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ORDERS OF THE DAY

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.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

1. Bill #36 - Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act -Hon. Mr. Fentie

- 2. Bill #37 Legislative Assembly Retirement Allowances Act, 2007 -Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 3. Bill #44 Act to Amend the Income Tax Act (2007)
 -Hon, Mr. Fentie
- 4. Bill #38 Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act -Hon. Mr. Hart
- 5. Bill #41 Securities Act -Hon. Mr. Hart
- 6. Bill #40 Act to Repeal the Motor Transport Act -Hon. Mr. Lang

(Third Reading)

- 1. Bill #35 Act to Amend the Subdivision Act -Hon. Mr. Lang
- 2. Bill #42 Act to Amend the Municipal Finance and Community Grants Act -Hon, Mr. Hart
- 3. Bill #39 Act to Amend the Territorial Court Judiciary Pension Plan Act, 2003 -Hon. Mr. Hart
- 4. Bill #7 Fourth Appropriation Act, 2006-07 -Hon. Ms. Taylor

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

GOVERNMENT BILLS

1. Bill #8 - Second Appropriation Act 2007-08 -Hon. Ms. Taylor

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. Nordick (Motion #240)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to continue implementing its strategy for supporting child care and early learning, by increasing the budget for child care by \$1 million annually over a period of five years, beginning in the 2007/08 fiscal year and ending in the 211/12 fiscal year when annual funding for child care totals \$10.3 million to address the following priorities:

- (1) increasing the support provided to low-income families by increasing the child care subsidy rate by 25% on December 1, 2007,
- (2) raising the maximum family income eligibility level for the child care subsidy to ensure that more Yukon families can benefit, effective December 1, 2007,
- (3) further supporting wages for child care workers, with the goal of reducing rates parents pay for child care,
- (4) facilitating increased training and education for child care workers,
- (5) enhancing support for children with disabilities,
- (6) collaborating with First Nations, community groups, non-governmental organizations and child care operators to provide an integrated system that better serves the educational and cultural needs of parents and their children in all Yukon communities,
- (7) creating more available spaces for children of all ages, especially for those younger than 18 months; and
- (8) facilitating the development of healthy families through increased support to at-risk families.

2. Mr. Mitchell (Motion #241)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to offer assistance to Bangladesh for humanitarian relief for the thousands of victims of the recent cyclone suffered by that country.

3. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #242)

THAT this House urges the Minister of Health and Social Services to honour the commitment he made on August 24, 2006 to re-open the Thomson Centre, which he referred to at that time as a pressing need, and to stop blaming previous governments for the delay in re-opening this facility, which has been in limbo for five years under this Government.

4. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #243)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to act immediately on the need for supportive housing for mental patients, in-patient services for individuals with acute mental illnesses, and increased mental health services to rural Yukon as identified in the Goldner Report in March 2006, and in accordance with announcements made by the Minister of Health and Social Services on August 30, 2006.

5. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #244)

THAT this House urges the Minister of Community Services to fast-track the development of a high-tech Yukon drivers' licence that meets international security standards and can be used in lieu of a passport for Yukon residents crossing the border between Canada and the United States.

6. Mr. Hardy (Motion #245)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to impose a moratorium on any uranium exploration or development activity, including the development of roads or other infrastructure to facilitate exploration, until Yukon people have been fully informed about the environmental, social and health impacts of uranium mining, and have been properly consulted about whether or not uranium mining should be permitted in the territory.

7. Mr. Hardy (Motion #246)

THAT this House urges the Government of Canada to end its practice of turning prisoners captured by Canadian military personnel over to Afghanistan authorities until there are effective safeguards in place to ensure that these prisoners will not be mistreated in Afghani custody.

MOTIONS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PAPERS

1. Mr. Mitchell (MPP #8)

THAT this House do issue an order for the Government of Yukon's investment policy, particularly any section that deals with what percentage of investment can be put into any one category or individual investment.