.

SGI: \$0. (Also provided in response to Question 96)

SOCO: \$4,000.

## **APRIL 30, 2001**

## Ms. Julé asked the Government Question No. 112, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé:

To the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs: (1) How much money was transferred from the federal government to the provincial government in the 2000-2001 fiscal year for services provided to offreserve Indians? (2) Which provincial government agencies and departments received money and how much did each of these agencies and departments receive?

#### Answer:

- (1) The Province does not receive transfers from the federal government specifically for services provided to off-reserve First Nations people.
- (2) The Government of Saskatchewan receives payments from the federal government for programs and services available to all people of Saskatchewan.

Saskatchewan also has a number of cost-sharing agreements with Ottawa. Some of these cost-sharing agreements target Aboriginal people including off-reserve First Nations individuals.

An example of a cost-shared program that targets Aboriginal people in Saskatchewan is the Aboriginal Court Worker Program, administered through the Department of Justice.

## MAY 1, 2001

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 115, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Canada by officials of SaskTel and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 1999?

## Answer:

\$139,884

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 118, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent on travel outside of Saskatchewan, but within Canada by officials of SaskTel and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 1999?

## Answer:

\$69,061

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 119, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: What is the total number of square feet of space available for lease and/or rent in the Petroleum Research Technology Centre in Regina and The Terrace in Regina including space that is already leased and/or rented and space that is not currently rented and/or leased?

#### Answer:

This question is appropriately asked to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 120, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: What are the names of all the tenants leasing and/or renting space in the Petroleum Research Technology Centre in Regina and The Terrace in Regina, including the name of the tenant, the number of square feet of space leased and/or rented by each tenant and the terms and conditions of each lease or rental agreement?

### Answer:

This question is appropriately asked to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 121, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: What are all the companies in which SOCO has investment interests including the name of each company, the total amount invested in each company, the investment vehicle used for each investment and the terms and conditions of each investment?

### Answer:

This question is appropriately asked to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 122, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: (1) What were the 24 companies in which SOCO invested in 2000? (2) How much was invested in each company? (3) What was the investment vehicle used for each investment? (4) What were the terms and conditions of each investment?

#### Answer:

This question is appropriately asked to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

# Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 123, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Did Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation purchase any potato growing equipment in the 2000-2001 fiscal year? (2) If so, what did they purchase and what was the cost of each piece of equipment?

### Answer:

This question is appropriately asked to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

# Mr. Wakefield asked the Government Question No. 124, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Did a number of executives of SaskPower travel to Minneapolis on or about April 18, 2001? (2) If so, who went, for what purpose and at what cost? (3) What specific mode of transportation did they use and at what cost?

#### Answer:

This question is appropriately asked to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

## MAY 2, 2001

# Mr. Bjornerud asked the Government Question No. 125, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) In the past fiscal year 2000-2001, how many applications for land purchases did the Farm Land Security Board receive from out-of-province residents? (2) Of those applications, how many were rejected, how many were approved, and how many were granted exemptions?

### Answer:

- (1) The total applications in the past fiscal year for land purchases from out-of-province residents is 164.
- (2) Of those applications 6 were denied and 158 were approved and exemptions provided.

# Mr. Wiberg asked the Government Question No. 126, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What method is SaskPower using to supply electrical energy to the community of Deschambault Lake?

### Answer:

The area of Deschambault Lake is served by a 25 kV line out of Island Falls Hydro Station.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 129, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent for travel outside of Canada by officials of SaskPower, and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, in the year 1999?

## Answer:

\$0

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 132, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: Regarding Crown expenditures on external investment-seeking travel: How much was spent for travel outside of Saskatchewan, but within Canada by officials of SaskPower, and its subsidiaries, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, in the year 1999?

#### Answer:

\$3,286

## MAY 3, 2001

# Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 133, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Justice: How many Rural Municipalities across Saskatchewan have paid for their portion of RCMP services to date and please provide a list of those RM's that have paid?

#### Answer:

The urban and rural municipalities have not been billed for 2001 policing services under the RCMP Cost Redistribution program. Justice invoices these municipalities, once a year, in October. With respect to the year 2000 Cost Redistribution program, only the RMs of McLeod and Spiritwood have not yet paid. The remaining 295 rural municipalities have paid for their 2000 policing services.

# Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 134, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) In fiscal year 2000-2001, how much revenue did the provincial government take in from the one per cent fire prevention tax on insurance premiums? (2) How much funding was provided to the Office of the Fire Commissioner?

### Answer:

- (1) \$ 2,164,415.
- (2) The funding for the Office of the Fire Commissioner is contained within the subvote entitled "Public Safety" in the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing. This question should be directed to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

### Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 135, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What specific policy changes have each of CIC, SaskPower, SaskTel, SGI and SaskEnergy implemented in response to the October 15, 1998 Report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations on Channel Lake?

### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 136, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What is CIC's strategic plan for investment, expansion and diversification initiatives as described in Recommendation 12 of the October 15, 1998 report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations on Channel Lake?

## Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 137, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What is SaskPower's strategic plan for investment, expansion and divestment, and diversification initiatives as described in Recommendation 12 of the October 15, 1998 report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations on Channel Lake?

### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 138, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What is SaskTel's strategic plan for investment, expansion and diversification initiatives as described in Recommendation 12 of the October 15, 1998 report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations on Channel Lake?

### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 139, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What is SGI's strategic plan for investment, expansion and diversification initiatives as described in Recommendation 12 of the October 15, 1998 report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations on Channel Lake?

#### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 140, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What is SaskEnergy's strategic plan for investment, expansion and divestment, and diversification initiatives as described in Recommendation 12 of the October 15, 1998 report of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations on Channel Lake?

### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 141, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Was SaskTel's decision to initiate IQ&A Partnership approved by cabinet and, if so, what is the number of the Order-in-Council authorizing this investment? (2) Was SaskTel's 1999 decision to acquire the remaining 40 per cent of IQ&A Partnership approved by cabinet and, if so, what is the number of the Order-in-Council approving this acquisition? (3) Was SaskTel's decision to wind down IQ&A Partnership approved by cabinet and, if so, what is the number of the Order-in-Council approving this decision?

#### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 142, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Did IQ&A Partnership provide monthly performance reports to the Board of Directors of SaskTel? (2) Did IQ&A Partnership provide quarterly performance reports to the Board of Directors of CIC?

#### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

### Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 143, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Who was on the Audit Committee of SaskTel's Board of Directors when the decision was made to initiate IQ&A Partnership? (2) Did the Audit Committee provide a recommendation to SaskTel's Board of Directors in favor of this initiative?

## Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

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## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 144, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Who was on the Audit Committee of SaskTel's Board of Directors when the decision was made to initiate numbered company 3231518 Canada Ltd.? (2) Did the Audit Committee provide a recommendation to SaskTel's Board of Directors in favor of this initiative?

#### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 145, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Who was on the Audit Committee of SaskTel's Board of Directors when the decision was made to initiate Securtek Monitoring Solutions Inc.? (2) Did the Audit Committee provide a recommendation to SaskTel's Board of Directors in favor of this initiative?

#### Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 146, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Who was on the Audit Committee of SaskTel's Board of Directors when the decision was made to initiate SaskTel's recently announced venture into the cable television business? (2) Did the Audit Committee provide a recommendation to SaskTel's Board of Directors in favor of this initiative?

## Answer:

It is appropriate to ask this question in the Crown Corporations Committee.

## MAY 4, 2001

## Mr. Toth asked the Government Question No. 148, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister Responsible for Rural Revitalization: (1) What are the Adaptation programs established that will help farmers establish alternative operations or retrain for alternative occupations? (2) How much money has been allotted for each of these programs? (3) Where can information be found if someone would like to apply to one of these programs?

#### Answer:

The question asked refers to a program developed and delivered by the Department of Agriculture and Food.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 149, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Justice: Regarding the proposed LAND system: (1) How many existing positions in the Land Title Offices will be displaced? (2) How much re-training will be required of present employees to work in the new system? (3) How much will the re-training cost? (4) Is consideration being given to early retirement of existing senior employees as opposed to requiring expensive retraining for employees near retirement? (5) When will the LAND system come into operation?

