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GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion No. 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.
- 2. Hon. Mr. Kent (Motion No. 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.

3. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion No. 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.

4. Hon. Mr. Pasloski (Motion No. 216)

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

5. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 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.

6. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 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.

7. Hon. Mr. Kent (Motion No. 487)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to ensure there is a continuing and abundant supply of clean and affordable power in Yukon in order to promote responsible and sustainable economic development, by:

- (1) directing the Yukon Development Corporation, as the agency designated by legislation as responsible for assuring a continuing and adequate supply of energy in Yukon, to commence the research and planning of a new hydroelectricity dam, based on the principles of scalability, environmental responsibility and First Nations engagement, as the centrepiece of a clean power future for Yukon;
- (2) exploring additional renewable sources such as wind and biomass as potential complements to the existing hydro-based grid;
- (3) exploring alternative sources that are cleaner and more affordable than diesel to facilitate the reduction of diesel consumption in those communities not connected to the existing hydro-based grid;
- (4) ensuring there is a continuing supply of fossil fuels as a backup source to the hydro system and:
- (5) pursuing sources that are cleaner and more affordable than diesel for backup wherever possible.

8. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion No. 562)

THAT this House urges the Government of Canada, after receiving legal clarity from the Supreme Court of Canada, to consult with all provinces and territories on options for reforming the Senate of Canada.

9. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 658)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon, in recognition of the Yukon Party's platform commitments to promote Yukon's tourism economy, to continue to study the technical and economic business case of further capital upgrades, including paving the runway at the Dawson City Airport, as part of the Government of Yukon's work with Air North, Yukon's airline, and Holland America to promote tourism to Yukon and the Klondike region through the use of tourism cooperative marketing agreements and strategic marketing campaigns.

10. Hon. Mr. Pasloski (Motion No. 755)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to encourage parents, teachers, and Yukon's community as a whole to promote financial literacy and responsibility in Yukon's youth from an early age.

11. Hon. Mr. Pasloski (Motion No. 851)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to consult with settled and non-settled Yukon First Nations, as well as settled and non-settled trans-boundary aboriginal peoples, in accordance with land claims agreements, statutory obligations and the common law.

12. Hon. Mr. Pasloski (Motion No. 852)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work closely with First Nation leadership and the Yukon RCMP through the enhanced First Nation policing model to support the Kwanlin Dün First Nation in their community safety planning efforts aimed at building wellness and security in the McIntyre subdivision.

13. Hon. Mr. Graham (Motion No. 853)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to improve access to childcare by making the following changes to the Yukon child care subsidy funding program eligibility criteria:

- (1) increasing the income threshold by 5 percent;
- (2) increasing the maximum child care subsidy by 10 percent per eligible family;
- (3) decreasing the parent contribution rate by 3 percent for those families that exceed the eligible income threshold; and
- (4) re-wording the references to the applicant's ability to pay.

14. Hon. Mr. Kent (Motion No. 855)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work with First Nations to develop recreation lots in various areas in Yukon.

15. Hon. Mr. Kent (Motion No. 856)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with the Yukon Hospital Corporation to ensure that there will be uninterrupted ambulance service from the Riverdale station during and following the hospital expansion.

16. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion No. 857)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to invest in firefighting response capacity by purchasing new equipment, such as the four new fire trucks purchased in 2014 which are now serving Ibex Valley, Tagish, Golden Horn and West Dawson.

17. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 859)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to support the Community Wellness Court and the Justice Wellness Centre in responding to the needs of victims and in addressing recidivism and reoffending by extending the funding for an additional three years and looking for opportunities for partnership with other levels of government.

18. Hon. Mr. Istchenko (Motion No. 862)

THAT this House urges the Yukon government to continue functional planning on Yukon roads in order that Yukon is prepared for the growing demands for transportation infrastructure to support development within the territory.

19. Hon. Mr. Istchenko (Motion No. 863)

THAT this House urges the Yukon government to continue to work with its key stakeholders, the United States government, the Canadian government and its Alaskan counterparts in order to ensure Shakwak funding is reinstated to the United States federal transportation bill.

20. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion No. 864)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue its commitment to employment equity by providing programs and supports through the workplace diversity employment office that have helped make the Yukon government one of the leaders among Canadian governments in assisting job seekers with disabilities.

21. Hon. Ms. Taylor (Motion No. 874)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to expand program offerings and work with communities in support of the Healthy Families Yukon and Learning Together programs.

22. Hon. Ms. Taylor (Motion No. 875)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with the Government of Canada and industry stakeholders to create the Employer Sponsored Training stream of the Canada Job Grant in support of Yukon's labour market.

23. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 876)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work in cooperation with Air North, industry partners, and cultural sector representatives in support of the Yukon government's commitment to promote Yukon as an attractive year-round destination during Winterlude.

24. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 878)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to work in cooperation with the Government of Canada and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to advance construction of a new RCMP detachment in Faro, in keeping with the public safety needs of the community.

25. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 879)

THAT this House acknowledges the importance of Yukon's network of community-based museums in preserving, sharing, and celebrating the territory's rich heritage, now and into the future.

26. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 880)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to provide services to child and youth victims and witnesses of crime by coordinating multi-disciplinary and inter-agency partners who provide services and programs, by applying national best practices for child advocacy centres to Yukon's northern context, by providing a child advocacy centre where a collaborative team of professionals work in a child-friendly setting to help a child or youth victim or witness navigate the criminal justice system, and by partnering with law enforcement, child protection, prosecutors, medical professionals, victim services and counseling services to provide an integrated support system for young victims and witnesses of crime and their families.

