# YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION OF THE 32ND LEGISLATURE ORDER PAPER

No. 55

# Wednesday, November 14, 2007

#### **PRAYERS**

#### **DAILY ROUTINE**

Tributes
Introduction of Visitors
Tabling Returns and Documents
Presenting Reports of Committees
Petitions
Introduction of Bills
Notices of Motions
Ministerial Statements
Oral Question Period

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### OPPOSITION PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

#### **BILLS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT BILLS**

1. Bill #105 - An Act to Amend the Cooperation in Governance Act -Mr. Mitchell

#### MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

2. Mr. Hardy (Motion #226)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to develop and adopt an ethical-investment policy that will ensure that a significant ratio of the investments it makes on behalf of Yukon taxpayers are in funds or other financial instruments with a demonstrated commitment to promoting and protecting human rights, fair labour standards and sound environmental practices.

3. Mr. Fairclough (Motion #176)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to table the final draft of the Education Reform Project report, so that all Yukoners can have an opportunity to review and study an official version of the report rather than relying on other available editions.

### 4. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #213)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to immediately raise the minimum wage for all workers in the Yukon to ten dollars per hour and indexed to the cost of living.

#### **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.

#### **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 #106 Net Metering Act Mr. McRobb

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

# **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 #227)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to develop a Strategic Action Team within the Executive Council Office comprised of a team of professionals with expertise in preparing business proposals, establishing joint training initiatives, establishing financial systems and information technology links to assist Yukon First Nation governments in capacity development upon request.

#### 2. Mr. Mitchell (Motion #228)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to make representations to the Government of Canada on behalf of Yukon consumers that reflects:

- (1) that value of the Canadian dollar has increased dramatically in recent months and that prices in the marketplace have not reflected that change; and
- (2) that the Yukon Government will review its purchasing policy to reflect and acknowledge companies that are adjusting their prices to reflect the increased value of the Canadian dollar and encourages Canada to do likewise.

#### 3. Mr. Mitchell (Motion #229)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to make representation to the Government of Canada on behalf of Yukon employers and workers that reflects:

- (1) the current surplus in the Employment Insurance Fund is now some \$51 billion,
- (2) that this represents a deterrent to employers against job creation,
- (3) that this represents an excessive job tax for workers; and
- (4) that employment insurance rates should be reduced immediately.

#### 4. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #230)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to encourage and support the youth of the Yukon to become strong capable adults, by approaching education of the whole person and providing career counselling, employment opportunities, training, and social education that promotes both personal and spiritual development.

#### 5. Mr. Hardy (Motion #231)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to increase funding and establish long-term contribution agreements with non-governmental organizations dealing with women's issues so that:

- (1) the availability of shelter and support programs for women in domestic violence situations is assured,
- (2) the effects of Federal Government cutbacks in funding for Status of Women Canada and the elimination of its advocacy mandate can be offset,
- (3) effective advocacy is available to Yukon women dealing with legal, support, and custody questions; and
- (4) concerns of First Nation women including cultural identity rights are recognized and supported.

# 6. Mr. Hardy (Motion #232)

THAT this House calls upon the Government of Canada to express its disapproval of the imposition of martial law in Pakistan by immediately imposing an economic embargo on that country and by supporting the immediate expulsion of Pakistan from the Commonwealth of Nations until the current crisis is resolved and a freely-elected democratic government is in place.