#### Answer:

- (1) At this time, there are over 220 Land Titles employees working at Land Titles and on the LAND Project, of whom 97 are permanent full time. The new LAND System will need 42 staff to process work in regional offices, plus 8 central office staff. As well, 31 staff who are presently working in Land Titles either have been or will be reassigned to work in the corporation's e-Business Services.
- (2) Re-training started in 1999. Staff were also given the opportunity to access individual training funds.

Prior to implementing the new system ISC will provide three weeks of intensive training in each Customer Service Centre. A week of on-site support will also be provided once the new system has been implemented in each location. The need for any additional training will be assessed and, if needed, will be provided at that time.

- (3) The entire staff training budget for the LAND Project is \$1,058,000.
- (4) An Early Retirement Option is now in place for Land Titles employees. There are approximately 30 permanent staff in Land Titles who will be eligible to take up the offer.
- (5) The LAND System will be implemented in the existing land titles districts on the following schedule:
  - May 2001 Province-wide Plan of Survey searches
  - June 2001 Province-wide Grant Searches and Writ Registry Searches, as well as Titles and Plan Processing in the former Moose Jaw Land Registration District
  - July 2001 existing Regina Area and Regina Southeast Land Registration Districts
  - December 2001 existing Humboldt Registration District
  - January 2002 existing Saskatoon Area and Saskatoon MidWest Land Registration Districts
  - March 2002 existing Battleford Land Registration District
  - April 2002 existing Prince Albert Land Registration District
  - June 2002 existing Yorkton Land Registration District
  - July 2002 existing Swift Current Land Registration District

In October 2002, once the whole Land Titles and Survey systems have been converted over to the new LAND System, online Registration will begin.

## MAY 7, 2001

# Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 150, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) How much was spent on travel outside of Canada by officials of Information Services Corporation (ISC) during the year 2000? (2) How much of this travel expense was related to ISC's Land and Geomatics services and how much of this travel expense was related to other activities of ISC?

#### Answer:

- (1) \$48,045.28
- (2) All of the travel expense outside of Canada in the 2000 fiscal year was related to the corporation's Land and Geomatics services.

# MAY 9, 2001

# Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 153, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Justice: (1) Did Information Services Corporation (ISC) hold a retreat for its executive management during the last week of April, 2001? (2) Were any consultants brought in for this retreat? (3) Where were these consultants from and which company or companies did they represent? (4) What was the cost for bringing these consultants to the retreat? (5) What was the cost for the entire retreat?

## Answer:

ISC did not hold a retreat for its executive management in April 2001.

### Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 154, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) How much was spent on travel by CIC's Strategic Development officials during the 1999-2000 fiscal year? (2) Who were the officials? (3) Where and when did they go? (4) Who accompanied these officials on these trips?

#### Answer:

- (1) CIC's fiscal year is January 1 to December 31. In 1999, travel costs for CIC's Strategic Development officials were \$7,066. In 2000, travel costs for CIC's Strategic Development officials were \$6,713. Those costs include conference fees where applicable.
- (2) The officials were Don Axtell, Director of Strategic Development; and JoAnn Buhr, Strategic Project Manager.
- (3) and (4) are answered together in the following tables:

## 1999

When	Where	Why	Who traveled
Mar. 23-26	Ottawa	Conference	Axtell
June 28	Waskesiu	Conference	Axtell
Sept. 29	Calgary	Meetings	Axtell
Oct. 16-20	Vancouver	Course	Buhr
Nov. 24	Ottawa	Conference	Axtell
Dec. 15-19	Toronto	Meetings	Axtell & Buhr

## 2000

When	Where	Why	Who traveled
Jan. 21-24 Feb. 19-23 May 15-June 3	Montreal Quebec City Calgary and Quebec City	Governor General's Canadian Study Conference	Buhr
June 21	Saskatoon	Conference	Axtell
Sept. 28-29	Saskatoon	Meetings	Buhr
Oct. 2	Watrous	Meetings	Buhr
Nov. 30-Dec.1	Ottawa	Conference	Axtell

# Mr. Elhard asked the Government Question No. 155, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) Which non-profit and community-based organizations will receive funding from the department of highways in the 2000-2001 fiscal year? (2) How much will each of these organizations receive?

# Answer: GRANT PAYMENTS 2000-01

Farmers Rail Car Coalition	\$59,468
Northeast Transportation Planning Committee	\$39,157
Athabasca Basin Economic Development & Training Corp.	\$29,900
Southwest Transportation Planning Committee	\$27,671
East Central Transportation Planning Committee	\$26,575
Central Transportation Planning Council	\$22,640
Western Rail Coalition	\$20,000
South Central Transportation Planning Committee	\$10,826

Saskatchewan Safety Council	\$10,000
North West Transportation Planning Committee	\$ 9,687
South East Transportation Planning Committee	\$ 8,409
HVWD Symposium 2000	\$ 6,500
Roadbuilders and Heavy Construction Association of Sask	\$ 6,000
Saskatchewan Council for Community Development	\$ 5,000
Town of Rosetown	\$ 3,581
West Central Municipal Government Committee	\$ 4,752
University of Regina	\$ 4,500
Hudson Bay Route Association	\$ 1,500
Council of Supply Chain & Logistic Management Conference	\$ 400

# Mr. Elhard asked the Government Question No. 156, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) Which non-profit and community based organizations received funding from the department of highways in the 1999-2000 fiscal year? (2) How much did each of these organizations receive?

### Answer:

### GRANT PAYMENTS 1999-2000

Farmers Rail Car Coalition	\$47,842
Athabasca Economic Development and Training Corporation	\$29,950
Southeast Transportation Planning Committee	\$27,340
South Central Transportation Planning Committee	\$26,535
Western Rail Coalition	\$25,000
University of Regina	\$25,000
Northeast Area Transportation Planning Committee	\$23,622
Southwest Transportation Planning Council	\$16,399
Northeast Economic Development Association	\$13,176
Northcentral Transportation Planning Committee	\$12,366
Saskatchewan Safety Council	\$10,000
RoadBuilders and Heavy Construction Association of Sask.	\$ 6,000
Saskatchewan Council for Community Development	\$ 5,000
The Northern Village of Ile-a-la Cross	\$ 772
Transportation Association of Canada	\$ 250
Hudson Bay Route Association	\$ 1,500

## MAY 10, 2001

### Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 157, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health responsible for Saskatchewan Health Information Network: (1) How much has been spent on the Saskatchewan Health Information Network (SHIN) to date? (2) When will it be operational? (3) Are any pilot sites pending? (4) Are any attempts being made to market the system beyond Saskatchewan?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 59 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 142)

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 158, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister responsible for the Information Services Corporation (ISC): Regarding the issue of travel outside of Canada: (1) How much was spent on travel outside of Canada by officials of ISC, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, during the year 1999? (2) How much was budgeted for travel outside of Canada by officials of ISC, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 1999?

#### Answer:

ISC did not exist in 1999.

## Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 161, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister responsible for the Information Services Corporation (ISC): Regarding the issue of travel outside of Saskatchewan, but within Canada: (1) How much was spent on travel outside of Saskatchewan, but inside of Canada, by officials of ISC, to investigate investments, made or under consideration for the year 1999? (2) How much was budgeted for travel outside of Saskatchewan, but inside of Canada, by officials of ISC, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 1999?

### Answer:

ISC did not exist in 1999.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 164, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister responsible for Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: What monitoring is done of river water entering Saskatchewan, and specifically does the Province of Saskatchewan receive regular reports of sewage treatment for effluent from the City of Edmonton entering the North Saskatchewan River?

### Answer:

(1) Environment Canada has been carrying out water quality monitoring of the North Saskatchewan River and Battle River, near the Alberta/Saskatchewan border, on a monthly basis since 1974. The data from these stations are available to Saskatchewan through the Prairie Provinces Water Board.

