

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE
Monday, April 20, 2009**

**MINUTE NO. 17
3:00 p.m. – Chamber**

1. **Present:** Delbert Kirsch in the Chair and Members Fred Bradshaw, Greg Brkich, Michael Chisholm, David Forbes*, Warren McCall*, John Nilson*, Frank Quennell*, Jocelyn Schriemer, Nadine Wilson*, Trent Wotherspoon.

Substituting Members

David Forbes for Trent Wotherspoon (7:00 p.m. - 8:39 p.m. only)

Warren McCall for Deb Higgins (for consideration of Estimates for First Nations and Métis Relations)

John Nilson for Deb Higgins (7:00 p.m. - 9:42 p.m. only)

Frank Quennell for Trent Wotherspoon (8:39 p.m. - 9:42 p.m. only)

Nadine Wilson for Michael Chisholm (for consideration of Estimates for First Nations and Métis Relations)

Other Members

Buckley Belanger, Doyle Vermette

Committee Official

Kenneth S. Ring, Q.C., Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel

2. The following document was tabled:

IAJ 5/26 - First Nations and Métis Relations Ministry: Responses to questions raised at the April 6, 2009 meeting of the committee re: budget dollars for new initiatives targeting the Aboriginal workforce, Muskeg Lake Care Homes, budget for aboriginal organizations, Consultation Participation Fund and exploration permits, dated April 16, 2009.

3. The committee considered Estimates for the Ministry of First Nations and Métis Relations.

The following First Nations and Métis Relations Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. June Draude, Minister

Ron Crowe, Deputy Minister

John Reid, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister

Trisha Delormier-Hill, Executive Director, Lands and Resources

Seonaid MacPherson, Executive Director, Strategic Initiatives

Richard Turkheim, Executive Director, Northern Resource and Industry Development

Giselle Marcotte, Acting Executive Director, Aboriginal Policy and Operations

Bonny Braden, Director, Communications

Kerry Gray, Director, Finance and Corporate Services

Jennifer Brass, Executive Assistant and Advisor to the Deputy Minister

4. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Ministry of First Nations and Métis Relations.
5. The committee recessed from 5:02 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
6. The committee considered Bill No. 86 – The Saskatchewan Financial Services Commission Amendment Act, 2009.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister
Darcy McGovern, Senior Crown Counsel, Legislative Services
Dave Wild, Chairperson, Saskatchewan Financial Services Commission

7. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 16, they were agreed to.
8. It was moved by Mr. Brkich:

That the committee report Bill No. 86 – The Saskatchewan Financial Services Commission Amendment Act, 2009 – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

9. The committee considered Bill No. 44 – The Agreements of Sale Cancellation Amendment Act, 2008.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister
Maria Markatos, Crown Counsel, Legislative Services

10. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 2, they were agreed to.
11. During consideration of clause 3, it was moved by Mr. Chisholm:

Clause 3 of the printed Bill

Amend section 1.1 of *The Agreements of Sale Cancellation Act*, as being enacted by Clause 3 of the printed Bill, in the portion following clause (b) by striking out “six months from the date possession is granted to the purchaser” and substituting “six months from the date of possession as set out in the contract or agreement or in any amendment to the contract or agreement”.

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

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

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

13. During consideration of clause 5, it was moved by Mr. Chisholm:

Clause 5 of the printed Bill

Amend clause 2(a.1) of *The Land Contracts (Actions) Act*, as being enacted by Clause 5 of the printed Bill, in the portion following subclause (ii) by striking out “six months from the date possession is granted to the purchaser” and substituting “six months from the date of possession as set out in the agreement or in any amendment to the agreement”.

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

The question being put on clause 5 as amended, it was agreed to.

14. The question being put on clause 6, it was defeated.

15. During consideration of clause 7, it was moved by Mr. Chisholm:

Clause 7 of the printed Bill

Amend clause 3(a.1) of *The Saskatchewan Farm Security Act*, as being enacted by Clause 7 of the printed Bill:

(a) in the portion preceding subclause (i) by adding “, other than in section 25,” after “means”; and

(b) in the portion following subclause (ii) by striking out “six months from the date possession is granted to the purchaser” and substituting “six months from the date of possession as set out in the agreement or in any amendment to the agreement”.

A debate arising and the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

The question being put on clause 7 as amended, it was agreed to.

16. The question being put on clause 8, it was agreed to.

17. It was moved by Mr. Chisholm:

That the committee report Bill No. 44 – The Agreements of Sale Cancellation Amendment Act, 2008 – with amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

18. The committee considered Bill No. 45 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2008.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister

Catherine Benning, Senior Crown Counsel, Legislative Services

Jim Hall, Registrar of Credit Unions, Saskatchewan Financial Services Commission

19. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 3, they were agreed to.

20. It was moved by Mr. Bradshaw:

That the committee report Bill No. 45 – The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2008 – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

21. The committee recessed from 8:25 p.m. until 8:39 p.m.

22. The committee agreed to consider Bill No. 43 before Bill No. 51.

23. The committee considered Bill No. 43 – The Trespass to Property Act.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister

Susan Amrud, Executive Director, Public Law Division

Mary Ellen Wellsch, Senior Crown Counsel, Legislative Services

Shannon Carson, Crown Counsel, Civil Law Division

The questions being put on clauses 1 to 6, they were agreed to.

24. During consideration of clause 7, it was moved by Mr. Quennell:

Clause 7 of the printed Bill

Clause 7 of the printed Bill is amended by adding the following subsection after subsection (2):

“(3) Any person who in the exercise of peaceful assembly or expression on any walk, driveway, sidewalk, roadway, square, park, or parking area at the site of or in conjunction with the premises in which any business or undertaking is operated and to which the public is normally admitted without fee or charge, communicates with the public, either orally or through printed material or through any other means, is not guilty of an offence under this Act whether the walk, driveway, sidewalk, roadway, square, park, or parking area is owned by the operator of that business or undertaking or by any other person, or is publicly owned, but nothing in this subsection relieves the person from liability for damages he or she causes to the owner or occupier of the property.”

The question being put on the amendment, it was defeated.

The question being put on clause 7, it was agreed to.

25. The question being put on clauses 8 to 19, they were agreed to.

26. It was moved by Ms. Schriemer:

That the committee report Bill No. 43 – The Trespass to Property Act – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

27. The committee considered Bill No. 51 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2008.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister

Catherine Benning, Senior Crown Counsel, Legislative Services

Tony Koschinsky, Senior Crown Counsel, Civil Law Division

28. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 6, they were agreed to.

29. It was moved by Mr. Chisholm:

That the committee report Bill No. 51 – The Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2008 – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

30. It was moved by Mr. Bradshaw

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

31. The committee adjourned at 9:42 p.m. to the call of the chair.

Iris Lang
Committee Clerk

Delbert Kirsch
Committee Chair