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[The committee met at 14:43.]

The Chair: — Welcome committee members to this afternoon's Human Services Committee. I will call this meeting to order. Today we're having deliberations of the Standing Committee on Human Services in consideration of vote 5, Education.

Before we continue, we have two tabled documents, one requested yesterday, I believe. HUS 59/26, board membership at St. Peter's College and Carlton Trail Regional College; as well as HUS 60/26, a response to the request made by Standing Committee on Human Services when it considered the 2010-11 estimates for Ministry of Social Services.

I will introduce today's committee members. With us is voting committee member Mr. Cam Broten and Ms. Judy Junor. And sitting in as well on the opposition side is Mr. Kevin Yates. And on the government side, we have Mr. Glen Hart; substituting for Ms. Joceline Schriemer is Mr. Warren Michelson; voting member Ms. Doreen Eagles; and substituting for Minister Jim Reiter is Mr. Mike Chisholm.

**General Revenue Fund
Education
Vote 5**

The Chair: — With that, Mr. Minister, you have to open, or would you like any comments as we open or . . . You're good. We'll open the floor to questions then. Seeing none, we'll go on with the vote.

Vote 5, Education, on page 45, central management and services, subvote (ED01) in the amount of 15,716,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Pre-K to 12 [pre-kindergarten to grade 12] education, subvote (ED03) in the amount of 1,042,317,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Early learning and child care, subvote (ED08) in the amount of 58,021,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Curriculum and e-learning, subvote (ED10) in the amount of 5,502,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Literacy, subvote (ED17) in the amount of 2,539,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Provincial Library, subvote (ED15) in the amount of 12,173,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. Teachers' pensions and benefits, subvote (ED04) in the amount of 27,077,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried. This is for informational purposes only. No vote is needed for amortization of capital assets in the amount of \$1 million. Education, vote 5 in the amount of 1,163,345,000.

I'll now ask a member to move the following motion:

Be it resolved that there be granted to Her Majesty for the 12 months ending March 31st, 2011, the following sums for Education in the amount of 1,163,343,000.

Ms. Eagles. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried.

[Vote 5 agreed to.]

The Chair: — Well thank you ladies and gentlemen, all committee members . . . Ms. Junor.

Ms. Junor: — Could you just repeat the total again?

The Chair: — 1,163,345,000.

Ms. Junor: — And what line do you find that on?

The Chair: — It's on the resolution list. Committee members, any further questions? Seeing none, any concluding comments from the minister?

Hon. Mr. Krawetz: — Yes, Mr. Chair. I want to thank members on both sides, both opposition and government members for, I think we have had six hours of deliberation on Education estimates, and a lot of information was provided.

And as I indicated the last time we were here with my officials, I really appreciate the work of all of my officials for ensuring that the information as requested, not only at the time through my verbal comments, but also subsequent to that when we provided written information to you, Mr. Chair, as requested. It was the great work of my officials, so I extend my appreciation to them as well. Thank you.

The Chair: — Thank you, Minister Krawetz. And thank you again to your officials and everyone in the Ministry of Education for their hard work. And thank you to committee members. Any closing comments from the opposition? Seeing none, I will now ask for a motion to adjourn this committee. Oh sorry. Missed a page of paper here. Be it moved:

That the eighth report of the Standing Committee on Human Services be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

Mr. Hart. Agreed? Carried.

I will now ask for a motion to adjourn this committee. Mr. Chisholm. Thank you very much, committee members. This committee now stands adjourned.

[The committee adjourned at 14:49.]