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Ms. Alana Ross
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[The committee met at 11:01.]

The Chair: — Good morning. Welcome to the Standing Committee on House Services. My name is Randy Weekes. I'm the Chair. I'd like to introduce Ms. Nicole Sarauer, Deputy Chair; Hon. Lori Carr; Hon. Jeremy Harrison. Mr. Matt Love is not here, but Jared Clarke is chitting in. And also absent is Ms. Vicki Mowat. In attendance is Mr. Greg Ottenbreit and Ms. Alana Ross.

As you can see from the agenda, we have several items of business to attend today. Our first order of business is the composition of the standing committees pursuant to rule 122(1).

I recognize the Hon. Jeremy Harrison.

Hon. Mr. J. Harrison: — Yeah, thanks, Mr. Speaker. I would move:

That notwithstanding the provisional order for membership of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and rule 139(1) regarding membership of the Standing Committee on House Services, the standing committees' member ratio shall be five government members and two opposition members, except for the Standing Committee on Privileges which shall be four government members and two opposition members.

I so move.

The Chair: — The minister has moved:

That notwithstanding the provisional order for membership of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and rule 139(1) regarding membership of the Standing Committee on House Services, the standing committees' member ratio shall be five government members and two opposition members, except for the Standing Committee on Privileges which shall be four government members and two opposition members.

Members ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

The Chair: — All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? Carried.

Also I'd like to introduce Mr. Burki who is attending as well.

Next on the agenda is consideration of changes to membership on standing committees pursuant to rule 139(4)(a). I would like to table two documents: HOS 6-29, Government caucus standing committee membership; and HOS 7-29, Opposition caucus standing committee membership.

I would ask a member to move the following motion:

That the lists of the members to serve on standing

committees, as tabled by the government and opposition caucuses, be adopted and reported to the Assembly.

I recognize the Government House Leader.

Hon. Mr. J. Harrison: — So moved, Mr. Speaker.

The Chair: — The member has moved:

That the lists of the members to serve on standing committees, as tabled by the government and opposition caucuses, be adopted and reported 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: — Any opposed? Seeing none, motion is carried.

We will now consider changes to the press gallery media guidelines, photos in the Chamber. I recognize the Government House Leader.

Hon. Mr. J. Harrison: — Thanks, Mr. Speaker. I move that we move in camera for this discussion.

The Chair: — We will go into in camera . . . The motion is:

That the committee do now meet in camera.

Is everyone in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. We go into camera now at 11:05.

[The committee continued in camera from 11:05 until 11:31.]

The Chair: — Okay, we are out of camera. Our next order of business is the consideration of Remembrance Day statutory holiday observation, and we'll just take a very short recess . . . [inaudible interjection] . . . No? No? Oh, yes. I recognize the Government House Leader.

Hon. Mr. J. Harrison: — Sure. Thanks, Mr. Speaker. And I think the motion I am shortly to move really is a reflection of when we had done some of the calendar changes, perhaps we had overlooked a couple of scenarios. So really we have in place right now a process where if Remembrance Day falls on a Sunday then the Assembly doesn't sit on a Monday, but it doesn't apply to a Saturday if Remembrance Day falls thereon and the Assembly would not have a day on Monday.

So really I think this kind of rectifies that, and we'll likely want to look at kind of the permanent change in the *Rules and Procedures*. But for this particular circumstance, I would move:

That notwithstanding rule 6(4) of the *Rules and Procedures*

of the *Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, when the Assembly adjourns on Thursday, November 9th, 2023, it shall stand adjourned until Tuesday, November 14th, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.; and,

That in accordance with rule 3(2), the 25th and final day of the fall period of the revised parliamentary calendar shall be Thursday, December 7th, 2023.

The Chair: — The Government House Leader has moved:

That notwithstanding rule 6(4) of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, when the Assembly adjourns on Thursday, November 9th, 2023, it shall stand adjourned until Tuesday, November 14th, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.; and,

That in accordance with rule 3(2), the 25th and final day of the fall period of the revised parliamentary calendar shall be Thursday, December 7th, 2023.

Are the members ready for the question? All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed?

Carried.

Do we want to take a recess now? No? We're good? Okay.

Now, no. 8, consideration of committee report. Committee members, before you there is a draft copy of the 13th report. I would like to ask a member to move the following motion:

That the 13th 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: — Yeah, thanks, Mr. Speaker. Thanks to LAS [Legislative Assembly Service] officials for turning this around pretty quickly.

I would move:

That the 13th report of the Standing Committee on House Services be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The Chair: — The member moved:

That the 13th report of the Standing Committee on House Services be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Any opposed? Carried.

Okay, is there any other business? If there's no business today, I would ask a member to move a motion of adjournment. Mr. Ottenbreit has moved. All in favour?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. The committee stands adjourned to the call of the Chair. Thank you.

[The committee adjourned at 11:35.]