

STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY

May 12, 2004

MINUTE NO. 4

3:00 p.m. - Room 8

1. **Present:** Mr. Lautermilch in the Chair and Members Borgerson*, Hagel*, Hamilton, Huyghebaert, Krawetz*, Stewart and Yates.

Substituting Members

Mr. Borgerson for Ms. Higgins

Mr. Hagel for Ms. Hamilton (for 3:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.)

Mr. Krawetz for Mr. Chisholm

Other Members

Ms. Eagles, Mr. Kirsch, Mr. Merriman

2. The committee considered Bill No. 3, The Certified Management Consultants Amendment Act, 2004.

The following Department of Finance Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Harry Van Mulligen, Minister

Ron Styles, Deputy Minister

Terry Paton, Provincial Comptroller

3. The questions being put on Clauses 1 to 8, they were agreed to.
4. On motion of Mr. Yates:

Ordered, That the committee report Bill No. 3, The Certified Management Consultants Amendment Act, 2004 without amendment.

5. The committee considered Bill No. 4, The Municipal Employees' Pension Amendment Act, 2004.

The following Department of Finance Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Harry Van Mulligen, Minister

Ron Styles, Deputy Minister

Brian Smith, Executive Director, Public Employees Benefits Agency

6. The questions being put on Clauses 1 to 11, they were agreed to.
7. On motion of Mr. Borgerson:

Ordered, That the committee report Bill No. 4, The Municipal Employees' Pension Amendment Act, 2004 without amendment.

8. The committee considered Bill No. 5, The Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund Amendment Act, 2004.

The following Department of Finance Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Harry Van Mulligen, Minister
Ron Styles, Deputy Minister
Brian Smith, Executive Director, Public Employees Benefits Agency

9. The questions being put on Clauses 1 to 6, they were agreed to.
10. On motion of Mr. Yates:

Ordered, That the committee report Bill No. 5, The Saskatchewan Pension Annuity Fund Amendment Act, 2004 without amendment.

11. The committee considered Bill No. 6, The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2004.

The following Department of Finance Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Harry Van Mulligen, Minister
Ron Styles, Deputy Minister
Brian Smith, Executive Director, Public Employees Benefits Agency

12. The questions being put on Clauses 1 to 19, they were agreed to.
13. On motion of Ms. Hamilton:

Ordered, That the committee report Bill No. 6, The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Amendment Act, 2004 without amendment.

14. The committee considered the Estimates for the Department of Finance.

The following Department of Finance Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Harry Van Mulligen, Minister
Ron Styles, Deputy Minister
Kirk McGregor, Assistant Deputy Minister, Taxation & Intergovernmental Affairs Branch
Glen Veikle, Assistant Deputy Minister, Treasury Board Branch
Len Rog, Assistant Deputy Minister, Revenue Division
Terry Paton, Provincial Comptroller

Witnesses (continued)

Dennis Polowyk, Assistant Deputy Minister, Treasury & Debt Management Division
Joanne Brockman, Executive Director, Economic & Fiscal Policy Branch
Brian Smith, Executive Director, Public Employees Benefits Agency
Janine Reed, Executive Director, Personnel Policy Secretariat
Bill Van Sickle, Executive Director, Corporate Services Division

15. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Finance.
16. The committee adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Margaret A. Woods
Committee Clerk

Eldon Lautermilch
Committee Chair