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GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Hon. Mr. Fentie (Motion #69)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work collaboratively with the Government of Canada, the Government of the Northwest Territories, the Porcupine Caribou Management Board, all affected First Nations in Yukon and the Northwest Territories, and stakeholders, to develop a Porcupine Caribou Herd Harvest Management Strategy that ensures to the greatest extent possible, the conservation and protection of the Porcupine Caribou Herd.

BILLS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

1. Bill #101 - Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right
- Mr. Nordick
2. Bill #102 - Act to Amend the Yukon Human Rights Act
-Mr. Inverarity

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Cathers

3. Bill #103 - Apology Act
-Mr. Inverarity

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

BILLS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT BILLS

1. Bill #104 - Smoke-free Places Act
-Mr. Hardy

NOTICE PAPER**NOTICES OF MOTION****MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

1. Mr. McRobb (Motion #164)

THAT this House urges the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges, or SCREP, who is currently the Member for Klondike, to convene a meeting soon after the conclusion of the 2007 Spring Sitting of the Assembly, with follow-up meetings as required, to enable the Committee to examine legislative reform measures without further delay and to consider near-term improvements for implementation in time for the 2007 Fall Sitting, such as amending the Standing Orders of the Assembly, if necessary, to achieve the following improvements, in the interests of the public, to uphold greater accountability and in the name of good governance:

- (1) extending the number of sitting days each year to better reflect present-day circumstances,
- (2) using fixed starting dates for sittings of the Assembly,
- (3) commencing Spring Sittings before March 31st to avoid using Special Warrants,
- (4) avoiding the announcement of budget items before the budget is tabled in this Assembly.
- (5) requiring the disclosure of whether spending announcements made after the budget is tabled are included in the budget or in some future supplementary budget,
- (6) requiring the identification of Government Bills to be brought forward in a sitting before the start of a sitting,
- (7) re-instituting the practice of providing departmental budget material when briefings are held,
- (8) re-instituting the practice of providing community breakdowns of the budget at the budget lock-up meeting,
- (9) re-instituting the practice of providing briefings for supplementary budgets, if requested,
- (10) avoiding the practice of calling departments for debate before responses to information requests have been provided at least a day in advance,
- (11) avoiding the practice of refusing to give breakdowns for budget items during budget debate,
- (12) avoiding the practice of refusing to answer budget-related questions during budget debate,
- (13) avoiding the practice of switching the order of debate without prior notice,
- (14) avoiding the practice of not tabling reports by the required dates,
- (15) avoiding the practice of refusing to table reports that are in the public interest,
- (16) avoiding the practice of refusing to provide cost estimates for Government projects,
- (17) avoiding the practice of refusing to disclose expenditures for Government contracts,
- (18) avoiding the practice of invoking closure on Private Members' Bills,
- (19) avoiding the practice of politicizing Tributes and responses to Petitions,
- (20) avoiding the practice of refusing to provide Legislative Returns when questions cannot be answered,
- (21) requiring responses to budget questions to be relevant to the question and informative,

- (22) requiring the disclosure of the topic of a Ministerial Statement at the day's House Leader's meeting,
- (23) requiring the Government to first respond to Petitions presented on behalf of the public before the decision is made on the matter identified in the Petition,
- (24) avoiding the inaccurate representation of the position of other parties in this Assembly,
- (25) avoiding the repetitive practice of finger-pointing instead of assuming responsibility,
- (26) avoiding the practice of failing to respond to the essence of questions,
- (27) avoiding the practice of not informing the House when a Minister has a conflict of interest on any matters falling within the jurisdiction of that Minister; and
- (28) providing greater clarification of language and terminology disallowed in this Assembly.

2. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #165)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to immediately release the report of the North Yukon Land Use Planning Commission as presented to the Government, prior to announcing the Government's response to its recommendations, and in all future reports commissioned at public expense, to adopt a policy of immediately releasing the report as presented by the author, and then providing the Government's response.

3. Mr. Hardy (Motion #166)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to take a step toward making the Yukon a carbon-neutral territory, by working to become a government that is carbon neutral and to offset greenhouse gas emissions in all Government programs and projects by creating an inventory of emissions, reducing those emissions wherever possible, purchasing carbon offsets to mitigate any emissions that remain, and, establishing a non-government organization that manages and monitors the Yukon's carbon-banking system.