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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 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.
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.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Second Reading)

1. Bill #13 - Third Appropriation Act, 2008-09
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
2. Bill #67 - Employment Standards Act, Act to Amend the
-Hon. Mr. Lang
3. Bill #68 - Yukon College Act, Act to Amend the
-Hon. Mr. Rouble
4. Bill #72 - Corrections Act, 2009
-Hon. Ms. Horne
5. Bill #66 - Corporate Governance Statute Law Amendment Act
-Hon. Mr. Lang
6. Bill #71 - Human Rights Act, Act to Amend the
-Hon. Ms. Horne
7. Bill #69 - Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2009
-Hon. Ms. Horne
8. Bill #70 - Child and Youth Advocate Act
-Hon. Mr. Hart
9. Bill #64 - Legislative Assembly Retirement Allowances Act, 2007, Act to Amend the
-Hon. Mr. Fentie
10. Bill #65 - Yukon Advisory Council on Women's Issues Act, Act to Amend the
-Hon. Ms. Horne

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
- 6. Bill #109 - Young Worker Protection Act
-Mr. Cardiff
Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Cathers

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- 1. Bill #15 - First Appropriation Act, 2009-10
-Hon. Mr. Fentie

BILLS WAITING FOR ASSENT

- 1. Bill #14 - Interim Supply Appropriation Act, 2009-10
-Hon. Mr. Fentie

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)

8. Mr. Edzerza (November 18, 2008)

Addressed to the Minister of Education

Will the Minister of Education table all documentation dealing with the Destruction Bay school which pertains to the presence or not of moisture and mould in the building and all other Departmental investigations into the safety and health of students attending the school? (WQ #10)

9. Mr. Cardiff (December 1, 2008)

Addressed to the Premier

Will the Premier provide responses to the following questions:

- (1) what is the status of each recommendation made in the Audit of Contracts including:

- (a) what recommendations has the government adopted to date?;
- (b) what recommendations does the government plan to adopt at a later date?; and
- (c) what recommendations does the government not plan to adopt? **(WQ #11)**

10. Mr. Cardiff (December 10, 2008)

Addressed to the Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation

Will the Minister please provide the following information:

- (1) the detailed total amount expended by the Yukon Housing Corporation for litigation with the Whitehorse Housing Co-operative; and
 - (2) the detailed total amount expended in fulfilling the Yukon Housing Corporation's duties as receiver responsible for the Whitehorse Housing Co-operative, including expenses for management and maintenance of the property and infrastructure.
- (WQ#12)**

NOTICE PAPER

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. Mr. McRobb (Motion #695)

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to reconsider its recent rejection of the recent funding application regarding the Haines Junction greenhouse project given the unfortunate collapse of the roof on the existing structure and the importance of its continued operation to the community.

2. Mr. Elias (Motion #696)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to release the Operation and Maintenance estimates for the new Whitehorse correctional facility.

3. Mr. Elias (Motion #697)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to release the total amount of money spent on renovating, expanding and repairing the existing Whitehorse Correctional Centre from November 2002 to March 2009.

4. Mr. Fairclough (Motion #698)

THAT this House congratulates the Minister of Education on changing his mind regarding the setting of graduation rate targets and urges the Yukon Government to release these targets to the Legislative Assembly before the end of the 2009 Spring Sitting of the First Session of the 32nd Legislative Assembly.

5. Mr. Hardy (Motion #699)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to provide stable, predictable, long-term funding for non-governmental organizations as they collectively and individually provide a broad range of important programs and services to the Yukon public.

6. Mr. Hardy (Motion #700)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to immediately recognize the vital nurturing role of Yukon grandparents and extended families who are actively parenting children related to them, in their own homes without compensation and who are financially unable to seek custody or access to their kin by:

- (1) developing a policy for financial compensation for grandparents and extended families parenting their kin; and
- (2) introducing into the Legislative Assembly, legislation that defines a distinct process for grandparents applying to the court for access or custody of their kin.

7. Mr. Hardy (Motion #701)

THAT this House urges the Yukon Government to follow its Yukon Substance Abuse Action Plan that is now four years old, in particular to take immediate action on:

- (1) establishing the Community Harm Reduction Fund,
- (2) increasing support for high risk young women,
- (3) mounting the public education campaign targeted at youth,
- (4) improving alcohol and drug education in public schools,
- (5) establishing community planning, development and funding for plans,
- (6) increasing counselling for children,

- (7) expanding the training on addiction issues offered to communities,
- (8) increasing the availability of counsellors for students,
- (9) expanding the outreach of Alcohol and Drug Services to the communities,
- (10) implementing a communications campaign for citizens to assist the RCMP,
- (11) reducing bootlegging,
- (12) replacing the current driver's licence with identity cards with security features; and
- (13) increasing the inspection of licensed operations;

in addition to:

- (1) thoroughly evaluating current treatment programs for incarcerated individuals and the public with a view to expanding programs; and
- (2) immediately beginning the establishment of community land-based treatment facilities.

MOTION FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PAPERS

1. Mr. Elias (MPP #23)

THAT this House do issue an order for the return of the plans for the construction of the new Whitehorse correctional facility.