

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
May 10, 2007**

**MINUTE NO. 47
11:00 a.m. – Chamber**

1. **Present:** Mr. Harper in the Chair and Members Allchurch, Forbes*, Iwanchuk, Taylor, Trew and Weekes*.

Substituting Members

Hon. Mr. Forbes for Hon. Mr. Taylor (from 12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. only)

Mr. Weekes for Ms. Draude

Other Members

Mr. Brkich, Mr. D'Autremont, Ms. Draude, Ms. Eagles, Mr. Elhard, Mr. Hart

2. The committee considered Bill No. 37 – The Court of Appeal Amendment Act, 2006.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Frank Quennell, Minister

Madeleine Robertson, Crown Counsel, Legislative Services

3. The question being put on clause 1, it was agreed to.
4. During consideration of clause 2, it was moved by Mr. Trew:

Strike out clause 2 of the printed Bill and substitute the following:

“S.S. 2000. c. C-42.1, section 3 amended

2 Subsection 3(2) of The Court of Appeal Act, 2000 is amended by striking out “eight” and substituting “six”.”

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

5. The question being put on clause 2 as amended, it was agreed to.
6. The question being put on clause 3, it was agreed to.
7. It was moved by Mr. Trew:

That the committee report Bill No. 37 – The Court of Appeal Amendment Act – with amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

8. The committee considered Bill No. 43 – The Payday Loans Act.

The following Department of Justice Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Frank Quennell, Minister

Maria Markatos, Crown Counsel, Legislative Services

Karen Pflanzner, Crown Counsel, Legislative Services

Roger Sobotkiewicz, Legal Analyst, Financial Institutions, Saskatchewan Financial Services Commission

9. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 68, they were agreed to.

10. It was moved by Mr. Trew:

That the committee report Bill No. 43 – The Payday Loans Act – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

11. The committee resumed consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

The following Department of Highways and Transportation Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Eldon Lautermilch, Minister

John Law, Deputy Minister

Terry Schmidt, Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations Division

George Stamatinos, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Programs Division

Ted Stobbs, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services Division

Tim Kealey, Director, Corporate Support Branch

12. On motion of Mr. Trew

Executive Branch of Government

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sums:

For Highways and Transportation \$248,294,000

13. On motion of Mr. Trew:

Lending and Investment Activities

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sums:

For Highways and Transportation \$1,000,000

14. On motion of Mr. Trew:

Major Capital Expenditure - Executive Branch of Government

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sums, which to the extent that they remain unexpended for that fiscal year are also granted for the fiscal year ending on March 31, 2009:

For Highways and Transportation Capital.....\$185,305,000

15. The committee considered its Eighth Report of the 25th Legislature. It was then moved by Mr. Trew:

That the draft Eighth Report of the Standing Committee on the Intergovernmental Affairs and Infrastructure be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

16. The committee adjourned at 1:38 p.m. to the call of the chair.

Margaret A. Woods
Committee Clerk

Ron Harper
Committee Chair