

STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY
Monday, May 6, 2013

MINUTE NO. 14
3:04 p.m. – Māwawapiwin Room (Room 8)

1. **Present:** Don Toth in the Chair and Members Fred Bradshaw, Danielle Chartier, Herb Cox*, Larry Doke, Bill Hutchinson, Greg Lawrence* and Trent Wotherspoon*.

Substituting Members

Herb Cox for Victoria Jurgens

Greg Lawrence for Fred Bradshaw (3:04 p.m. – 3:53 p.m. only)

Trent Wotherspoon for Danielle Chartier (4:50 p.m. – 5:32 p.m. only)

Other Members

Cam Broten, John Nilson, Trent Wotherspoon

2. The committee considered Bill No. 49 – The Forestry Professions Amendment Act, 2012.

The following Environment Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Ken Cheveldayoff, Minister

Kevin Murphy, Assistant Deputy Minister, Resource Management and Compliance Division

Earl Bourlon, Forest Policy Coordinator, Forest Service Branch

3. It was moved by Ms. Chartier :

That the committee adjourn consideration of Bill No. 49 – The Forestry Professions Amendment Act, 2012.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

4. The committee recessed from 3:54 p.m. until 3:57 p.m.
5. The committee considered Bill No. 83 – The Foreign Workers Recruitment and Immigration Services Act.

The following Economy Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Bill Boyd, Minister

Kent Campbell, Deputy Minister

Rupen Pandya, Assistant Deputy Minister, Labour Market Development

Kirk Westgard, Executive Director, Immigration Services

Eric Johansen, Director, Program Integrity Legislation

6. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 56, they were agreed to.

7. It was moved by Mr. Doke:

That the committee report Bill No. 83 – The Foreign Workers Recruitment and Immigration Services Act – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

8. The committee considered Bill No. 81 – The Global Transportation Hub Authority Act.

The following Economy Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Ministry of the Economy

Hon. Bill Boyd, Minister

Chris Dekker, Interim President and Chief Executive Officer

Blair Wagar, Chief Operating Officer

Mark Lemmerick, Vice President, Corporate Services

Ministry of Justice

John Hobbs, Crown Solicitor

9. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 31, they were agreed to.
10. The question being put on clause 32, it was defeated.
11. The questions being put on clauses 33 to 35, they were agreed to.
12. During consideration of clause 36, it was moved by Mr. Doke:

Clause 36 of the printed Bill

Add the following subsections after subsection (3) of Clause 36 of the printed Bill:

“(4) The authority is deemed to be the local authority or municipality for the purposes of any Act that applies to property located in the transportation logistics hub or persons who carry on business with the transportation logistics hub unless

(a) the authority and the city enter into an agreement pursuant to which the city agrees to act as the local authority or municipality;

(b) the Lieutenant Governor in Council orders otherwise.

“(5) If the authority acts as a local authority or municipality pursuant to subsection (4), the authority shall indemnify the city against all claims for damages and costs that may be made against the city arising out of or resulting from the authority acting as a local authority or municipality”.

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on clause 36 as amended, it was agreed to.

13. The questions being put on clauses 37 to 55, they were agreed to.

14. During consideration of new clause 32, it was moved by Mr. Doke:

New Clause 32 of the printed Bill

Add the following Clause after Clause 31 of the printed Bill:

“Agreement respecting services, taxes and assessments

32(1) The authority and the city may enter into an agreement:

- (a) establishing each party’s responsibility to provide property located in the transportation logistics hub with public highways, sanitary and storm sewers, water, garbage disposal, fire and police protection and other services normally provided by the city to other property located in the city;
 - (b) determining how property taxes and any other assessments, fees or other amounts charged by the city to property located in the transportation logistics hub are to be divided between the city and the authority; and
 - (c) subject to subsection (2), determining the amount of compensation that the authority shall pay to the city for services provided by the city to property located in the transportation logistics hub.
- (2) Any compensation payable by the authority to the city for services provided by the city to property located in the transportation logistics hub must be determined on a cost recovery basis.
- (3) If the authority and the city are unable to reach an agreement respecting the matters mentioned in subsection (1), the city is not required to provide the services mentioned in clause (1)(a) to property located in the transportation logistics hub.
- (4) The authority shall indemnify the city against all claims for damages and costs that may be made against the city arising out of or resulting from services provided by the authority to property located in the transportation logistics hub”.

The question being put on the new clause, it was agreed to.

15. It was moved by Mr. Doke:

That the committee report Bill No. 81 – The Global Transportation Hub Authority Act – with amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

16. It was moved by Mr. Hutchinson:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

17. The committee adjourned at 5:32 p.m. until May 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Stacey Ursulescu
Committee Clerk

Don Toth
Committee Chair