(2) Arrangements have been made with the Department of Alberta Environment to advise Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management of any potential problems, which may impact the North Saskatchewan River water quality. This includes problems, which may occur at the City of Edmonton sewage treatment works. Through the Prairie Province's Water Board, which is an inter-provincial board for water quality, Saskatchewan is advised of spills on transboundary watercourses.

## Mr. Gantefoer asked the Government Question No. 165, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) In 1999, did the Department of Health or the Regina Health District hire a company from B.C. to conduct a survey of the radiology departments at the Pasqua and General Hospitals in Regina? (2) What was the name of the company and what were the total costs associated with the survey? (3) When was the survey completed? (4) What was the name of the report that resulted from the survey and has the Minister of Health or the Regina Health District implemented any of the report's recommendations? If no, why not?

#### Answer:

- (1) The Regina Health District undertook this survey and information requests pertaining to the survey should be directed to the Regina Health District.
- (2) NA
- (3) NA
- (4) NA

## Mr. Gantefoer asked the Government Question No. 166, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) How many X-ray rooms does the Pasqua Hospital have? (2) How many are currently in use? (3) How old is the equipment in the radiology department at the Hospital – which houses the Allan Blair Cancer Centre? (4) Can the equipment take functional chest X-rays?

(5) If not, where are the patients sent and what is the added cost of this health care delivery?

#### Answer:

- (1) This question should be directed to the Regina Health District.
- (2) NA
- (3) NA
- (4) NA
- (5) NA

## Mr. Gantefoer asked the Government Question No. 167, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) To date, what is the number of cardiac operations performed in the Regina Health District in fiscal year 2001-2002? (2) To date, how many cardiac surgeons are currently providing services to the Regina Health District in fiscal year 2001-2002? (3) To date, how many cardiac surgeons have indicated that they will be relocating to another jurisdiction and how many have given notice that they will be retiring in fiscal year 2001-2002?

- (1) This question should be directed to the Regina Health District.
- (2) NA
- (3) NA

## Mr. Gantefoer asked the Government Question No. 168, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the total number of cardiac operations performed in the Regina Health District in fiscal year 2000-2001? (2) What was the total number of cardiac surgeons that provided services to the Regina Health District in fiscal year 2000-2001? (3) How many cardiac surgeons relocated to another jurisdiction and how many retired in fiscal year 2000-2001?

#### Answer:

- (1) This question should be directed to the Regina Health District.
- (2) NA
- (3) NA

## Mr. Gantefoer asked the Government Question No. 169, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) To date, what is the number of cardiac operations performed in the Saskatoon Health District in fiscal year 2001-2002? (2) To date, how many cardiac surgeons are currently providing services to the Saskatoon Health District in fiscal year 2001-2002? (3) To date, how many cardiac surgeons have indicated that they will be relocating to another jurisdiction and how many have given notice that they will be retiring in fiscal year 2001-2002?

#### Answer:

- (1) This question should be directed to the Saskatoon Health District.
- (2) NA
- (3) NA

## Mr. Gantefoer asked the Government Question No. 170, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: (1) What was the total number of cardiac operations performed in the Saskatoon Health District in fiscal year 2000-2001? (2) What was the total number of cardiac surgeons that provided services to the Saskatoon Health District in fiscal year 2000-2001? (3) How many cardiac surgeons relocated to another jurisdiction and how many retired in fiscal year 2000-2001?

### Answer:

- (1) This question should be directed to the Saskatoon Health District
- (2) NA
- (3) NA

## MAY 11, 2001

## Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 171, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) Which municipal drinking water supplies failed to meet with provincial standards in 2000-2001? (2) What are the compliance rates of all municipalities required to provide water samples for testing?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 64 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 144)

### Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 172, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of SaskWater: (1) Did SaskWater provide any consulting services outside of Saskatchewan in the 2000-2001 fiscal year? (2) What are the details of those services in terms of clients?

### Answer:

This question should be directed to the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

## Mr. Wiberg asked the Government Question No. 173, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Goulet:

To the Minister of Northern Affairs: (1) Which non-profit and community-based organizations will receive funding from the Office of Northern Affairs in the 2001-2002 fiscal year? (2) How much will each of these organizations receive?

#### Answer:

Planned allocation amounts, for which specific budget allocations have been made, include:

- 1. Saskatchewan Commercial Fishermen's Co-operative Federation Ltd., \$30,000
- 2. Athabasca Economic Development and Training Corporation (CREDO), \$60,000
- 3. Central Cree Economic Development Corporation (CREDO), \$60,000
- 4. Clearwater Regional Development Corporation (CREDO), \$60,000
- 5. Creighton Regional Development Corporation (CREDO), \$60,000
- 6. Dazi Regional Development Corporation (CREDO), \$60,000
- 7. La Ronge/Air Ronge Regional Development Corporation (CREDO), \$60,000
- 8. Northeast Economic Development Association Inc. (CREDO), \$60,000
- 9. Three Rivers CREDO Board Inc. (CREDO), \$60,000

### MAY 14, 2001

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 175, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: Why was Bonnie Swan, Manager of the Southwest Region of the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority, terminated from that position?

#### Answer:

The termination of Bonnie Swan is an internal personnel matter within Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority.

## MAY 15, 2001

## Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 176, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) How many times in the past year did the City of North Battleford report discharges of raw sewage into the North Saskatchewan River to SERM as required by provincial regulation? (2) What were the dates of these reported discharges?

### Answer:

- (1) Over the past year, the City of North Battleford has not reported the discharge of raw sewage into the North Saskatchewan River.
- (2) No reports therefore no dates.

# Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 177, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) Is SERM aware of any discharges of raw sewage by the City of North Battleford into the North Saskatchewan River which were not reported to SERM as required by provincial regulation? (2) If so, what was the date of those discharges?

#### Answer:

- (1) On April 30, 2001, SERM officials observed evidence of an overflow during an inspection of the sewage treatment plant.
- (2) Evidence of overflows of raw sewage were observed by SERM inspectors on April 30, 2001.

## Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 178, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) When did SERM first become aware that the City of North Battleford occasionally discharged raw sewage into the North Saskatchewan River? (2) What specific steps has SERM taken to ensure these discharges do not compromise the safety of the drinking water in North Battleford?

- (1) April 30, 2001.
- (2) SERM has conducted inspections to determine problems with water and waste water treatment plants; created extensive documentation and preliminary report on operational treatment, and system deficiencies/concerns; conducting on-going inspections to determine compliance with our regulatory and guideline directives from our inspections; working with consultants and suppliers installing equipment at the Water Treatment Plant; chair water quality task group which meets daily at 8:30 a.m. with health officials, SaskWater, City officials, town of Battleford officials; data gathering, tabulation and analysis to help in responding to the epidemic and link Water Quality and epidemiological information; assisting in responding to many, many public phone calls on all kinds of water issues, as the local phone number here is on all the public information; providing data to Regina office and file reviews, as all of the file information is located here in the local office.

## Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 179, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) Which Saskatchewan communities are currently under a Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory of an Emergency Boil Water Order? (2) In each case, what is the reason for the advisory/order?

#### Answer:

Answer was tabled and pursuant to Rule 43(1) converted by the Clerk to Return No. 66 by reason of its length.

(Sessional Paper No. 154)

# Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 180, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) How many times in the past year did any municipality report discharges of raw sewage into any waterbody to SERM as required by provincial regulation? (2) What were the dates of these reported discharges?

### Answer:

- (1) 1
- (2) February 27, 2001.

### Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 181, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) How much agricultural land, in acres, does the provincial government currently own or lease? (2) How much agricultural land in acres in Saskatchewan does the federal government currently own or lease? (3) How many acres of agricultural land does Ducks Unlimited currently own or lease in Saskatchewan?

### Answer:

- (1) As of March 31, 2001, Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food administered 7,516,931 acres of agricultural Crown land.
- (2) Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food does not keep records on the amount of agricultural land owned or leased by the Federal Government.
- (3) Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food does not keep records on the amount of agricultural land owned or leased by Duck's Unlimited.

## Mr. McMorris asked the Government Question No. 182, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing: How much funding was provided to the Office of the Fire Commissioner during the 2000-2001 fiscal year?

