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ORDERS OF THE DAY

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. 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.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

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

BILLS WAITING ASSENT

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

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

1. Ms. Hanson (April 4, 2013)

Addressed to the Premier

Will the Premier provide a copy of the Yukon-Shaanxi sister province agreement and any related appendices to the Members of the Legislative Assembly, and if so, when? **(WQ#4)**

NOTICE PAPER**MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

1. Ms. Hanson (Motion #447)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to uphold the established practice that Select Committees of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, including the Select Committee Regarding the Risks and Benefits of Hydraulic Fracturing, shall conduct their business and make recommendations by consensus.

2. Ms. Stick (Motion #448)

THAT this House urges Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada to work in collaboration with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission for the creation of a complete historical record of the Indian Residential School system and its legacy, a key element of the mandate of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

3. Ms. Stick (Motion #449)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to immediately consult with the public to determine whether sub-section 50(1) of the *Employment Standards Act*, the so-called probationary period which allows workers to be terminated without cause or notice, should be amended from six to three months during the 2013 Fall Sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

4. Ms. Stick (Motion #450)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to:

- (1) amplify its cooperation with the Yukon Child Care Association to increase the availability of qualified Early Childhood Educators across Yukon,
- (2) work collaboratively with the Yukon Child Care Association as a key stakeholder in all programming for pre-school children,
- (3) recognize the Yukon Child Care Association as a local non-governmental organization,
- (4) recognize the 39 year history and good volunteer-driven work that the Yukon Child Care Association has done; and
- (5) recognize and support the Yukon Child Care Association's goal to create the best possible circle of care around families and their very young children.

5. Mr. Elias (Motion #451)

THAT this House urges the Minister of Economic Development to direct his Department's new Information Communication and Technology Directorate to specifically evaluate the establishment of a high speed pan-Yukon fibre internet backbone, running from the upcoming global Arctic fibre connection in the Beaufort Sea, through as many small Yukon communities as possible, and terminating in Whitehorse.