STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE Wednesday, May 1, 2013

MINUTE NO. 21 3:00 p.m. – Legislative Chamber

1. **Present:** Warren Michelson in the Chair and Members D.F. (Yogi) Huyghebaert, John Nilson*, Rob Norris, Kevin Phillips, Warren Steinley and Corey Tochor.

Substituting Members

John Nilson for Doyle Vermette

Other Members

David Forbes

2. The following documents were tabled:

IAJ 15/27 - Ministry of Government Relations: Responses to questions raised at the December 4, 2012 meeting of the committee re: Outstanding sums of money for the PDAP program, dated April 29, 2013.

IAJ 16/27 - Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport: Responses to questions raised at the April 25, 2013 meeting of the committee re: questions raised during consideration of Bill no. 63 - The Regional Parks Act, 2012, dated April 29, 2013.

3. The committee considered Bill No. 79 – The Representation Act, 2012.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Gordon Wyant, Minister

Darcy McGovern, Director Legislative Services

- 4. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 7, they were agreed to.
- 5. It was moved by Mr. Norris:

That the committee report Bill No. 79 – The Representation Act, 2012 – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

6. The committee considered Bill No. 57 – The Condominium Property Amendment Act, 2012.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Gordon Wyant, Minister Catherine Benning, Senior Crown Counsel, Legislative Services Leslie Krug, Registrar of Titles Jim Boyd, Controller of Surveys

7. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 42, they were agreed to.

8. It was moved by Mr. Phillips:

That the committee report Bill No. 57 – The Condominium Property Amendment Act, 2012 – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

9. The committee considered Bill No. 84 – The Common Business Identifiers Act.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Gordon Wyant, Minister Catherine Benning, Senior Crown Counsel, Legislative Services Ardith Stephanson, Director, On-line and Enterprise Services

- 10. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 15, they were agreed to.
- 11. It was moved by Mr. Norris:

That the committee report Bill No. 84 – The Common Business Identifiers Act – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

12. The committee considered Bill No. 68 – The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2012 / Projet de loi no 68 – Loi de 2012 modifiant la Loi de 1988 sur les juges de paix.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Gordon Wyant, Minister Linda Bogard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Court Services Division Chris Hambleton, Crown Counsel, Legislative Services Branch Tom Irvine, Crown Counsel, Constitutional Law Branch

- 13. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 2, they were agreed to.
- 14. During consideration of clause 3, it was moved by Mr. Steinley:

Clause 3 of the printed Bill

Amend section 10.4 of *The Justices of the Peace Act, 1988*, as being enacted by Clause 3 of the printed Bill, by adding the following subsection after subsection (4):

"(5) Notwithstanding subsections 36(5) and (7) of *The Provincial*

Article 3 du projet de loi imprimé

Modifier l'article 10.4 de la *Loi de 1988 sur les juges de paix*, que vise l'article 3 du projet de loi dans sa version imprimée, par adjonction du paragraphe qui suit après le paragraphe (4):

« (5) Malgré les paragraphes 36(5) et (7) de la loi intitulée *The Provincial Court*

Court Act, 1998, if, six months before the date on which a commission is required to submit a report pursuant to subsection (1), (2) or (3), there is a vacancy on the commission or the commission is unable to perform its duties, the minister shall appoint a replacement commission after obtaining the consent of the association."

Act, 1998, si, six mois avant la date à laquelle la commission doit présenter son rapport en application des paragraphes (1), (2) ou (3), il survient une vacance à la commission ou la commission ne peut remplir ses fonctions, le ministre, sur consentement de l'association, nomme une commission de remplacement. »

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

- 15. The questions being put on clauses 4 to 5, they were agreed to.
- 16. It was moved by Mr. Steinley:

That the committee report Bill No. 68 – The Justices of the Peace Amendment Act, 2012 / Projet de loi no 68 – Loi de 2012 modifiant la Loi de 1988 sur les juges de paix – with amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

17. The committee considered Bill No. 56 – The Court of Appeal Amendment Act, 2012 / Projet de loi no 56 – Loi de 2012 modifiant la Loi de 2000 sur la Cour d'appel.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Gordon Wyant, Minister Catherine Benning, Senior Crown Counsel Legislative Services Linda Bogard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Court Services Division

- 18. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 3, they were agreed to.
- 19. During consideration of clause 4, it was moved by Mr. Steinley:

Clause 4 of the printed Bill

Amend subsection 15(4) of *The Court of Appeal Act*, 2000, as being enacted by Clause 4 of the printed Bill, by striking out "subsection 16(1)" and substituting "section 16".

Article 4 du projet de loi imprimé

Modifier le paragraphe 15(4) de la *Loi* de 2000 sur la Cour d'appel, que vise l'article 4 du projet de loi dans sa version imprimée, par suppression de « du paragraphe 16(1) » et son remplacement par « de l'article 16. »

The question being put on clause 4 as amended, it was agreed to.

20. The questions being put on clauses 5 to 6, they were agreed to.

21.	It	was	moved	bv	Mr.	Tochor:

That the committee report Bill No. 56 – The Court of Appeal Amendment Act, 2012 / Projet de loi no 56 – Loi de 2012 modifiant la Loi de 2000 sur la Cour d'appel. – with amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

22. It was moved by Mr. Phillips:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

23. The committee adjourned at 5:05 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Rob Park
Committee Clerk

Warren Michelson Committee Chair