### Answer:

In 2000-2001, the Office of the Fire Commissioner was provided \$887,459 for operations.

### MAY 16, 2001

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 183, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) How much rent money did the government receive from private producers in the R.M. of Rudy and the R.M. of Canaan for use of government-owned potato storage facilities in 2000-2001? (2) Did the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation pay rent for use of these same facilities in 2000-2001, and if so, how much?

#### Answer:

- (1) That question cannot be answered due to reasons of commercial confidentiality. Private producers enter into contracts with Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation for the rental of potato storage facilities. It would be inappropriate to reveal terms of a client's contract.
- (2) No. Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation owns the facilities, so it does not pay rent on them.

## Ms. Harpauer asked the Government Question No. 184, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Who currently sits on the Farm Support Review Committee on Safety Net Design? (2) How many times has this committee met since January of 1999?

#### Answer:

- (1) The current Farm Support Review Committee consists of: Rhett Allison, Harry Bastness, Tom Cameron, Marsha Cannon, Rene de Moissac, Myles Fuchs, Neal Hardy, Audrey Horkoff, Noreen Johns, Wayne Katerynych, Sherry Leach, Arlee McGrath, Fred Meister, Jerry Pfeil, Jim Robbins, Marvin Shauf, and Doreen Wagner
- (2) Since January 1999, the Farm Support Review Committee has met in person four times and via conference call four times.

### Mr. Hart asked the Government Question No. 185, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) What is the total number of kilometres of highways in Saskatchewan? (2) How many of these kilometres consist of primary highways? (3) How many kilometres of the total consist of secondary highways? (4) How many kilometres of the total consist of 200 and 300 numbered highways? (5) How many kilometres of the total consist of gravelled highways?

- (1) The department maintains 26,225 km of provincial highway.
- (2) The department maintains approximately 6,000 km of highways that are primary weight year round and an additional 2,270 km of highways that are primary weight ten months of the year (restricted from May 1 June 30).

(3) The department maintains 17,955 km of highway at secondary weights or lower.

Primary weights are allowed up to 15 km off of the primary system. These totals do not include the length impacted by this regulation.

- (4) The department maintains approximately 770 km of 200 numbered highways and 2,460 km of 300 numbered highways.
- (5) The department maintains 5,795 km of gravel highways.

## Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 186, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister of Justice: Regarding the issue of Aboriginal Justice: (1) Has the government formulated a response to demands for a justice inquiry as a result of the frozen bodies discovered in Saskatoon over one year ago? If so, will the Minister table his response? (2) Will a justice inquiry be convened? If not, why not?

#### Answer:

The Minister of Justice is conducting discussions with the FSIN, the MNS and others, regarding a commission. Discussions regarding such a proposal are ongoing.

## MAY 17, 2001

# Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 187, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Environment and Resource Management: (1) Is your department currently involved in a lawsuit with a company called Nash Bay Equipment in La Ronge, Saskatchewan? (2) If so, what is the nature of that lawsuit and what precipitated it? (3) What are your department's policies regarding awarding contracts to businesses that may be involved in legal matters?

### Answer:

- (1) No
- (2) Not applicable
- (3) The department follows the procurement policies established by the Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation (SPMC).

### Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 188, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: (1) Has SaskPower awarded a contract to a company called Nash Bay Equipment in La Ronge, Saskatchewan? (2) If not, will a contract be given to this company and, if so, when will that contract be handed out? (3) What are the terms of the contracts? (4) What are SaskPower's policies regarding giving contracts to businesses that may be involved in legal matters?

### Answer:

(1) No

- (2) No
- (3) Not Applicable
- (4) SaskPower has a policy for tendering goods and services which is supported by a detailed tender handling process including the solicitation of bids. Bids are subject to an evaluation process which results in a purchasing recommendation. The purchasing recommendation includes a description of relevant information such as: business objectives; background; key issues; alternatives; and advance consultations.

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 189, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister responsible for Liquor and Gaming: (1) What is the total number of days allotted for the horse-racing season this year? (2) Is this number less than in other years? (3) Are there projected losses for the horse-racing season and, if so, what is that projected amount?

### Answer:

- (1) 88
- (2) Yes
- (3) This information is implicitly provided in confidence to the Authority as a licensing requirement for regulation purposes and to ensure compliance with the Criminal Code. The Authority has a duty to protect the interests of third parties and cannot release this information.

## MAY 18, 2001

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 190, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) So far, in the current fiscal year, what arrangements or agreements through special permits from your department did the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation receive to move potatoes to primary highways in Saskatchewan? (2) What were the terms of these arrangements or agreements? (3) What are the details of any financial agreement surrounding this?

#### Answer:

(1) A Transportation Partnership Agreement has been in place since March of 1999, as follows:

Agreement #: 98604 SPU Effective Date: March 10, 1999 Expiry Date: November 30, 2004

- (2) The Transportation Partnership Agreement allows the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation to haul primary weights on some secondary highways at certain periods of the year.
- (3) The financial details of all Transportation Partnership Agreements are confidential. However, the terms and conditions are the same as agreements with other potato growers like Pak-Wel Producer (Sask.) Ltd., Riverhurst Agricultural Products and Massco.

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 191, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: (1) For the 2000-2001 fiscal year, what arrangements or agreements through special permits from your department did the Saskatchewan Valley Potato Corporation receive to move potatoes to primary highways in Saskatchewan? (2) What were the terms of these arrangements or agreements? (3) What are the details of any financial agreement surrounding this?

#### Answer:

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### Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 192, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: What are the details of SGI's new auto salvage complex slated for construction in Regina, in terms of schematics and overall site plan and floor plan?

#### Answer:

SGI has begun the construction of a new Regina Commercial Claims / Regina Salvage / Claims Technical Services facility which will be located on a 38.4 acre site on Fleet Street north in the Ross Industrial Park. The building will be approximately 30,000 square feet of office, public, circulation and retail space; a 40-stall appraisal garage; and an auto body shop for product research and evaluation; and a dismantling, warehouse and recycling operation.

The prime consultant, ellard croft design group, prepared the site and floor plans which consist of over 100 blueprints.

## MAY 24, 2001

# Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 193, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: How many land grazing permits were issued to users of "Forest Fringe Land" by SERM in the year 1999-2000?

### Answer:

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## Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 194, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: How many land grazing permits have been issued to users of "Forest Fringe Land" by SERM so far in 2001-2002?

### Answer:

10

## Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 195, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Minister of Finance: (1) How are the municipal and education taxes on Forest Fringe Land determined? (2) Who is responsible for collecting them and to whom is it payable?

#### Answer:

These questions should be directed to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

## MAY 25, 2001

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 196, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister responsible for Social Services: (1) For the year 1999, what was the total number of children's deaths that occurred while they were receiving services from the Department of Social Services but were not in the care of the Minister of Social Services when they died? (2) Of those deaths, how many deaths were the result of: (a) natural causes, (b) suicide, (c) drowning, (d) homicide, (e) accident, (f) SIDS, and (g) undetermined injuries?

#### Answer:

In 1999, there were 33 child and youth deaths reviewed by the department, pursuant to the Child Death Review Policy. Classifications of cause of deaths by Provincial Coroner is as follows:

10 natural (1 SIDS),

11 accidental,

7 suicide,

1 homicide, and

4 unclassified.

*Note:* These numbers are subject to change when the 4 "unclassified" deaths are classified by the Coroner.

Of these 33 children and youth, 9 children and youth had received services in the year prior to their deaths. Cause of death is as follows:

5 accidental,

1 homicide,

2 suicide, and

1 unclassified.

Of these 33 children and youth, **19** were not in care but were receiving services. Cause of death is as follows:

- 7 natural (1 SIDS),
- 5 accidental.
- 4 suicide, and
- 3 unclassified.

Of these 33 children and youth, **5** were in the care of the Minister at the time of their deaths. Cause of death is as follows:

- 3 natural,
- 1 accidental, and
- 1 suicide.

