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GOVERNMENT PRIVATE MEMBER'S BUSINESS

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Mr. Nordick (Motion #374)

THAT this House establish an all-party Select Committee on Human Rights,

THAT Hon. Marian Horne be the chair of the Committee,

THAT the honourable members Don Inverarity and Steve Cardiff be appointed to the Committee,

THAT Bill #102 entitled An Act to Amend the Human Rights Act be referred to the Committee,

THAT the Committee hold hearings for receiving the views and opinions of the Yukon Human Rights Commission, Yukon citizens and interested groups on legislative amendments to the *Human Rights Act*,

THAT decisions by the Committee require unanimous agreement by members of the Committee,

THAT the Committee report to the Legislative Assembly no later than the 15th sitting day of the next regular sitting of the Legislative Assembly:

- (1) its findings, if any, relating to public opinion for legislative change,
- (2) its recommendations, if any, regarding what form legislation implementing changes recommended by the Committee should take,

THAT in the event the Legislative Assembly is not sitting at the time the Committee is prepared to report, the Chair of the Committee forward copies of the report to all Members of the Legislative Assembly, thereafter make the report public, and subsequently present the report to the Legislative Assembly at the next regular sitting of the Legislative Assembly,

THAT during its review of public opinion on legislative options for amending the *Human Rights Act*, the Committee be empowered:

- (1) to invite the members of the Yukon Human Rights Commission to appear as witnesses,
- (2) to invite officials from the Government of Yukon to appear as witnesses on technical matters,
- (3) to engage a technical expert who is not a Member of the Legislative Assembly or an employee of the Government of Yukon to act as a facilitator in providing information at the public hearings,
- (4) to invite such other persons as it deems necessary to appear as witnesses on technical matters,
- (5) to hold public hearings,
- (6) to print such papers and evidence as may be ordered by it; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the Committee.

2. Mr. Nordick (Motion #234)

THAT this House urges Fisheries and Oceans Canada in conjunction with the Government of Yukon to support the implementation of the new regime for managing placer mining activity through operation of the Yukon Placer Secretariat that will:

- (1) provide ongoing oversight to the new placer mining regulatory regime,
- (2) resolve disputes,
- (3) coordinate the adaptive management process; and
- (4) provide a means for stakeholders and interested parties to continue to participate in habitat management decisions related to placer mining.

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.

2. Hon. Mr. Fentie (Motion #167)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon, the Government of Canada and Yukon First Nation governments to develop a timely, inclusive process through the re-instated Intergovernmental Forum to implement the recommendations of the Nine Year Review of

the Yukon Final Land Claims Agreements in order to ensure the spirit and intent of the land claims agreements are fulfilled.

3. Hon. Mr. Hart (Motion #168)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to modernize Yukon's overall emergency response structure by:

- (1) transferring Emergency Medical Services (EMS) which provides ambulance services to Yukoners from the Department of Health and Social Services to the Protective Services Branch of the Department of Community Services,
- (2) recruiting for full-time primary care paramedics for Watson Lake, Dawson City and other communities where necessary,
- (3) concluding an agreement on appropriate remuneration with EMS volunteers that recognizes the valuable contribution they make in providing ambulance services to Yukoners,
- (4) upgrading emergency response facilities, equipment, maintenance and training needs,
- (5) meeting with key stakeholders, including staff and volunteers in the communities to obtain their advice, ideas and views on how to best manage the specific needs of each Yukon community under the newly combined emergency response structure; and
- (6) examining the feasibility of providing 911 service in all communities.

4. Hon. Mr. Hart (Motion #169)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon, through the Department of Community Services, to establish an Infrastructure Fund to address the immediate infrastructure needs of Yukon communities.

5. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #170)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to utilize the review of social assistance rates currently underway to increase social assistance rates for those in need, and to provide incentives for those on social assistance who want to enter the work force.

6. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #194)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon and the Yukon Registered Nurses Association to continue working together on the development of legislation that will allow Nurse Practitioners to work within their full scope of practice.

7. Hon. Ms. Taylor (Motion #233)

THAT this House urges the Government of Canada to recognize that the unilateral decision in 1966 to integrate the Canadian Forces Superannuation and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation with the Canada Pension Plan contributions imposed an injustice and unfairness upon members and retirees of the Canadian Forces and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and therefore should take action to remedy that injustice.

