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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. Cathers (Motion #143)

THAT a Select Committee on anti-smoking legislation be established;

THAT Hon. Brad Cathers be the Chair of the Committee;

THAT the honourable Members Darius Elias and John Edzerza be appointed to the Committee;

THAT Bill #104, entitled Smoke-free Places Act, be referred to the Committee;

THAT the Committee hold hearings for the purpose of receiving the views and opinions of Yukon citizens and interested groups on legislative options for banning smoking in public places;

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 fifteenth day of the next regular sitting of the Legislative Assembly:

- (a) its findings, if any, relating to public opinion on options for legislative change, and
- (b) 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 that 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 sitting of the Legislative Assembly;

THAT, during its review of public opinion on legislative options for banning smoking in public places, the Committee be empowered:

- (a) to invite officials from the Government of Yukon to appear as witnesses on technical matters,
- (b) to invite representatives of the Canadian Cancer Society to appear as witnesses on technical matters,
- (c) 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 at the public hearings,
- (d) to invite such other persons as it deems necessary to appear as witnesses on technical matters,
- (e) to hold public hearings,
- (f) 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.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Third Reading)

1. Bill #4 - Third Appropriation Act, 2006-07 - 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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

GOVERNMENT BILLS

- 1. Bill #6 First Appropriation Act 2007-08 -Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 2. Bill #32 An Act to Amend the Ombudsman Act and the Public Service Group Insurance Benefit Plan Act
 -Hon. Mr. Hart
- 3. Bill #33 Act to Amend the Waters Act -Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 4. Bill #34 Act to Amend the Liquor Act -Hon. Mr. Kenyon

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. Mitchell (Motion #147)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by accurately representing the positions of the other parties or Members of this Assembly.

2. Mr. Mitchell (Motion #148)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by ensuring its Ministers are available to respond fully to questions asked by reporters.

3. Mr. Mitchell (Motion #149)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by avoiding the repetitive practice of finger-pointing at previous government that no longer exist.

4. Mr. McRobb (Motion #150)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government and uphold the tradition of this House by not refusing to respond to the essence of questions during Question Period.

5. Mr. McRobb (Motion #151)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government and uphold the tradition of this House by not refusing to provide contracts and agreements involving the Yukon Government when requested to do so.

6. Mr. McRobb (Motion #152)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by not refusing to consider the position of Yukoners who sign a Petition presented in this Assembly before making a final decision on matters identified in the Petition.

7. Mr. Elias (Motion #153)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by ensuring its Ministers do not engage in unnecessary repetition of speeches during budget debate in order to allow all Members to make more productive use of the limited time available.

8. Mr. Elias (Motion #154)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government and uphold the tradition of this House by not refusing to comment on issues asked by the media or by deferring the questions to public servants.

9. Mr. Elias (Motion #155)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to abide by the long-standing agreement between House Leaders that Tributes presented in the Assembly should be respected as Tributes and not transformed into political statements, as exampled again on June 5, 2007.

10. Mr. Fairclough (Motion #156)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government and uphold the tradition of this House by providing a breakdown for a budget line item when requested during the line-item examination of the budget in Committee of the Whole.

11. Mr. Fairclough (Motion #157)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government and uphold the tradition of this House by not refusing to answer questions during the examination of the budget in Committee of the Whole.

12. Mr. Fairclough (Motion #158)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by respecting the service of the Assembly to the public and by availing itself to questioning from other Members of the House until 5:30 p.m. each sitting day.

13. Mr. Inverarity (Motion #159)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government and uphold the tradition of this House by not refusing to table documents and reports that are under its jurisdiction and are in the public interest.

14. Mr. Inverarity (Motion #160)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by ensuring the Opposition parties are first provided with all budget briefing material requests made during departmental briefing meetings before calling that department for budget debate, as it failed to do with the departments of Highways and Public Works and Economic Development.

15. Mr. Inverarity (Motion #161)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to live up to its commitment to be an open and accountable government by not invoking closure of debate on Private Members' Bills.

16. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #162)

THAT this House urges the Minister of Justice to work with her counterpart in the Government of Canada to ensure that sufficient financial and human resources are available on a stable and predictable basis to meet the needs of Yukon people for Legal Aid services.

17. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #163)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to evaluate the Department of Education's home tutoring program and, if the result of the evaluation warrants, to continue the program with assured and expanded funding.

MOTIONS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PAPERS

1. Mr. Edzerza (MPP #4)

THAT this House do issue an order for the return of the following documents:

- (1) Review of Services to Children in Care by the Child Welfare League of Canada, 2002;
- (2) Their Future Today: Yukon Residential Care Review by J. Anglin, 2001.