Provincially there were 206 child and youth deaths age 0-21 in 1999.

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 197, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister responsible for Social Services: (1) For the year 1999, what was the total number of children's deaths that occurred while they were receiving services from the Department of Social Services and were in the care of the Minister of Social Services when they died? (2) Of those deaths, how many deaths were the result of a) natural causes, b) suicide, c) drowning, d) homicide, e) accident, f) SIDS, and g) undetermined injuries?

### Answer:

In 1999, of the 33 deaths reviewed by the department, pursuant to the Child Death Review Policy, there were 5 children and youth in the care of the Minister at the time of their deaths. Cause of death is as follows:

- 3 natural.
- 1 accidental, and
- 1 suicide.

# Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 198, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister responsible for Social Services: (1) For the year 2000, what was the total number of children's deaths that occurred while they were receiving services from the Department of Social Services but were not in the care of the Minister of Social Services when they died? (2) Of those deaths, how many deaths were the result of a) natural causes, b) suicide, c) drowning, d) homicide, e) accident, f) SIDS, and g) undetermined injuries?

#### Answer:

In 2000, there were **31** child and youth deaths reviewed by the department, pursuant to the policy. Classification of cause of death by Provincial Coroner is as follows:

- 10 natural (2 SIDS),
- 9 accidental,
- 7 unclassified.
- 4 suicide, and
- 1 undetermined.

*Note*: These numbers are subject to change as the 7 "unclassified" deaths are classified by the Coroner's Office.

Of these 31, 10 children and youth had received services in the year prior to their death. Cause of death was as follows:

- 2 natural,
- 4 accidental.
- 2 suicide, and
- 2 unclassified.

Of these 31, 15 were not in care but were receiving services. Cause of death is as follows:

- 5 natural (1 SIDS),
- 4 accidental,
- 2 suicide,
- 1 undetermined, and
- 3 unclassified.

Of these 31, 6 were in the care of the Minister at the time of their death. Cause of death was as follows:

- 3 natural (1 SIDS),
- 1 accidental, and
- 2 unclassified.

Provincially there were 208 child and youth deaths age 0-21 years old in 2000.

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 199, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Van Mulligen:

To the Minister responsible for Social Services: (1) For the year 2000, what was the total number of children's deaths that occurred while they were receiving services from the Department of Social Services and were in the care of the Minister of Social Services when they died? (2) Of those deaths, how many deaths were the result of a) natural causes, b) suicide, c) drowning, d) homicide, e) accident, f) SIDS, and g) undetermined injuries?

### Answer:

Of the 31 deaths, **6** were in the care of the Minister at the time of their death. Cause of death was as follows:

- 3 natural (1 SIDS),
- 1 accidental, and
- 2 unclassified.

## Mr. Kwiatkowski asked the Government Question No. 200, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: Regarding the discharge of raw sewage into a water body that occurred on February 27, 2001, in which community did this take place, into which water body did this discharge occur, how much discharge occurred and what action was taken by SERM?

#### Answer:

The sewage spill on February 27, 2001 was reported by the Town of Nipawin. Reporting was made in accordance with the legislated reporting requirements under the Environmental Spill Control Regulations where spill volumes of raw sewage (liquid domestic waste) exceed 300 litres over any 24 hour period. Raw sewage was discharged to the Saskatchewan River, downstream of the Francis Finlay Dam (Codette Lake). The spilled volume totalled 90,000 imperial gallons (409,140 litres) over a two-day period.

Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management (SERM) contacted town officials to determine the cause of the spill (power failure) and ensure it had been rectified. SERM officials also evaluated the likely fate of the spill to determine if there was a need to notify any downstream water users. It was noted that the nearest community downstream withdrawing water was over 100 kilometres away and downstream of Tobin Lake. Based on flows and dilution in the river at the time, and distance to downstream users, it was determined notification was not required.

## Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 202, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: How much money has your department spent to date in 2001-2002 battling provincial forest and grass fires?

#### Answer.

As of May 17, 2001, Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management is estimating that \$3.2 million has been spent battling provincial forest and grass fires.

# Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 203, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: How many forest fire-fighting positions have been created in Northern Saskatchewan since April 1, 2000 and provide the actual figures for that date and current figures?

### Answer:

In fiscal year 2000-01, Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management (SERM) created five new fire fighting positions by establishing a new fire protection area in La Loche. During fiscal year 2001-02, SERM will create up to 80 new fire fighting positions.

On April 1, 2000 there were 928 positions assigned to the fire fighting program including 300 contract First Nation and Northern Works fire fighters. As of April 1, 2001 there were 1008 positions assigned to Saskatchewan's fire fighting program including 300 contract First Nation and Northern Works fire fighters.

### MAY 29, 2001

### Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 205, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health. To the end of March 31, 2001, 38.7 million has been spent on SHIN:

(1) What was the original cost estimate for SHIN? (2) Is SHIN within budget to date? (3) What is the estimated final cost for SHIN? (4) Is SHIN's development on time?

#### Answer:

- (1) \$40 million was originally allocated for the start-up phase of SHIN. In this phase, the necessary infrastructure was developed and a number of pilot projects initiated. The start-up phase was completed at the end of March 2001 and SHIN is providing several application and network services to health districts.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) It is very difficult to estimate when SHIN will be considered finished, and similarly difficult to identify final cost since it is an ongoing operating support to the health system.
- (4) Yes.

# Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 207, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Axworthy:

To the Minister responsible for the Information Services Corporation (ISC). Regarding the issue of travel outside of Saskatchewan: (1) How much was spent for travel outside of Canada by officials of LAND, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 1999? (2) How much was budgeted for travel outside of Canada by officials of LAND, to investigate investments, made or under consideration, for the year 1999?

### Answer:

The Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan did not exist in 1999.

## MAY 30, 2001

### Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 208, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of SaskWater: What was the total amount of fees collected from producers for the sale of water for irrigation purposes during the 2000-2001 fiscal year?

#### Answer:

SaskWater does not sell water for irrigation purposes.

### Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 209, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Trew:

To the Minister responsible for Liquor and Gaming: (1) Does Casino Regina operate a credit office in-house? (2) If so, does this credit house offer loans ("markers") to customers for gambling purposes? (3) In the past fiscal year (2000-2001), please indicate: (a) How many customers received loans from the in-house credit office? (b) What was the total amount loaned out? (c) What was the total amount paid back? (d) How many customers defaulted on their loans? (e) What are the terms of each loan? (f) What measures, if any, are in place to collect from those that default on their loans?

### Answer:

- (1) No
- (2) No
- (3) Not applicable

## **JUNE 1, 2001**

## Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 210, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: What is the estimated dollar amount of damage done by so-called rowdy campers in each Provincial Park in Saskatchewan over the Victoria Day long weekend?

#### Answer:

The attached list indicates there was \$10,100 of damages reported for the Victoria Day long weekend in the provincial parks including Emma Lake Recreation Site.

May 18 - 21, 2001 Vandalism Report

PROVINCIAL PARK	Vandalism
The Battlefords	\$450
Blackstrap	Nil
Buffalo Pound	Nil
Candle Lake	\$500
Crooked Lake	\$300
Cypress Hills Interprovincial	Nil
Danielson	Nil
Douglas	\$350
Duck Mountain	Nil
Echo Valley	\$500
Good Spirit Lake	\$500
Greenwater Lake	Nil

Lac La Ronge	Nil
Makwa Lake	Nil
Meadow Lake	Nil
Moose Mountain	\$7,250
Narrow Hills	Nil
Pike Lake	Nil
Rowan's Ravine	Nil
Saskatchewan Landing	\$250
TOTAL	\$10,100

# Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 211, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: How much fire wood was available for use by visitors in each Saskatchewan provincial park over the Victoria Day long weekend?

### Answer:

The total amount of firewood available for use at the beginning of the Victoria Day long weekend in provincial parks was 4,126 cords. See attached list for firewood amount provided to each park.