27. Hon. Mr. Kent (Motion No. 919)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to responsibly develop Yukon's oil and gas industry, provide jobs and opportunities for Yukoners who are in Yukon and those currently working in other jurisdictions in this industry, and work to become a net contributor to Canada by:

- (1) developing a robust and advanced oil and gas regulatory regime;
- (2) being open to applications for hydraulic fracturing in the Liard Basin, less than two percent of Yukon's area, but only with the support of affected First Nations;
- (3) continuing a public dialogue to inform and educate Yukoners about oil and gas; and
- (4) performing the research and scientific and economic studies outlined in the recommendations from the Select Committee Regarding the Risks and Benefits of Hydraulic Fracturing so that additional baseline data and information is available.

28. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion No. 920)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to foster more efficient, globally competitive capital markets, increase protection for investors and strengthen national capacity to identify and manage capital markets-related systemic risks by signing onto the cooperative capital markets regulatory system.

29. Hon. Ms. Taylor (Motion No. 957)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to play a key leadership role regionally and nationally to address the problem of violence against women in all forms by:

- (1) reaffirming the call for a nationally coordinated effort to address the large numbers of missing and murdered indigenous women and girls in Canada;
- (2) responding to aboriginal women's recommendations on leadership, wellness and violence prevention;
- (3) supporting First Nation governments and aboriginal women's organizations to develop community-based projects designed and developed by and for aboriginal women;
- (4) supporting women to navigate and make decisions on issues that have legal implications; and,
- (5) continuing to work on the finalization of a justice framework on violence against aboriginal women and girls with their national partners and with input from community and First Nation organizations across Canada.

30. Hon. Mr. Dixon (Motion No. 959)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue working with the Yukon Outdoor Sports Complex Association to develop the proposed soccer fields and running track in Whistle Bend in order to address a sports infrastructure gap in Yukon and provide a valuable public investment for children and other users.

31. Hon. Mr. Nixon (Motion No. 975)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to establish a working group including representatives from the Community Midwives Association Yukon, the Yukon Medical Association, the Yukon Registered Nurses Association, the Government of Yukon and other stakeholders that will examine the regulation of midwifery in Yukon by reviewing previous studies, conducting a cross-jurisdictional survey and supporting a conference to inform concerned Yukoners about the merits and challenges associated with midwifery.

32. Hon. Mr. Istchenko (Motion No. 991)

THAT this House urges the Department of National Defence, in conjunction with a contribution of up to \$250,000 from the Government of Yukon, to construct a new single-storey Whitehorse cadet camp multi-purpose building in order to provide a year-round facility to support the training and operations of the 2685 "The Yukon Regiment" Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps, 551 Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron and 1st Canadian Ranger Patrol Group Junior Rangers.

33. Hon. Mr. Pasloski (Motion No. 1013)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to:

- (1) conduct a thorough review of the recommendations in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's final report that fall within Yukon's jurisdiction in relation to the current programs, actions and initiatives being undertaken by Yukon government departments in order to assess the work that has been done to date in meeting these recommendations and to identify areas where more work is required; and
- (2) present this review to Yukon First Nation governments and Yukon communities as part of the engagement process to determine future steps that can be taken by the respective parties in implementing Yukon's response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's final report.

34. Hon. Mr. Cathers (Motion No. 1075)

THAT this House urges the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, officials from the Land Planning branch, and the MLA for Lake Laberge to invite residents of the Hotsprings Road area to a meeting to discuss their concerns related to the zoning of land owned by Takhini Hot Springs Ltd. and associated companies, and discuss possible options for responding to those concerns.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

- 1. Bill No. 95 Student Financial Assistance Act, 2016
 - -Hon. Mr. Graham
- 2. Bill No. 98 Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2016
 - -Hon. Mr. Cathers
- 3. Bill No. 200 Technical Amendments Act, 2016
 - Hon. Mr. Cathers
- 4. Bill No. 21 Third Appropriation Act, 2015-16
 - -Hon. Mr. Pasloski
- 5. Bill No. 99 Second Income Tax Amendments Act, 2016
 - -Hon. Mr. Pasloski
- 6. Bill No. 97 Chartered Professional Accountants Act
 - -Hon. Mr. Dixon
- 7. Bill No. 201 Act to Amend the Placer Mining Act and the Quartz Mining Act
 - -Hon. Mr. Kent
- 8. Bill No. 96 Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 2016
 - -Hon. Mr. Pasloski
- 9. Bill No. 202 Act to Amend the Education Act
 - -Hon. Mr. Graham

BILLS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

- 1. Bill No. 1 Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right
 - Ms. McLeod
- 2. Bill No. 103 An Act to Respect Voters and Stop Floor Crossing
 - Ms. White
- 3. Bill No. 104 Paid Lobbying Act
 - Ms. Hanson
- 4. Bill No. 106 An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act, with Respect to Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
 - Ms. Hanson
- 5. Bill No. 107 Act to Amend the Elections Act, with Respect to Political Contributions
 - Ms. Hanson

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Bill No. 23 - First Appropriation Act, 2016-17 -Hon. Mr. Pasloski

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BILLS AWAITING ASSENT

1. Bill No. 22 - Interim Supply Appropriation Act, 2016-17 -Hon. Mr. Pasloski

NOTICE PAPER

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Ms. McLeod (Motion No. 1146)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to use the 2016-17 budget to invest \$1.2 million in continuing the successful domestic water well program, which has supported over 300 home water well projects since its inception.

2. Ms. McLeod (Motion No. 1147)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to use the 2016-17 budget to invest \$593,000 to support the continuation of the licensed practical nursing program at Yukon College.

3. Ms. White (Motion No. 1148)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to immediately accept and take steps to implement the recommendations identified as "highest priority" as described in WildWise Yukon's Whitehorse Bear Hazard Assessment.