

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON
CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES**



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To the Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan:

The Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies has the honour to present its report on its deliberations on Bill No. 1, *The Crown Corporations Public Ownership Amendment Act, 2016*.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fred Bradshaw', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Fred Bradshaw, Chair
Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies

Composition of Committee

Fred Bradshaw, Chair
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Introduction

On May 24, 2016, Bill No. 1, *The Crown Corporations Public Ownership Amendment Act, 2016* was referred to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies after first reading in accordance with section 5(1) of *The Crown Corporations Public Ownership Act* and rule 79 of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*. Later that day, the committee met and agreed to hold a public hearing on June 8, 2016.

Following the committee meeting on May 24, the steering committee, consisting of the Chair, Fred Bradshaw and Deputy Chair, Carla Beck, met to discuss advertising and deadlines for presentation requests and written submissions in regard to the public hearing. The first report of the steering committee was agreed to by the committee on May 25, 2016.

The committee distributed a media release to the daily newspapers, community weekly newspapers, radio stations, and television networks to promote the public hearing. The committee also advertised on Facebook, Twitter, the Saskatchewan Legislative Network, and the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan website.

Once the deadline for presentation requests had passed on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 5 p.m., the steering committee met and approved the agenda for the public hearing.

Public Hearing

On June 8, 2016, the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies met to receive testimony on the broad subject matter contained within Bill No. 1. Public hearings took place in the mānawapiwin náyati room (Room 8) of the Legislative Building from 7 p.m. until 9:47 p.m.

The committee received nine presentations from eight organizations and one private citizen. A complete list of witnesses is provided in Appendix 1 of this report.

In addition to the presentations, 26 written submissions were received. A list of written submissions, including those given as part of the oral presentations, is provided in Appendix 2 of this report.

The committee gratefully received all presentations and written submissions.

The full text of the committee's proceedings and accompanying documents can be found on the committee's website at:

<http://www.legassembly.sk.ca/legislative-business/legislative-committees/crown-and-central-agencies/>

Recommendation

The committee recommends that Bill No. 1, *The Crown Corporations Public Ownership Amendment Act, 2016* proceed without amendment.

Appendix 1: List of Witnesses Appearing Before the Committee

Restaurants Canada

Dwayne Marling, Vice-president, Manitoba-Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Government and General Employees' Union

Tina Vuckovic, Vice-president, Retail Regulatory Sector

Sobeys Inc.

Brent Newman, Vice-President, Liquor

Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, Saskatchewan Office

Simon Enoch, Director

Saskatchewan Liquor Vendors Association

Devin Heidt, President

The Rockin' Horse Cookhouse and Bar

Laurie Leigh, Co-owner

Saskatchewan Hotel and Hospitality Association

Jim Bence, President and Chief Executive Officer

Service Employees' International Union West

Neil Colmin, Vice-president

Dennel Pickering, Member

Vanessa Spencer, Member

Private Citizen

Nicole White

Appendix 2: Documents Received by the Committee

Minister Responsible for Crown Investments Corporation, Hon. Don McMorris: Feedback and results of public consultations, dated May 27, 2016

(CCA 3-28)

Bernadine Grona: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated May 27, 2016

(CCA 4-28)

I. Mackay: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated May 27, 2016

(CCA 5-28)

Perry Durant: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated May 30, 2016

(CCA 6-28)

Wayne Hittel: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated May 30, 2016

(CCA 7-28)

Ryan Frerichs: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 1, 2016

(CCA 8/28)

Len Reiman: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 2, 2016

(CCA 9-28)

Donna Christianson: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 2, 2016

(CCA 10-28)

Christine Day: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 4, 2016

(CCA 11-28)

Sandra Nixon: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 4, 2016

(CCA 12-28)

Mario Neumann: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 6, 2016

(CCA 13-28)

Rockin' Horse Cookhouse and Bar: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, no date

(CCA 14-28)

Sonya Horner: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 7, 2016

(CCA 15-28)

Laurie Palmer: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 7, 2016

(CCA 16-28)

Desiree Thul: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 7, 2016

(CCA 17-28)

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Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives Saskatchewan Office: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry,
dated June 8, 2016,
(CCA 18-28)

Gloria Klub: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 8, 2016
(CCA 19-28)

Catherine Anderson: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 8, 2016
(CCA 20-28)

Saskatchewan Government and General Employees' Union: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry,
dated June 8, 2016
(CCA 21-28)

Karla Sastaunik: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 8, 2016
(CCA 22-28)

Nathan Schneider: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 8, 2016
(CCA 23-28)

Chelsea Flook: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 9, 2016
(CCA 24-28)

Saskatchewan Federation of Labour: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 9, 2016
(CCA 25-28)

MariLynn and Warren Buchholz: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 8, 2016
(CCA 26-28)

Gravelbourg Chamber of Commerce and Town of Gravelbourg: Submission re: Bill No. 1
inquiry, dated June 8, 2016
(CCA 27-28)

Zena Charowsky: Submission re: Bill No. 1 inquiry, dated June 9, 2016
(CCA 28-28)