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[The committee met at 09:30.]

The Chair: — Good morning, everyone, and welcome to this meeting on the Private Bills Committee. I'd like to welcome the committee members: Hon. Greg Brkich, Eric Olauson, Randy Weekes; and from the opposition, Nicole Sarauer. The business before the committee this morning is Bill No. 901, *The Luther College, Regina Act, 2018* and Bill No. 902, *The St. Andrew's College Amendment Act, 2018*.

Bill No. 901 — *The Luther College, Regina Act, 2018*

Clause 1

The Chair: — We'll begin with Bill 902, *The Luther College, Regina Act*, clause 1, short title. First we'll have the Law Clerk, Mr. Ring, present his report on the bill to the committee. Then I'll ask Mr. Kirsch and officials from Luther College to make comment and answer any questions committee members may have. Then we'll proceed to clause-by-clause consideration of the bill. Mr. Ring.

Mr. Ring: — Good morning, committee members.

A Member: — You said 902?

The Chair: — 901, as said.

Mr. Ring: — Good morning, committee members. I'm pleased to make a report with respect to Bill 901, the Luther College Act. I have examined this private bill. I'm pleased to report that it is drawn in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan and with respect to private bills.

I'm also pleased to report that in my opinion it contains no provisions that are at variance with the usual provisions of private Acts on similar subjects or that are deserving of special attention.

That concludes my official report, but I would like to indicate that I do welcome the bill from Luther College. It is responsible. It is a revision of the existing Act, and only Luther College coming forward could do that. So I would like to thank the college for that, for their diligence with respect to the statute volume in Saskatchewan.

The Chair: — Thank you, Mr. Ring. I will table PBC 4-28, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: Report on Bill No. 901, dated November 23rd, 2018.

Any comments by Mr. Kirsch on the bill?

Mr. Kirsch: — Not at this time.

The Chair: — Thank you, Mr. Kirsch. Any comments by representatives from Luther College on the bill?

Mr. Hillis: — No, not unless you have questions.

The Chair: — Well I'd ask if there are any questions for the representatives from Luther College or Mr. Kirsch? Seeing none, if there are no considerations, or any other questions, I'll begin

clause-by-clause consideration. Clause 1, short title, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried.

[Clause 1 agreed to.]

[Clauses 2 to 35 inclusive agreed to.]

[Preamble agreed to.]

The Chair: — Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows: *The Luther College, Regina Act, 2018*.

I would ask a member to move the following motion:

That the committee report Bill 901, *The Luther College Regina Act, 2018* without amendment.

Greg Brkich. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. I would ask a member to move the following motion:

That the fees respecting Bill 901, *The Luther College Regina Act, 2018* be waived.

Is that agreed?

Hon. Mr. Brkich: — I so move:

That the fees respecting Bill No. 901, *The Luther College Regina Act, 2018* be waived.

The Chair: — Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Thank you very much. I'd like to thank Mr. Kirsch and the officials from Luther College for being in attendance for this bill.

We will recess for a couple of minutes to change witnesses. Thank you.

Mr. Hillis: — Could we just take this time . . .

The Chair: — Yes, for sure.

Mr. Hillis: — We want to thank Mr. Ring especially for guiding us through this process and making sure we did everything right. So thanks very much, Mr. Ring, and thanks also Mr. Kirsch.

The Chair: — A short recess.

[The committee recessed for a period of time.]

The Chair: — Thank you very much. The committee . . . We are now joined by Mr. D’Autremont. Thank you very much.

**Bill No. 902 — *The St. Andrew’s College
Amendment Act, 2018***

Clause 1

The Chair: — We will now proceed to the next item on the agenda, Bill No. 902, *The St. Andrew’s College Amendment Act, 2018*. Clause 1, short title. The committee will proceed in the same way. Welcome, Mr. Forbes, sponsor of the bill, and representatives from St. Andrew’s. Thank you all for coming down. Mr. Ring will present his report which will be tabled. Mr. Ring.

Mr. Ring: — Good morning again, committee members, and those representatives from St. Andrew’s College. I have examined this private bill and I’m pleased to report it was drawn in accordance with the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly* respecting private bills. I’m also pleased to report that in my opinion it contains no provisions that are at variance with the usual provisions of private Acts on similar subjects or that are deserving of special attention.

That concludes my official report to the committee, but as with Luther College, I would like to commend and thank St. Andrew’s College for coming forward with the amendments that revises the Act and brings it up with the naming and the administrative processes that you now use. It is welcome. It’s responsible. You were the only organization that could have brought forward this legislation, and I commend you for your commitment to the statute volume of Saskatchewan being up to date. Thank you.

The Chair: — Thank you very much, Mr. Ring. I will table PBC 5-28, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel: Report on Bill No. 902, dated November 23rd, 2018. Any comments by Mr. Forbes on the bill?

Mr. Forbes: — Just briefly. Thank you, Mr. Chair, for allowing us to be here, and committee members. St. Andrew’s College in Saskatoon has been educating ministers to The United Church of Canada for many years. The people involved with the leadership of St. Andrew’s College reached out to me to present a private bill to make some changes in their private Act, and I’m pleased to be with them today here with the committee.

I’d like to introduce the representatives. We have Lea Pennock, Chair of nominations board member. We have Melanie Schwanbeck, college secretary, and Elizabeth Williamson of Williamson Law. And they’re here to respond to any questions that you might have. Thank you.

The Chair: — Thank you very much, Mr. Forbes. Are there any questions or comments from the representatives from St. Andrew’s College on the bill? No? Any questions from the committee? Mr. D’Autremont.

Mr. D’Autremont: — In the clause that you strike out “senate” and substitute “academic committee,” what’s the difference?

Ms. Pennock: — It’s really the same thing. It’s a matter of what it’s been called for many years now.

Mr. D’Autremont: — But the constitution composition of it will . . . Are the senate non-academic or are they all academics that are part of St. Andrew’s College?

Ms. Pennock: — It’s a mix of all faculty and then community representatives, yes.

Mr. D’Autremont: — Okay.

The Chair: — Thank you very much, Mr. D’Autremont. If there are no other questions we’ll begin clause-by-clause consideration. Clause 1, short title, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried.

[Clause 1 agreed to.]

[Clauses 2-17 inclusive agreed to.]

[Preamble agreed to.]

The Chair: — Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows: *The St. Andrew’s College Amendment Act, 2018*.

I’d ask a member to move the following motion:

That the committee report Bill 902, *The St. Andrew’s College Amendment Act, 2018* without amendment.

Mr. Weekes. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. I’d ask a member to move the following motion.

Mr. Weekes: — Thank you. I move:

That the fees respecting Bill No. 902, *The St. Andrew’s College Amendment Act, 2018* be waived.

The Chair: — Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. I’d like to thank Mr. Forbes for bringing the bill forward. And the representatives from St. Andrews, thank you very much for making the trip down. We appreciate you taking the time in this not-so-good weather.

A draft copy of the second report has been distributed. Would a member move . . . Oh, sorry about that.

Ms. Williamson: — We would also like to thank Mr. Kenneth Ring and his office for your assistance and his guidance. Thank you.

The Chair: — Also thank you, Mr. Ring. A draft copy of the second report has been distributed. Would a member move the following motion:

That the second report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

Hon. Mr. Brkich: — I move:

That the second report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The Chair: — Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. That concludes today's agenda. There is still one bill before the committee and the committee has indicated it will need more time to consider it. We'll consider this bill at a future meeting. I'd ask for a member to move an adjournment motion. Mr. Olauson. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. The committee stands adjourned until the call of the Chair.

[The committee adjourned at 09:45.]