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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. 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.

4. 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 nongovernmental 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.
- 5. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #357)

THAT this House urges the Department of Health and Social Services to launch a new health promotion initiative to:

- (1) further assist Yukoners who wish to quit smoking by funding a portion of the cost of nicotine replacement therapies; and
- (2) work in partnership with the Motor Vehicles Branch to provide drivers with information on the increased health impacts of smoking within the confined space of a motor vehicle.
- 6. Hon. Ms. Taylor (Motion #499)

THAT this House urges the Environment critics for the Official Opposition and the Third Party to accept the Yukon Government's invitation to attend the Climate Leaders Summit in Poznan, Poland, as observers, during the dates of December 8-12, 2008.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

- 1. Bill #54 Electoral District Boundaries Act -Hon. Mr. Fentie
- 2. Bill #60 Act to Amend the Judicature Act -Hon. Ms. Horne
- 3. Bill #57 Act to Amend the Miners Lien Act -Hon. Mr. Lang
- 4. Bill #63 Act to Amend the Seniors Income Supplement Act -Hon. Mr. Hart
- 5. Bill #55 Act to Amend the Social Assistance Act -Hon. Mr. Hart
- 6. Bill #56 Act to Amend the Territorial Lands (Yukon) Act -Hon. Mr. Cathers
- 7. Bill #12 Second Appropriation Act, 2008-09 -Hon. Mr. Fentie

(Third Reading)

- 1. Bill #61 Act to Amend the Municipal Act -Hon. Mr. Lang
- 2. Bill #58 Act to Amend the Quartz Mining Act -Hon. Mr. Cathers
- 3. Bill #62 Act to Amend the Animal Protection 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 #105 - An Act to Amend the Cooperation in Governance Act -Mr. Mitchell

Adjourned debate: Mr. Nordick

- 4. Bill #107 Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act -Mr. Hardy
- 5. Bill #108 Legislative Renewal Act -Mr. Hardy
- Bill #109 Young Worker Protection Act

 -Mr. Cardiff
 Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Cathers

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Bill #59 - Forest Resources Act -Hon. Mr. Cathers

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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 (April 29, 2008)

Addressed to the Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate

Will the Minister table the following information concerning the 2008/09 Main Estimates for the Women's Directorate:

- (1) plans for the Family Focus Housing project that include location, size, and total cost,
- (2) the type of programming and counseling support services to be offered to tenants in the Family Focus Housing,
- (3) the eligibility criteria for the project's tenancy; including family income, number of children, social conditions, criminal records, pet restrictions, and family history of violence,
- (4) the expected completion date for the Family Focus Housing; and
- (5) how the Directorate will assure tenants and the public that the project will not become a ghetto. (WQ#5)
- 4. Mr. Hardy (April 29, 2008)

Addressed to the Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate

Will the Minister please table the following information concerning the 2008/09 Main Estimates for the Women's Directorate:

- (1) a list of recipients, a breakdown of the amounts transferred, and the objectives of projects for funds transferred in the line item "Various Women's Groups",
- (2) the evaluation process used for the various women's groups for measuring success,
- (3) justification for the difference in amounts transferred to various women's groups and the amount transferred to the Victoria Faulkner Women's Centre; and,
- (4) the guidelines for transfer payments.

(WQ#6)

5. Mr. Hardy (April 29, 2008)

Addressed to the Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate

Will the Minister table the following information concerning the 2008/09 Main Estimates for the Women's Directorate:

(1) how the Directorate has met its program objectives over the past year, as listed on page 16-6; and

- (2) how the Directorate measures its success in meeting its program objectives. (WQ#7)
- 6. Mr. Hardy (April 29, 2008)

Addressed to the Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate

Will the Minister table the following information concerning the 08/09 Main Estimates for the Women's Directorate:

- (1) a progress report on the Northern Strategy Emergency Shelter Feasibility Study,
- (2) the criteria for the evaluation of the Long Term Public Education Campaign on the Prevention of Violence Against Women and Children,
- (3) the process for evaluation and the results of the evaluations of the projects initiated by Aboriginal women to address violence prevention in their communities in 2007-08; and,
- (4) the process for evaluation and the results of the evaluations of the projects funded in 2007-08 under the Women's Equality Fund. (WQ#8)
- 7. Mr. Hardy (April 30, 2008)

Addressed to the Minister responsible for the Public Service Commission

Will the Minister please provide responses to the following questions related to the 2008/09 Main Estimates for the Public Service Commission:

- (1) what is the Public Service Commission doing to reduce workplace injuries and lower the Workers' Compensation assessment rate the Government pays,
- (2) does the Government believe it is on-track with respect to recruitment and succession planning, and that we will have enough well-trained employees to maintain excellent public services as the current employees reach retirement age,
- (3) how long is the project involving people with disabilities who look after the Government's document shredding and recycling scheduled to run, and what plans are there to provide opportunities for people with disabilities in the public service,
- (4) why has the Public Service Commission taken the position that the right to join unions doesn't extend to certain categories, such as teachers-on-call and emergency fire-fighters,
- (5) is the Minister prepared to re-visit that position for example, if teachers-on-call make another attempt at union certification,
- (6) how many grievances are currently on the books, and what is being done to clear up any backlog? (WQ#9)

NOTICE PAPER

NOTICES OF MOTION GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Hon. Mr. Hart (Motion #575)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to engage Yukoners in a dialogue on the findings and recommendations of <u>The Yukon Health Care Review</u>, a report that reviewed the current and long-term sustainability over the next ten years of the public health care system in Yukon,

THAT a Steering Committee on Health Care Sustainability comprised of health care and medical professionals, and finance and First Nation officials, be established to undertake this dialogue with Yukoners and prepare a report on "What They Heard"; and

THAT an Oversight Committee on Health Care Sustainability comprised of the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Health and Social Services be established with an invitation being extended for one representative from the Official Opposition, the Third Party, and Yukon First Nations to participate on the committee and oversee the work of the Steering Committee on Health Care Sustainability including receiving the report on "What They Heard" for ultimate presentation to the Yukon Legislative Assembly in the 2009 Spring Sitting.

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Mr. McRobb (Motion #576)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to ensure there is a process for meaningful public consultation on developing the regulations for the Forest Resources Act, Bill #59, by providing two rounds of consultation, the first to collect input and the second to review and collect comments on the draft regulations.

3. Mr. Inverarity (Motion #577)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to realize the importance of establishing and implementing the regulations as soon as possible for the *Liquor Act* amendments adopted in the 2008 Spring Sitting.

4. Mr. Edzerza (Motion #578)

THAT this House urges the Minister of Health and Social Services to immediately act on recommendations made many times in the past to raise the food allowance rates for families on social assistance in the Yukon without waiting for another review.

5. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #579)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to make the safety of travellers and support of commercial trucking a priority on the Alaska Highway from Burwash Landing to Beaver Creek by allocating funds to improving it.

6. Mr. Cardiff (Motion #580)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to make the safety of travellers and support of commercial trucking a priority on the Dempster Highway by allocating funds to improving it.