May 18 - 21, 2001 Firewood

PROVINCIAL PARK	Firewood Available (cords)
The Battlefords	250
Blackstrap	6
Buffalo Pound	225
Candle Lake	300
Crooked Lake	100
Cypress Hills Interprovincial	300
Danielson	80
Douglas	200
Duck Mountain	200
Echo Valley	200

Good Spirit Lake	200
Greenwater Lake	275
Lac La Ronge	190
Makwa Lake	80
Meadow Lake	200
Moose Mountain	500
Narrow Hills	150
Pike Lake	240
Rowan's Ravine	250
Saskatchewan Landing	180
TOTAL	* 4126 cords

<sup>\*</sup> Note - This is the total amount of firewood available for the season

## **JUNE 4, 2001**

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 212, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: (1) How much money did SLGA pay to Larson Consulting in 1997-98? (2) What services did Larson Consulting provide to SLGA? (3) Were all of these services tendered for bids from other companies and if so, what was the tendering process?

#### Answer:

- (1) Larson Consulting was paid in 1997-98 a total of \$120,652.
- (2) Larson Consulting was contracted in 1996/97 to develop and deliver a customized introductory Leadership Development Program to SLGA staff.
- (3) Larson Consulting was the successful bidder to a Request For Proposals issued by SLGA in 1996 for the development and delivery of an Introductory Leadership Development Program.

The Authority received seven proposals in response to this RFP. The RFP selection committee was composed of 9 SLGA management and staff members. This committee selected the Larson Consulting bid as the best proposal.

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 213, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: (1) How much money did SLGA pay to Larson Consulting in 1998-99? (2) What services did Larson Consulting provide to SLGA? (3) Were all of these services tendered for bids from other companies and if so, what was the tendering process?

#### Answer:

- (1) Larson Consulting was paid in 1998-99 a total of \$47,012.
- (2) Larson Consulting was contracted in 1996/97 to develop and deliver a customized introductory Leadership Development Program to SLGA staff.
- (3) Larson Consulting was the successful bidder to a Request For Proposals issued by SLGA in 1996 for the development and delivery of an Introductory Leadership Development Program.

The Authority received seven proposals in response to this RFP. The RFP selection committee was composed of 9 SLGA management and staff members. This committee selected the Larson Consulting bid as the best proposal.

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 214, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: (1) How much money did SLGA pay to Larson Consulting in 1999-2000? (2) What services did Larson Consulting provide to SLGA? (3) Were all of these services tendered for bids from other companies and if so, what was the tendering process?

### Corrected Answer:

- (1) Larson Consulting was paid in 1999-00 a total of \$76,103.
- (2) Larson Consulting was contracted in 1996/97 to develop and deliver a customized introductory Leadership Development Program to SLGA staff.
- (3) Larson Consulting was the successful bidder to a Request For Proposals issued by SLGA in 1996 for the development and delivery of an Introductory Leadership Development Program.

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## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 215, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: (1) How much money did SLGA pay to Larson Consulting in 2000-2001? (2) What services did Larson Consulting provide to SLGA? (3) Were all of these services tendered for bids from other companies and if so, what was the tendering process?

- (1) Larson Consulting was paid in 2000-01 a total of \$164,676.
- (2) Larson Consulting was contracted in 1996/97 to develop and deliver a customized introductory Leadership Development Program to SLGA staff.

In 2000-2001, Larson Consulting was subsequently contracted to develop and deliver intermediate Leadership training and Lead-management training to build upon the introductory Leadership Development Program for all SLGA staff.

(3) Larson Consulting was the successful bidder to a Request For Proposals issued by SLGA in 1996 for the development and delivery of an Introductory Leadership Development Program.

The Authority received seven proposals in response to this RFP. The RFP selection committee was composed of 9 SLGA management and staff members. This committee selected Larson Consulting bid as the best proposal.

In 2000, SLGA utilized the electronic MERX system, a national tendering system for government agencies, when it proceeded to contract services to build upon its Introductory Leadership Development Program.

An Advance Contract Award Notice was posted to advise other potential suppliers to indicate their interest in providing these services. There were no replies. As per accepted government practice, if another supplier had indicated their interest, the Authority would have gone to an RFP process.

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 216, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: (1) How much money to date in 2001-2002 has SLGA paid to Larson Consulting? (2) What services has Larson Consulting provided to SLGA? (3) Were all of these services tendered for bids from other companies and if so, what was the tendering process?

### Answer:

- (1) Larson Consulting was paid in 2001-02 a total of \$37,236.
- (2) Larson Consulting was contracted in 1996/97 to develop and deliver a customized introductory Leadership Development Program to SLGA staff.
  - In 2000-2001, Larson Consulting was subsequently contracted to develop and deliver intermediate Leadership training and Lead-management training to build upon the introductory Leadership Development Program for all SLGA staff.
- (3) Larson Consulting was the successful bidder to a Request For Proposals issued by SLGA in 1996 for the development and delivery of an Introductory Leadership Development Program.

The Authority received seven proposals in response to this RFP. The RFP selection committee was composed of 9 SLGA management and staff members. This committee selected the Larson Consulting bid as the best proposal.

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## Mr. Hart asked the Government Question No. 217, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

To the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training: Which community-based organizations received funding from your department during 2000-2001 and how much funding did each receive?

### Answer:

The following community-based organizations received career and employment services funding in the fiscal year 2000-2001:

BSD Training and Resources Ltd.	\$196,000
Canadian National Institute for the Blind-Regina	\$ 44,042
Community Advocates for Employment	\$ 74,905
Keewatin Career Development Corporation	\$ 80,000
Learning Disabilities Association	\$ 25,860
Moose Jaw Multicultural Council Inc.	\$ 55,183
Multicultural Enterprises Inc.	\$100,000
Northcote Métis Development Corporation	\$ 25,000
Prairie Community Endeavours	\$ 5,000
Prairie Employment Program Inc.	\$175,000
Prince Albert and District Community Service Centre	\$193,523
Radius Community Centre for Education and Employment Training Inc.	\$343,666
Regina Food Bank	\$ 47,990
Regina Open Door Society Incorporated	\$131,000
Regina Work Preparation Centre Incorporated	\$380,000
Regional Employment Development Committee Inc.	\$357,300
Saskatchewan Abilities Council-Regina	\$ 43,373
Saskatchewan Abilities Council IncYorkton	\$245,000
Saskatchewan Association for Community Living-Humboldt	\$ 21,500
Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism	\$ 61,000
Saskatoon Open Door Society Inc.	\$173,531
SEARCHs Saskatoon Employment Access Resource Centre for Human Services Inc.	\$223,111
Society for the Involvement of Good Neighbours Inc.	\$ 84,000
South Saskatchewan Independent Living Centre Incorporated	\$255,000
Weyburn and Area Supportive Employment Services Inc.	\$100,000
Whitewood Tourism and Economic Development Committee	\$ 85,977
Women of the Dawn Inc.	\$120,000
Working for Women of Saskatoon Inc.	\$128,500
YWCA of Saskatoon	\$ 70,000

The following community-based organizations received literacy funding in the fiscal year 2000-2001:

Circle Project	\$20,000
LEARN project, Lloydminster	\$35,000
READ Saskatoon	\$47,000
Regina Public Library	\$29,000
Sask Federation of Labour	\$72,000
Saskatchewan Literacy Network	\$50,000
Service Fransaskois	\$44.000

The following community-based organizations received disability related funding in the fiscal year 2000-2001:

Canadian Mental Health Association - Regina	\$ 36,919
Canadian Mental Health Association – Saskatoon	\$ 36,919
Canadian Paraplegic Association	\$ 55,370
Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan	\$ 41,325
Saskatchewan Abilities Council - Regina	\$ 37,325
Saskatchewan Association for Community Living	\$176,070
Saskatchewan Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services	\$ 91,247
South Saskatchewan Independent Living Centre	\$ 37,246

## Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 218, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management: (1) How many quarters of land are deemed "Critical Wildlife Habitat Land" in Saskatchewan to date? (2) How many quarters of the said land has, or, is being turned over as "Treaty Land Entitlement Land?"

