

STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS THIRD REPORT

Mr. Speaker, as Chair of the Standing Committee on Communication presented the Third Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee has considered the recommendations of the Public Documents Committee, under *The Archives Act*, contained in Retention and Disposal Schedules comprising Sessional Paper No. 157 including Schedule No. 338 – Saskatchewan Health – Drug and Extended Benefits Branch; Schedule No. 339 – Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation – Transport Compliance Branch; Schedule No. 340 – Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan tabled this Fourth Session of the Twenty-Third Legislature and referred to the Committee by the Assembly on April 15, 1999.

Your Committee recommends to the Assembly that the recommendations of the Public Documents Committee on Schedule Nos. 338, 339 and 340 be accepted.

Your Committee also reports that it has reviewed its role with respect to the approval of retention and disposal schedules. The Committee questioned officials of the Saskatchewan Archives and archival consultants charged with a broader review of the operations and organization of the Saskatchewan Archives Board. Your Committee concluded its discussion of this issue and recommends to the Legislative Assembly that *The Archives Act* (Statutes of Saskatchewan, chapter A-26) be amended by removing the requirement that the transfer or destruction of public documents and records be approved by the Legislative Assembly, upon recommendation by the Select Standing Committee on the Library (title change to Standing Committee on Communication in 1982), as is presently specified in sections 7 and 11(3) of the said Act.

Hon. Glenn Hagel
Committee Chair

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