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STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE SERVICES

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[The committee met at 09:04.]

The Chair: — Welcome everyone to the Standing Committee on House Services. Today we will be considering changes to membership on standing committees and rule changes. I am the Chair of this committee and today we have the following members present: Hon. Lori Carr, Hon. Jeremy Harrison; Mr. Matt Love, Ms. Vicki Mowat; Mr. Greg Ottenbreit; and Ms. Nicole Sarauer. And also in attendance is Ms. Colleen Young . . . [inaudible interjection] . . . Oh, Alana Ross is also in attendance.

I have received a letter from Deputy Chair Ms. Mowat resigning her position of Deputy Chair. She will continue with the committee but not in that role. I wish to thank Ms. Mowat for her service to this committee.

Our first item of business will be election of a Deputy Chair. I just want to remind members of the process. I will first ask for nominations. Once there are no further nominations, I will then ask a member to move a motion to have a committee member preside as Deputy Chair.

I will now call for nominations for the position of Deputy Chair. I recognize Ms. Mowat.

Ms. Mowat: — I would nominate Nicole Sarauer.

The Chair: — The member has nominated Ms. Nicole Sarauer to the position of Deputy Chair. Are there any further nominations? Seeing none, I would like to now invite one of the members to move that motion.

Ms. Mowat: — I move:

That Nicole Sarauer be elected to preside as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services.

The Chair: — Ms. Mowat moved:

That Nicole Sarauer be elected to preside as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on House Services.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? I declare the motion carried. Any more motions?

Ms. Mowat: — I move that the name of Nicole Sarauer be substituted for the name of Jennifer Bowes on the Standing Committee on Privileges . . . [inaudible interjection] . . . Okay.

I move:

That a steering committee be appointed to establish an agenda and priority of business for subsequent meetings, that the membership be comprised of Mr. Speaker, Hon.

Jeremy Harrison, and Ms. Nicole Sarauer; and further,

That the steering committee shall meet from time to time as directed by the committee or at the call of the Chair, that the presence of a majority of the members on the steering committee is necessary to constitute a meeting, and that substitutions from the membership of the Standing Committee on House Services be permitted on the steering committee.

The Chair: — Members take it as read?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? I declare the motion carried. Ms. Mowat.

Ms. Mowat: — I move:

That a subcommittee of the Standing Committee on House Services consisting of the Speaker, Hon. Jeremy Harrison, and Ms. Nicole Sarauer be appointed to study and make recommendations on revisions to the *Rules and Procedures* of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan.

The Chair: — Take it as read?

Some Hon. Members: — As read.

The Chair: — Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? Carried. We will now consider changes to the membership on standing committees pursuant to rule 139(4)(a). I recognize Ms. Mowat.

Ms. Mowat: — I move:

That the name of Nicole Sarauer be substituted for the name of Jennifer Bowes on the Standing Committee on Privileges.

The Chair: — The member has moved:

That the name of Nicole Sarauer be substituted for the name of Jennifer Bowes on the Standing Committee on Privileges.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? I declare the motion carried. I recognize Mr. Matt Love.

Mr. Love: — I move:

That the name of Nicole Sarauer be substituted for the name of Vicki Mowat on the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

The Chair: — The member moved:

That the name of Nicole Sarauer by substituted for the name of Vicki Mowat on the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? I declare the motion carried. I recognize Ms. Sarauer.

Ms. Sarauer: — Thank you. I move:

That the name of Erika Ritchie be substituted for the name of Betty Nippi-Albright on the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

The Chair: — The member has moved:

That the name of Erika Ritchie be substituted for the name of Betty Nippi-Albright on the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? I declare the motion carried. Ms. Sarauer.

Ms. Sarauer: — I move:

That the name of Jennifer Bowes be substituted for the name of Aleana Young on the Standing Committee on the Economy.

The Chair: — The member has moved:

That the name of Jennifer Bowes be substituted for the name of Aleana Young on the Standing Committee on the Economy. Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? I declare the motion carried. I recognize Ms. Sarauer.

Ms. Sarauer: — Thank you. I move:

That the name of Nathaniel Teed be substituted for the name of Erika Ritchie on the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

The Chair: — The member has moved:

That the name of Nathaniel Teed be substituted for the name of Erika Ritchie on the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? I declare the motion carried.

We will now consider changes to the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*. Rule 160 will need to be modified to comply with the changes in security in the building. I would ask a member to move a motion in regards to these changes. I recognize the Government House Leader.

Hon. Mr. J. Harrison: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would move:

That rule 160 of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan* be amended by omitting rules 160(4), (5), and (6) and inserting the following:

160(4) Under the direction of the Speaker, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve order and provide security in the legislative precinct.

160(5) In case the Sergeant-at-Arms is absent, the duties shall be performed by any member of the Legislative Protective Service.

160(6) The Sergeant-at-Arms is responsible for the Legislative Protective Service.

The Chair: — Will the members take it as read? Are the members ready for the question? Yes, Ms. Sarauer.

Ms. Sarauer: — Thank you. Just a few remarks before we go to the vote on this motion, Mr. Speaker. We spoke at length on our position on the changes around Bill 70, and this change would be

a fallout of the passage of that piece of legislation, Mr. Speaker. I won't go into our opposition to those changes — and in particular the unilateral nature of the changes that were made, which goes against the precedent of how typically business is done with respect to security in this building — at length because we did have that discussion at length during Bill 70.

I just want to put on the record that we opposed the changes that were proposed in Bill 70 and, as a result, we also do not support the changes to this role.

The Chair: — Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour of the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Please raise your hand. Let's see: 1, 2, 3, 4 in favour. Opposed? I see three opposed. I declare the motion carried.

A Member: — There's only two voting.

The Chair: — Two, I guess. Two voters. Yes.

Before you is a draft of the committee's ninth report. I would ask a member to move the following motion:

That the ninth report of the Standing Committee on House Services be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

I recognize the Government House Leader.

Hon. Mr. J. Harrison: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would move:

That the ninth report of the Standing Committee on House Services be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The Chair: — Are members ready for the . . . The motion reads:

That the ninth report of the Standing Committee on House Services be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

Are the members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: - Opposed? I declare the motion carried.

I'll ask a member to move adjournment. Ms. Sarauer. The Standing Committee on House Services is adjourned to the call of the Chair. Thank you.

[The committee adjourned at 09:16.]