#### Answer:

- (1) Since *The Critical Wildlife Habitat Protection Act* (now called *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act*) was proclaimed in 1984, the provincial government has enrolled approximately 1,376,000 hectares (3.4 million acres) under this legislation. Much of this land is leased to Saskatchewan producers for livestock grazing.
- (2) Since 1992, 35,023 hectares (86,542 acres) of land have been removed from *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act* (WHPA) for Treaty Land Entitlement purposes.

## Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 219, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé:

To the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs: (1) How much land was purchased by First Nations for "Treaty Land Entitlement" purposes in the year 1999? (2) How much of this land has been given reserve status?

Estimated Total:	51.743 Acres
Private Land Purchased Estimate:	44,817 Acres
(1) Crown Land Purchased:	6,926 Acres

The provincial government has the ability to track the amount of Crown land by purchase date; however, Entitlement First Nations are not required to notify the provincial government of the date that privately owned land is purchased. Therefore, an estimate has been provided for that amount.

(2) Total Crown Land Reserve: 13,910 Acres
Total Private Land Reserve: 72,125 Acres
Total: 86,035 Acres

The total amount that attained reserve status has been given for the 1999 calendar year. Please note that some of these lands were purchased prior to 1999.

# Mr. Allchurch asked the Government Question No. 220, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Lorjé:

To the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs: (1) How much land was purchased by First Nations for "Treaty Land Entitlement" purposes in the year 2000? (2) How much of this land has been given reserve status?

### Answer:

(1) Crown Land Purchased: 23,566 Acres
Private Land Purchased Estimate: 63,308 Acres
Estimated Total: 86,874 Acres

The provincial government has the ability to track the amount of Crown land by purchase date; however, Entitlement First Nations are not required to notify the provincial government of the date that privately owned land is purchased. Therefore, an estimate has been provided for that amount.

(2) Crown Land Reserve: 4,112 Acres
Private Land Reserve: 43,540 Acres
Total: 47,653 Acres

The total amount that attained reserve status has been given for the 2000 calendar year. Please note that some of these lands were purchased prior to 2000.

## **JUNE 8, 2001**

## Mr. Elhard asked the Government Question No. 221, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Atkinson:

To the Minister of Highways and Transportation: For what reasons were recent pavement repairs made to the exit ramps of the newly constructed Pasqua St. / Highway 11 interchange in Regina?

### Answer:

These pavement repairs were done to fix minor deficiencies in the exit ramps. The deficiencies were identified last fall, but due to winter freeze-up, the work could not be completed until this spring. The repairs were completed at no additional cost to the department.

## Mr. Huyghebaert asked the Government Question No. 222, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Hagel:

To the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training: (1) In the past fiscal year 2000-2001, how many Saskatchewan students were awarded a Canadian Millennium Scholarship Foundation bursary? (2) What was the total amount of the bursaries that were received from the Foundation? (3) Were all bursaries received from the Foundation applied to the students' Saskatchewan Student Loan debts?

#### Answer:

- (1) In the 2000-01 fiscal year, there were 3,753 Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation bursaries awarded to Saskatchewan students.
- (2) The total amount of bursaries received from the foundation was \$9.772M.
- (3) The bursary is first applied to the student's Saskatchewan student loan debt and any remainder is then applied to the student's Canada student loan debt.

## **JUNE 11, 2001**

### Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 223, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of SaskWater: How much has your department spent on the Upper Assiniboine River Basin study to date and what actions have resulted from this study so far?

### Answer:

- total expenditures amounted to \$385,000 over the study period of 1996 2000.
- results of the study development of a hydrologic model, GIS mapping of the basin, and development of basin strategies which have laid the basis for the current major review of legislation, policies and programs which is presently underway.

### **JUNE 12, 2001**

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 224, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister of Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: (1) How much money did SLGA pay to Larson Consulting in 1996-97? (2) What services did Larson Consulting provide to SLGA?

(3) Were all of these services tendered for bids from other companies and, if so, what was the tendering process?

- (1) Larson Consulting was paid in 1996-97 a total of \$56,632.
- (2) Larson Consulting was contracted in 1996/97 to develop and deliver a customized introductory Leadership Development Program to SLGA staff.

(3) Larson Consulting was the successful bidder to a Request For Proposals issued by SLGA in 1996 for the development and delivery of an Introductory Leadership Development Program.

The Authority received seven proposals in response to this RFP. The RFP selection committee was composed of 9 SLGA management and staff members. This committee selected the Larson Consulting bid as the best proposal.

## **JUNE 13, 2001**

## Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 225, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Melenchuk:

To the Minister of Education: How much was collected in the education portion of property taxes in 2000 broken down between residences, business and farm etc.?

#### Answer:

The actual 2000 tax levies collected by school divisions will be verified upon complete compilation of school divisions' audited financial statements for 2000, likely in September or October 2001.

## Mr. D'Autremont asked the Government Question No. 226, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Osika:

To the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing: How much was collected in property taxes by municipalities in 2000 broken between residences, business and farms etc.?

### Answer:

The actual municipal taxes levied and collected are obtained from the 2000 audited financial statements, which municipalities are required to submit to Municipal Affairs and Housing by June 30, 2001. This information will be made available after the department verifies it, likely in September or October 2001.

## Mr. Heppner asked the Government Question No. 227, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What are the exact terms of reference of Justice Wakeling's investigation of SLGA officials?

#### Answer:

The Terms of Reference for Justice Wakeling are:

Review allegations made by an individual who raised concerns regarding offenses that may have occurred contrary to section 133 of The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Act, and review all related activity within the Authority;

Review the Authority's Conflict of Interest Policy and its consistency with section 133 of The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Act;

Review the appropriateness of a trip that took place at the expense of the Authority;

Prepare an independent report for consideration by the Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General to determine whether charges under section 133 should be laid, or if further investigation by police is required.

## Ms. Harpauer asked the Government Question No. 229, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: How much land did the Government of Saskatchewan purchase under the Land Bank program and how much of this land does the government still own?

#### Answer:

The Government of Saskatchewan purchased 1,195,725 acres of land under the Land Bank program and currently owns 760,431 acres.

### Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 230, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Nilson:

To the Minister of Health: Regarding Hepatitis C claims: (1) How many Hepatitis C victims have been refused compensation because their infections occurred before 1986 and after 1990? (2) How many Hepatitis C blood transfusion victims has the government compensated? (3) What is the average compensation paid the victims? (4) What is the total compensation paid out? (5) Now that Manitoba has compensated all Hepatitis C victims regardless of the date of infection, because as their Minister of Health says "It is the right thing to do" has the Saskatchewan Government considered doing the honourable and humane thing and follow Manitoba's and other provinces' leads in compensating all victims?

### Answer:

- (1) The precise number of Saskatchewan residents who may have been infected with Hepatitis C through the blood system outside of the 1986 to 1990 period is not known.
- (2) The 1986-90 Hepatitis C compensation plan resulted from the settlement of class action lawsuits against the Federal, Provincial and Territorial Governments brought on behalf of individuals infected with Hepatitis C through the provision of blood or specified blood products between January 1, 1986 and July 1, 1990.

A total of 69 Saskatchewan claimants have received payment under the settlement to May 31, 2001. The actual number of people who will receive payment under the settlement will not be known until those eligible have submitted their claims and the claims have been adjudicated by the plan administrator.

This could take a number of years, as the deadline for submission of claims is June 2010, with provision for later filing of claims in certain circumstances (e.g. claims for a person who is under the age of majority).

- (3) To date, Saskatchewan has paid an average of \$12,230 into the Hepatitis C settlement trust account for each of the 69 Saskatchewan claimants determined by the administrator to be eligible for payment under the settlement.
- (4) To date, Saskatchewan has paid \$843,886 into the Hepatitis C Settlement Fund for disbursement to eligible Saskatchewan claimants.

(5) We are committed to providing accessible, quality health care services that are within our financial means.

We are working to enhance treatment and care services for all people with Hepatitis C infection.

We are, however, not providing financial assistance to people infected with Hepatitis C through the blood system before 1986 or after 1990.

