

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
April 28, 2006**

**MINUTE NO. 22
11:50 a.m. – Chamber**

1. **Present:** Mr. Harper in the Chair and Members Allchurch, Belanger*, Draude, Huyghebaert, Iwanchuk, Sonntag and Trew.

Substituting Member

Hon. Mr. Belanger for Hon. Mr. Sonntag (from 12:45 p.m. until 1:00 p.m.)

Other Members

Mr. Brkich, Mr. D'Autremont

Committee Official:

Ken Ring, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel

2. The committee initiated its first review of regulations by receiving a brief introduction of the process from the Law Clerk.
3. A list was tabled identifying all regulations filed between January 1, 2003 and December 31, 2003 that were reviewed by the Law Clerk and in which no concern was detected:

IAI 14/25 Office of the Law Clerk: List of 2003 Regulations under the purview of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Infrastructure Committee for which no concern was identified.

4. The Law Clerk advised the committee regarding concerns he had identified in **The Cities Regulations**.

Concern #1:

Inconsistent phrasing could be challenged in court.

Concern #2:

Combination of Minister's Orders regulations and Lieutenant Governor in Council regulations in one regulation.

The Law Clerk summarized the bylaw and the concerns arising there from. The committee directed the Law Clerk to correspond with the department.

5. A list was tabled identifying all regulations filed between January 1, 2004 and December 31, 2004 that were reviewed by the Law Clerk and in which no concern was detected:

IAI 15/25 Office of the Law Clerk: List of 2004 Regulations under the purview of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Infrastructure Committee for which no concern was identified.

6. A list was tabled identifying all regulations filed between January 1, 2005 and December 31, 2005 that were reviewed by the Law Clerk and in which no concern was detected:

IAI 16/25 Office of the Law Clerk: List of 2005 Regulations under the purview of the Intergovernmental Affairs and Infrastructure Committee for which no concern was identified.

7. The committee considered the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates for the Department of Northern Affairs.

The following Department of Northern Affairs Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Joan Beatty, Minister

Al Hilton, Deputy Minister

Glenn McKenzie, Assistant Deputy Minister

Anita Jones, Executive Director, Planning & Financial Management

Richard Turkheim, Executive Director, Resource & Industry Development

8. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates for the Department of Northern Affairs.
9. The committee adjourned at 1:00 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Margaret A. Woods
Committee Clerk

Ron Harper
Committee Chair