

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

May 24, 2005

MINUTE NO. 21

3:00 p.m. – Room 8

1. **Present:** Ms. Junor in the Chair and Members Borgerson, Chisholm*, Crofford, Elhard, Hagel, Merriman, McCall*, Morgan* and Toth.

Substituting Members:

Mr. Chisholm for Mr. Elhard (for consideration of Estimates for Community Resources and Employment)

Mr. McCall for Hon. Ms. Crofford (for consideration of Estimates for Community Resources and Employment)

Mr. Morgan for Mr. Merriman (from 5:10 p.m. to 6:55 p.m. only)

Other Members:

Ms. Harpauer

2. The following documents were tabled:

HUS 10/25 Department of Community Resources and Employment: Responses to questions raised by Mr. Merriman regarding Early Learning and Child Care during the May 4, 2005 committee meeting.

HUS 11/25 Department of Community Resources and Employment: Responses to questions raised by Ms. Bakken Lackey regarding a social assistance client regarding a medical assessment during the May 4, 2005 committee meeting.

3. The committee resumed consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Community Resources and Employment.

The following Department of Community Resources and Employment Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Ms. Joanne Crofford, Minister

Wynne Young, Deputy Minister

Darrell Jones, Assistant Deputy Minister, Housing and Central Administration

Shelley Whitehead, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy

Bob Wihlidal, Assistant Deputy Minister, Client Services

Don Allen, Executive Director, Finance and Property Management Division

April Barry, Executive Director, Early Learning and Child Care Branch

Larry Chaykowski, Executive Director, Housing Program Operations Division

Marilyn Hedlund, Executive Director, Child and Family Services Division

Lynn Tulloch, Executive Director, Employment and Income Assistance Division

Gord Tweed, Associate Executive Director, Operations and Delivery Support, Employment and Income Assistance Division

Betty West, Associate Executive Director, Community Living Division

4. On motion of Mr. Hagel:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2006, the following sum:

For Community Resources and Employment\$637,126,000

5. The committee resumed consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Justice.

The following Justice Minister and official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Mr. Frank Quennell, Minister
Doug Moen, Deputy Minister

6. On motion of Mr. Hagel:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2006, the following sum:

For Justice\$203,287,000

7. On motion of Mr. Hagel:

Supplementary Estimates, 2004-2005

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2005 the following sum:

For Justice \$1,400,000

8. The committee resumed consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Corrections and Public Safety.

The following Department of Corrections and Public Safety Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Mr. Peter Prebble, Minister
Maureen Lloyd, Assistant Deputy Minister
Mae Boa, Executive Director, Management Services
Bob Kary, Executive Director, Young Offender Programs
Tom Young, Executive Director, Protection and Emergency Services
Brian Krasiun, A/Executive Director, Licensing and Inspections
Karen Lautsch, Executive Assistant to the Deputy Minister
Syd Bolt, Team Leader, Human Services

9. On motion of Mr Borgerson:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2006, the following sum:

For Corrections and Public Safety\$128,343,000

10. On motion of Mr. Borgerson:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2006, the following sum:

For Culture, Youth and Recreation\$57,186,000

11. On motion of Mr. Hagel:

Supplementary Estimates, 2004-2005

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2005 the following sum:

For Culture, Youth and Recreation \$6,290,000

12. It was moved by Mr. Hagel:

That the draft Third Report of the Standing Committee on Human Services be adopted and presented to the Assembly on May 25, 2005.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

13. The committee adjourned at 6:55 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Iris Lang
Committee Clerk

Judy Junor
Committee Chair