## **JUNE 14, 2001**

## Ms. Eagles asked the Government Question No. 231, which was answered by the Hon. Ms. Hamilton:

To the Minister of the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: What was the dollar amount of Larson Consulting's successful bid on the Request for Proposal issued by SLGA in 1996 for the Leadership Development Program?

#### Answer:

Larson Consulting's bid of \$71,436.33 was the lowest bid received which met the criteria.

### Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 232, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Serby:

To the Minister of Agriculture and Food: (1) Why did Saskatchewan not formally sign the Canada Farm Income Program until June 5, 2001? (2) What was the reason Saskatchewan did not sign the C-FIP agreement in January when Alberta did or in March when British Columbia and Manitoba did?

(3) How much has the late signing delayed payouts to Saskatchewan producers?

#### Answer:

- (1) Saskatchewan signed the federal-provincial Canadian Farm Income Program (CFIP) agreement on May 31, 2001.
- (2) Saskatchewan signed the agreement after the decision was made to participate in CFIP and access the Saskatchewan share of the \$500 million which was announced in early April. Other provinces made their decisions at different times and signed once they had their approvals in place.
- (3) The vast majority of claims remain to be filed the date of signing has not delayed payments.

## **JUNE 19, 2001**

### Mr. Wall asked the Government Question No. 233, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Sonntag:

To the Minister of Crown Investments Corporation: How much has been budgeted for the current advertising campaign SaskEnergy is running regarding the recent rate changes including design, production and advertising purchase costs?

### Answer:

\$75,000. This amounts to approximately 24 cents per SaskEnergy customer.

## **JUNE 20, 2001**

## Mr. Brkich asked the Government Question No. 234, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Belanger:

To the Minister of Environment and Resource Management: (1) How many land sharing agreements does your department have in place with Ducks Unlimited and what are the details of these agreements? (2) How much land does this affect?

#### Answer:

(1) One.

This agreement was signed in November, 1998 and expires on March 31, 2003. The government, through the Fish and Wildlife Development Fund, agrees to provide a maximum of \$250,000 per year toward the purchase of qualifying wildlife habitat. Ducks Unlimited Canada have agreed to cover the administration costs of this agreement and the ongoing management of these lands.

(2) 6,248 acres

### Mr. Hillson asked the Government Question No. 235, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Trew:

To the Minister Responsible for the Workers' Compensation Board: In the year 2001: (1) How many workers were granted independence allowances to date? (2) What was the cost?

#### Answer:

- (1) 405 workers
- (2) \$463,000 annually

## **JUNE 28, 2001**

### Mr. Krawetz asked the Government Question No. 237, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cline:

To the Government of Saskatchewan: (1) From which industry sectors was capital tax revenue generated in 2000/01? (2) What was the total capital tax revenue received by the province of Saskatchewan from each of those respective industry groups in that year?

- (1) General corporations, financial corporations and resource corporations.
- (2) The following information is based on estimates. No final numbers can be released until the Public Accounts for 2000-2001 are tabled.

General Corporations	\$ 78.1 Million
Financial Corporations	\$ 19.8 Million
Resource Corporations	\$ 231.3 Million
Total	\$ 329.2 Million

## APPENDIX B

## **BILLS**

[To find when a Bill was considered, see Index under "Bills – Alphabetical List"]

## GOVERNMENT BILLS

No.	TITLE	1 R	C.R.	2 R	Сомм.	AMDT.	3 R	R.A.
1	Partnership Amendment Act, 2001	24		221	243		243	262
2	Securities Amendment Act, 2001			186	232		232	233
3	Historic Properties Foundations Act	24		197	248		248	262
4	Registered Nurses Amendment Act, 2001	26	26	225	251		251	263
5	Dietitians Act	26	26	225	251		251	263
6	Planning and Development Amendment Act, 2001	29		209	238		238	261
7	Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2001	29	99	186	237		237	261
8	Provincial Emblems and Honours Amendment Act, 2001	41		61	78		78	80
9	Power Corporation Amendment Act, 2001	41	114	227	248		248	262
10	Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 2001	43	77	208	248		248	262
11	Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Amendment Act, 2001	43	77	221	248		248	262
12	Water Corporation Amendment Act, 2001	44		214	252		252	263
13	Class Actions Act / Loi sur les recours collectifs	45		222	252		252	263
14	Provincial Auditor Amendment Act, 2001	48	48	190	237		237	261
15	Credit Union Amendment Act, 2001	51		209	243		243	262
16	Film Employment Tax Credit Amendment Act, 2001	51	51	222	248		248	262
17	Professional Corporations Act	51		197	232		232	233
18	Appropriation Act, 2001 (No. 1)	48		48			48	49
19	Land Titles Amendment Act, 2001	55		227	248	248	248	262
20	Land Surveys Amendment Act, 2001	55		210	248		248	262
22	Assessment Management Agency Amendment Act, 2001	104		214	238		238	261
23	Rural Municipality Amendment Act, 2001	104	128	214	238		238	261

No.	TITLE (cont'd)	1 R	C.R.	2 R	Сомм.	AMDT.	3 R	R.A.
24	Urban Municipality Amendment Act, 2001	104	128	214	238	238	238	261
25	Northern Municipalities Amendment Act, 2001	104	128	214	238		238	261
26	Hearing Aid Sales and Services Act	111	128	225	251		251	263
27	Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2001	111	124	209	237		237	261
28	Commercial Liens Act / Loi sur les privilèges à base commerciale	111		209	232		232	233
29	Student Assistance and Student Aid Fund Amendment Act, 2001	123	137	227	248		248	262
30	Labour Standards Amendment Act, 2001	127	141	197	206		206	211
31	Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Amendment Act, 2001	127	149	215	238		238	261
32	Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2001 / Loi de 2001 modifiant la Loi de 1998 sur la Cour du Banc de la Reine	127		218	243		243	262
33	Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Amendment Act, 2001	155	155	227	248		248	262
34	Saskatchewan Natural Resources Transfer Agreement (Treaty Land Entitlement) Amendment Act, 2001	137	149	221	248		248	262
35	Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001	137	184	220	248		248	262
36	Public Trustee Consequential Amendment Act, 2001 / Loi de 2001 apportant les modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Public Trustee Amendment Act, 2001	140		220	248		248	263
37	Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001	140		219	232		232	233
38	Statute Law Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) / Loi corrective de 2001 (n° 2)	140		219	232		232	233
39	Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2001	148	148	221	243		243	262
40	Teachers' Dental Plan Amendment Act, 2001	156	169	220	242		242	261
41	Teachers Superannuation and Disability Benefits Amendment Act, 2001	156	170	220	242		242	262
42	Métis Act	160		267	276	275-6	276	288
43	Police Amendment Act, 2001	161		218	248		248	262

No.	TITLE (cont'd)	1 R	C.R.	2 R	Сомм.	AMDT.	3 R	R.A.
44	Prairie and Forest Fires Amendment Act, 2001	161	174	225	248		248	263
45	Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Amendment Act, 2001	161	174	228	248		248	262
46	Appropriation Act, 2001 (No. 2)	165		165			165	167
47	Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001	165	178	231	269		269	288
48	Miscellaneous Statutes (Domestic Relations) Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) / Loi corrective (relations domestiques) de 2001 (nº 2)	165		231	269		269	288
49	Land Surveyors and Professional Surveyors Amendment Act, 2001	177		227	248		248	262
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## **ABBREVIATIONS**

1R – First Reading

C.R. – Crown Recommendation

2R – Second Reading

amdt. – amendment

Comm – Committee of the Whole

PMBC - Standing Committee on Private Members' Bills

3R – Third Reading R.A. – Royal Assent

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#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

IK	_	First Reading	Comm	_	Committee of the Whole
2R	_	Second Reading			or Standing Select
3R	_	Third Reading			or Special Committee
R.A.	_	Royal Assent			
C.R.	_	Crown Recommendation	NCBC	_	Standing Committee on
M.	_	Motion			Non-controversial Bills
amdt.	_	amendment			
neg.	_	negatived	<b>PMBC</b>	_	Standing Committee on
R.D.	_	Recorded Division			Private Members' Bills
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