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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.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

1. Bill #8 - Second Appropriation Act 2007-08
-Hon. Mr. Taylor
Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Hart
2. Bill #36 - Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
3. Bill #37 - Legislative Assembly Retirement Allowances Act, 2007
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
4. Bill #44 - Act to Amend the Income Tax Act (2007)
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
5. Bill #7 - Fourth Appropriation Act, 2006-07
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
6. Bill #38 - Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act
-Hon. Mr. Hart
7. Bill #35 - Act to Amend the Subdivision Act
-Hon. Mr. Lang

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. Nordick (Motion #183)

THAT this House urges the Government of Canada to give due consideration to building in Yukon the world-class, cutting-edge Arctic research station that was announced in the Speech from the Throne on October 16, 2007, in conjunction with the Government of Yukon's establishment of a Cold Climate Research Centre of Excellence for the North at Yukon College and its community campuses.

2. Mr. Hardy (Motion #184)

THAT this House urges the Minister of Finance to use whatever portion of the Yukon Government's \$100-million financial surplus is necessary to ensure:

- (1) that social assistance rates will be raised significantly to reflect the increase in the cost of living since the last time the rates were adjusted, without triggering an unwarranted increase in rental costs for those on the lower rungs of the economic ladder,
- (2) that Yukoners afflicted with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder will finally receive the level of housing and support services they require,
- (3) that safe, clean housing is available for all Yukon people who need it, regardless of their ability to pay; and
- (4) that Yukon youth who need a safe place to live will have access to emergency shelter and support programs this winter.

3. Mr. Hardy (Motion #185)

THAT this House urges the Minister of the Environment to immediately release the interim State of the Environment reports from 2003 and 2004, which have been in the Minister's possession for more than a year, and to table the 2005 State of the Environment Report, as he is required to do, during the 2007 Fall Sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

4. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #186)

THAT this House urges the Minister responsible for the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board to:

- (1) immediately introduce amendments to the *Workers' Compensation Act* that enshrine the nine issues that both stakeholder groups and the YWCH&SB directors jointly identified as priorities in April, 2007; and
- (2) bring forward a legislative response to the remainder of the recommendations that arose from the extensive consultation on amendments to the Act.

5. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #187)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to review the staffing complement at the Whitehorse Correctional Centre with a particular view to medical services, to assure that:

- (1) inmates have access to full-time nursing staff on a regular basis to facilitate their appointments to appropriate medical treatment,
- (2) all medications are dispensed and managed by properly-qualified staff; and
- (3) all correctional staff at the Centre have first aid training that meets the requirements of a large institution dealing with possible emergencies.

6. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #188)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to exercise caution in its approach to the moose tick infestation affecting wild elk in the territory, by exploring all other reasonable means of controlling the infestation before considering any large-scale cull of the animals affected.

7. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #189)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to end its silence on the results of the *Children's Act* Review without further delay, by making its position clear on recommendations that have been discussed at various consultations, and to come forward with legislation that responds to the needs of Yukon children, especially First Nations children who are the majority of children in the care of this Government.