### STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES Tuesday, May 8, 2012

## MINUTE NO. 9 3:30 p.m. – Māmawapiwin Room (Room 8)

1. **Present**: Delbert Kirsch in the Chair and Members Cam Broten, Mark Docherty, Doreen Eagles, David Forbes\*, Greg Lawrence, Russ Marchuk and Paul Merriman.

#### Substituting Members

David Forbes for Cam Broten (5:22 p.m. until 5:50 p.m. only)

## **Other Members**

David Forbes

2. The following documents were tabled:

**HUS 3/27 Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration:** Responses to questions raised at the April 25, 2012 meeting of the committee re: Hill Tower III occupancy, buildings occupied by AEEI programs and leases for renewal in 2011-12 and 2012-13, First Nations and Métis Education and Employment Joint Task Force Budget, dated May 7, 2012.

**HUS 4/27 Ministry of Education:** Responses to questions raised at the April 19, 2012 meeting of the committee re: child care spaces and incorporation documents related to an order-in-council, dated May 8, 2012.

3. The committee considered Bill No. 23 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2011.

The following Labour Relations and Workplace Safety Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

<u>Witnesses</u> Hon. Don Morgan, Minister Mike Carr, Deputy Minister Glennis Buhn, Executive Director, Occupational Health and Safety Pat Parenteau, Director, Policy, Central Services Division Joel Bender, Manager, Legal and Technical Analysis, Occupational Health and Safety

- 4. The committee recessed from 4:04 p.m. until 4:52 p.m.
- 5. The committee resumed consideration of Bill No. 23 The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2011.
- 6. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 2, they were agreed to.
- 7. During consideration of clause 3, it was moved by Mr. Marchuk:

# **Clause 3 of the printed Bill**

Amend subsection 2(2.1) of The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993, as being

enacted by subsection (2) of Clause 3 of the printed Bill, by striking out "subclause (2)(d)(ii)" and substituting "subclause (1)(d)(ii)".

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

The question being put on clause 3 as amended, it was agreed to.

- 8. The questions being put on clauses 4 to 30, they were agreed to.
- 9. It was moved by Mr. Marchuk:

That the committee report Bill No. 23 – The Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2011 – with amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

- 10. The committee recessed from 5:50 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- 11. The committee considered the Estimates, Estimates (Lending and Investing Activities) and Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration.

The following Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses Hon. Rob Norris, Minister Clare Isman, Deputy Minister Karen Allen, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate and Support Services David Boehm, Assistant Deputy Minister, Post-Secondary Education Rupen Pandya, Assistant Deputy Minister, Employment, Immigration and Training Ted Amendt, Executive Director, Program Innovation Tammy Bloor Cavers, Executive Director, Student Financial Assistance Rikki Bote, Executive Director, Communications Dion McGrath, Executive Director, Public Institutions and Infrastructure Jan Morgan, Executive Director, Can-Sask Career and Employment Services Brent Brownlee, Director, Public Institutions and Infrastructure Heather George, Director, Public Institutions and Infrastructure Scott Giroux, Director, Financial Planning and Business Systems Kirk Westgard, Director, Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program Kevin Veitenheimer, Manager, Knowledge Infrastructure Program, Public Institutions and Infrastructure Darcy Cherney, Institutions Analyst, Public Institutions and Infrastructure Rhiannon Stromberg, Senior Executive Assistant

- 12. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates, Estimates (Lending and Investing Activities) and Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration.
- 13. The committee recessed from 9:51 p.m. until 9:57 p.m.

14. The committee considered Bill No. 42 – The Graduate Retention Program Amendment Act, 2012.

The following Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Rob Norris, Minister Clare Isman, Deputy Minister Karen Allen, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate and Support Services David Boehm, Assistant Deputy Minister, Post-Secondary Education Tammy Bloor Cavers, Executive Director, Student Financial Assistance Alicia McGregor, Acting Director, Legislative Services Rhiannon Stromberg, Senior Executive Assistant

- 15. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 6, they were agreed to.
- 16. It was moved by Ms. Eagles:

That the committee report Bill No. 42 – The Graduate Retention Program Amendment Act, 2012 – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

17. It was moved by Mr. Docherty:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

18. The committee adjourned at 10:18 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Delbert Kirsch Committee Chair