8. Hon. Mr. Kenyon (Motion #239)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work with the Government of Canada, First Nations, Yukon College, members of the business community and non-governmental organizations to:

- (1) enhance and develop labour market initiatives targeting First Nations, older workers, youth, persons with disabilities and immigrants through measures such as apprenticeship programs, the Youth Employment Program, the Yukon Nominee Program, the Temporary Foreign Worker Program and other programs,
- (2) develop a national recruiting campaign; and
- (3) assist in the development of retention incentives for employers.

9. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #357)

THAT this House urges the Department of Health and Social Services to launch a new health promotion initiative to:

- (1) further assist Yukoners who wish to quit smoking by funding a portion of the cost of nicotine replacement therapies; and
- (2) work in partnership with the Motor Vehicles Branch to provide drivers with information on the increased health impacts of smoking within the confined space of a motor vehicle.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

1. Bill #46 - Act to Amend the Liquor Act
-Hon. Mr. Kenyon

(Third Reading)

1. Bill #48 - Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act
-Hon. Ms. Horne
2. Bill #47 - Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2008
-Hon. Ms. Horne
3. Bill #52 - Workers' Compensation Act
-Hon. Mr. Cathers
4. Bill #53 - Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax Act
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
5. Bill #49 - Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act
-Hon. Mr. Fentie

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
4. Bill #105 - An Act to Amend the Cooperation in Governance Act

-Mr. Mitchell

Adjourned debate: Mr. Nordick

- 5. Bill #106 - Net Metering Act
- Mr. McRobb

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Lang

- 6. Bill #107 - Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act
- Mr. Hardy

- 7. Bill #108 - Legislative Renewal Act
-Mr. Hardy

(Third Reading)

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

GOVERNMENT BILLS

- 1. Bill #11 - First Appropriation Act, 2008-09
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 2. Bill #9 - Third Appropriation Act, 2007-08
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 3. Bill #51 - International Child Abduction (Hague Convention) Act
-Hon. Mr. Cathers
- 4. Bill #50 - Child and Family Services Act
Hon. Mr. Cathers

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

1. Mr. Nordick (Motion #379)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to:

- (1) increase the inventory of affordable housing for seniors and elders in the territory by exploring options in communities such as Teslin, Watson Lake, and Dawson City to establish seniors' facilities similar to the one in Haines Junction; and
- (2) explore options for a variety of housing solutions that will enable elders and seniors with varying degrees of independence to continue living together as long as possible.

2. Mr. McRobb (Motion #380)

THAT this House urges the Standing Committee on Public Accounts to hold public hearings into the Yukon Government's investments in Asset Backed Commercial Paper and the Auditor General of Canada's Report on these investments, or otherwise the House should rescind the appointments of the following members of the Committee:

- (1) the MLA for Copperbelt and Chair of the Committee, Arthur Mitchell; and
- (2) the MLA for Porter Creek South, Don Inverarity.

3. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #381)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to make it a priority to consult with Yukon people about the need to review and modernize the Mental Health Act and mental health services across the Territory.

4. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #382)

THAT the Minister of Community Services immediately increase funding to the Mount Lorne Garbage Management Society by at least 50 per cent so that society members can continue their valuable work of managing the area's waste, which has achieved recycling rates that are almost double the national average.

5. Mr. Hardy (Motion #383)

THAT this House urges the chair of the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees to fulfill the requirements of Standing Order 45(3.2), by ensuring that:

- (1) all governments and organizations with the authority to nominate persons for appointment to any of the Boards or Committees referred to in Standing Order 45(3.2) are notified in a timely manner about existing or impending vacancies and invited to submit nominations,
- (2) public notification of existing or impending vacancies on such Boards and Committees is provided in an effective and timely manner,
- (3) Members of the Standing Committee receive full and accurate information regarding nominations that have been received with sufficient time to review all nominations thoroughly before meeting to make recommendations,
- (4) Members of the Standing Committee are advised whenever an unexpected vacancy arises in a Major Government Board or Committee, or when an existing member of such a Board or Committee gives notice of their intention not to complete their term of appointment; and

- (5) Members of the Standing Committee are consulted whenever a vacancy or impending vacancy on a Major Government Board or Committee will result in that Board or Committee not having the necessary quorum to carry out its mandated duties.