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GOVERNMENT PRIVATE MEMBERS BUSINESS

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Mr. Hassard (Motion #430)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work collaboratively with the Government of Canada for funding to improve our highways, construct new schools, expand the current hospital, and to enable investment in energy, transportation and communication infrastructure.

2. Ms. McLeod (Motion #409)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to continue to implement the housing and land development commitments outlined in the Yukon Party's 2011 election platform, Moving Forward Together, by developing a Housing Action Plan that builds on strategic investments and addresses the needs of Yukoners for a variety of housing options.

Moved in amendment by Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King:

THAT Motion #409 be amended by deleting the phrase "continue to implement the housing and land development commitments outlined in the Yukon Party's 2011 election platform, Moving Forward Together, by developing"

and replacing it with the phrase "develop and implement".

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Kent

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion #119)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to develop and implement a Yukon Water Strategy that will help provide long-term direction for economically and environmentally responsible development, management, and use of water in Yukon and establish principles to guide future decision making.

2. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #211)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to continue to:

- (1) respect the fact that there are many hundreds of families in Yukon that depend upon mineral exploration in order to make their mortgage payments, feed themselves, and ensure a proper education and a bright future for their children; and
- (2) support responsible mineral exploration and responsible mining as key elements of a strong, diversified Yukon economy.

3. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion #212)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work with industry, First Nations, and non-governmental organizations to:

- (1) attract investment to Yukon; and
- (2) encourage the development of responsible economic projects.

4. Hon. Mr. Kent (Motion #213)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with Yukon College, the Yukon Mine Training Association, and the mining and exploration industries to train and develop a skilled work force made up of Yukon residents to meet the current and future needs of the mining and resource sectors.

5. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #215)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work with the Yukon Water Board and the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Board to improve Yukon's assessment and regulatory processes.

6. Hon. Mr. Pasloski (Motion #216)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to preserve and maintain the Free Entry System of mineral allocation in Yukon.

7. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion #219)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work with Public Safety Canada and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to:

- (1) implement the new twenty-year agreement with the Government of Canada for the provision of police services,
- (2) support the RCMP in the provision of a professional, effective and efficient territorial police service that is responsive to the needs of all Yukon communities,
- (3) address street crime; and
- (4) implement the recommendations of the Sharing Common Ground report.

8. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion #241)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to implement the 2012 Aishihik Bison Herd Management Plan, which includes allowing a Fall hunt in selected areas, reducing the cost of the seal from fifty dollars to ten dollars, and maintaining hunting as the primary management tool.

9. Hon. Mr. Kent (Motion #242)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to implement initiatives that will enhance the safety of oil-fired appliances, including regulatory and/or legislative changes, public awareness and training initiatives for industry, based on the report of the Oil-Fired Appliance Working Group and input received from Yukon citizens, municipal and First Nation governments, industry and other interested groups during the community tour that took place in September and early October 2012.

10. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion #376)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to recognize the important role that arts and culture play in contributing to the social and economic life of Yukon by providing assistance to arts and cultural organizations and Yukon artisans and by promoting exhibits, concerts, festivals, and multicultural events and programs.

11. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion #403)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to assist Mothers Against Drunk Driving – Whitehorse in engaging other governments and agencies to implement a public awareness campaign with both general awareness advertising regarding the Report Impaired Drivers Program, and targeted signage focused on students celebrating graduation, boaters, and snowmobile operators at the Skagway and Haines summits.

12. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #431)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to invite officials from the Yukon Hospital Corporation to appear as witnesses in Committee of the Whole during the 2013 Spring Sitting.

13. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion #433)

THAT a Select Committee Regarding the Risks and Benefits of Hydraulic Fracturing be established,

THAT Patti McLeod be Chair of the Committee,

THAT the Chair of the Committee have a deliberative vote on all matters before the Committee,

THAT the honourable members Hon. Currie Dixon, Stacey Hassard, Jim Tredger, Sandy Silver, and Darius Elias be appointed to the Committee,

THAT the Committee be mandated to:

- (1) gain a science-based understanding of the technical, environmental, economic, and regulatory aspects of hydraulic fracturing,
- (2) gain an understanding of Yukon's current legislation and regulations relevant to the oil and gas industry,
- (3) consider the potential risks and benefits of hydraulic fracturing if it were used in Yukon,
- (4) facilitate an informed public dialogue for the purpose of sharing information on the potential risks and benefits of hydraulic fracturing, as well as gathering input from the

Yukon public, First Nations, stakeholders, and stakeholder groups including non-governmental organizations,

- (5) hold public hearings in the two communities most likely to be affected by oil and gas development, Watson Lake and Old Crow, and in other Yukon communities as deemed appropriate by the Committee; and
- (6) consider whether hydraulic fracturing can be done safely if properly regulated;

THAT the Committee have the power to call for persons, papers and records and to sit during inter-sessional periods,

THAT in exercising its power to call for persons, papers and records the Committee may invite:

- (1) officials from the Government of Yukon to appear as witnesses on technical matters,
- (2) officials from other North American jurisdictions with experience in the regulation of hydraulic fracturing to appear as witnesses on technical matters,
- (3) experts in matters related to hydraulic fracturing to appear as witnesses,
- (4) representatives of Yukon First Nation governments and Yukon municipalities to appear as witnesses; and
- (5) stakeholders, and interested parties including non-governmental organizations and members of the public to appear as witnesses, or provide input through other methods to be determined by the Committee,

THAT the Committee report to the Legislative Assembly its recommendations regarding a policy approach to hydraulic fracturing in Yukon that is in the public interest, including:

- (1) its findings, if any, regarding the potential risks and benefits of hydraulic fracturing and whether allowing use of this technique is in the public interest; and
- (2) its recommendations, if any, regarding any steps that should be taken to responsibly regulate hydraulic fracturing should its use in Yukon be allowed,

THAT the Committee report to the House its findings and recommendations no later than the 2014 Spring Sitting of the Legislative Assembly,

THAT if the House is not sitting at such time as the Committee is prepared to present its report, the Committee Chair shall transmit the Committee's report to the Speaker, who shall transmit the report to all Members of the Legislative Assembly and then, not more than one day later, release the report to the public; 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 #52 - Act to Amend the Housing Corporation Act
-Hon. Mr. Kent
2. Bill #54 - Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act
-Hon. Ms. Taylor
3. Bill #57 - Oil-Fired Appliance Safety Statutory Amendment Act
-Hon. Ms. Taylor

BILLS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT BILLS
(Second Reading)

1. Bill #1 - Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right
- Ms. McLeod
2. Bill #101 - Disclosure Protection Act
- Mr. Elias

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Bill #8 - Third Appropriation Act, 2012-13
-Hon. Mr. Pasloski
2. Bill #10 - First Appropriation Act, 2013-14
-Hon. Mr. Pasloski
3. Bill #56 - Movable Soccer Goal Safety Act
-Hon. Mr. Kent
4. Bill #55 - International Interests in Mobile Equipment (Aircraft Equipment) Act
-Hon. Ms. Taylor

NOTICE PAPER

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Mr. Hassard (Motion #442)

THAT this House urges the State of Alaska, the Government of the United States, the Alaska Board of Fisheries and the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council to continue to undertake management actions, including regulation, to ensure that an adequate number of Chinook Salmon are able to return to Yukon to spawn.