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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.
  9. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #251)  
 THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to draft and table legislation based on the recommendations of the Select Committee on Anti-Smoking Legislation, and the feedback the Committee received from Yukon citizens.

**GOVERNMENT BILLS**  
**(Second Reading)**

- 1. Bill #9 - Third Appropriation Act, 2007-08  
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 2. Bill #10 - Interim Supply Appropriation Act, 2008-09  
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 3. Bill #11 - First Appropriation Act, 2008-09  
-Hon. Mr. Fentie  
Adjourned debate: Mr. Mitchell
- 4. Bill #53 - Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax 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

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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**BILLS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT BILLS**

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

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**WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

1. Mr. McRobb (November 29, 2007)

Addressed to: Hon. Mr. Fentie, Minister of Finance

On what date was the Yukon Government's public web site updated to make available the internal government audit, officially entitled "Report on the Audit of Contributions" dated January 2007, prepared by the Government Audit Services Branch? **(WQ#1)**

2. Mr. Elias (December 11, 2007)

Addressed to: Minister of Environment

Does the Government of Yukon support the Kyoto Protocol? **(WQ#2)**

3. Mr. Hardy (December 13, 2007)

Addressed to: Minister of Justice

Will the Minister table the following information concerning missing persons cases and unsolved murders in the Yukon:

1. the number of persons reported missing in the Yukon but not located, over the past thirty years,
2. the number of persons murdered in the Yukon whose cases have not been solved over the past thirty years; and
3. the policy of the RCMP on missing persons and unsolved murders, particularly how long the cases remain open and worked on before they are closed. **(WQ #3)**

4. Mr. Edzerza (December 13, 2007)

Addressed to: Minister of Health and Social Services

Will the Minister table the following information concerning the Young Offenders' Facility:

1. monthly statistics for the past twelve months on the numbers of residents/clients, their sex, and ages,
2. the number of full-time, part-time and casual staff now working at the Facility,
3. the annual cost to the Yukon public of operating the Facility; and
4. the type of programming and counselling that is available to residents/clients of the Facility. **(WQ #4)**

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

1. Mr. Mitchell (Motion #322)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to:

- (1) expedite implementation of proposed Social Assistance reforms; and
- (2) accelerate the process to have new Social Assistance rates in place to benefit those Yukoners in need before the end of the 2008 Spring Sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

2. Mr. Mitchell (Motion #323)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work co-operatively with the Whitehorse Youth Coalition, and other stakeholders and after consulting with First Nations, the general public, and all non-governmental organizations who currently provide services to youth to implement a permanent youth shelter in the City of Whitehorse.

3. Mr. McRobb (Motion #324)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to recognize the merit of Bills introduced in this House by Opposition Private Members by indicating it will support Bill #102, An Act to Amend the Yukon Human Rights Act, and Bill #103, Apology Act, both standing in the name of the Member for Porter Creek South.

4. Mr. Elias (Motion #325)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to address the health concerns of northern residents as a preventative measure to rule out bacterial infection as a cancer causing agent in the community of Old Crow by:

- (1) testing the residents of Old Crow for the presence of cancer causing bacterium that has been found in other Arctic communities,
- (2) performing a study on the occurrence of *Helicobacter pylori* bacterium infection among the residents of Old Crow; and
- (3) providing appropriate health and safety measures to ensure that Old Crow residents are free from cancer causing bacteria..

5. Mr. Fairclough (Motion #326)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to take the findings of the Education Reform Project Final Report back to the Yukon public and use the feedback received to draft amendments to the *Education Act* for presentation to the Legislative Assembly by the 2008 Fall Sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

6. Mr. Inverarity (Motion #327)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to recognize the merit of Bills introduced in this House by Opposition Private Members by indicating it will support Bill #106, Net Metering Act, standing in the name of the Member for Kluane.

## 7. Mr. Inverarity (Motion #328)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to conduct public consultations on the *Human Rights Act* and bring forward amendments in the 2008 Fall Sitting of the Legislative Assembly that:

- (1) ensures the *Human Rights Act* is more consistent with other jurisdictions in Canada,
- (2) extends the timeline for filing a Human Rights complaint; and
- (3) makes the existing legislation, that is now 21 years old, more relevant when it comes to protecting and individual's human rights.

## 8. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #329)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to introduce legislation during the 2008 Spring Sitting of the Legislative Assembly to allow for appointment of an independent Children's Advocate to represent the interests of children in any legal or administrative proceeding that might affect them.

## 9. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #330)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Housing Corporation to cease and desist its efforts to take over the assets of the Whitehorse Housing Co-operative, and to work in good faith with the directors of the co-op to end the current receivership and allow the directors to resume direct operation of the co-op without further interference or obstruction.

## 10. Mr. Hardy (Motion #331)

THAT this House expresses its disapproval of the refusal by Government Members of the Public Accounts Committee to conduct public hearings into the Yukon Government's investments in asset-backed commercial paper, whereby Yukon people have been denied the opportunity to hold their Government accountable for investments that have put \$36.5 million worth of public funds at risk.

## 11. Mr. Hardy (Motion #332)

THAT this House:

- (1) will not entertain a motion to relieve the Member for Copperbelt from his duties as Chair of the Public Accounts Committee; and
- (2) directs the Member for Copperbelt to honour his responsibilities as Chair of the Public Accounts Committee in order to fulfil the Committee's important mandate of scrutinizing spending policies and practices of Yukon Government departments, corporations and agencies in the best interests of all Yukon people.

## 12. Mr. Hardy (Motion #333)

THAT this House urges the Premier to acknowledge the importance and complexity of managing the financial resources of the Government of Yukon, by appointing a Minister of Finance who can devote full attention to this responsibility without the additional burden of the duties associated with the office of Premier of Yukon.

## 13. Mr. Hardy (Motion #334)

THAT this House stands in solidarity with the people of Tibet in their ongoing struggle for self-determination, and calls on the Government of Canada to express to the leadership of the People's Republic of China the deep desire of the Canadian people to see a peaceful

reconciliation between Chinese authorities and the Tibetan people, through their representative, His Holiness the Dalai Lama, that fully respects the human rights of the Tibetan people and allows them to maintain their unique Tibetan religion, language, and cultural identity.