STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE Monday, December 6, 2010

MINUTE NO. 38 7:00 p.m. – Legislative Chamber

1. **Present:** Warren Michelson in the Chair and Members Greg Brkich, Michael Chisholm, Wayne Elhard, Andy Iwanchuk*, Laura Ross, and Kevin Yates*.

Substituting Members

Andy Iwanchuk for Kim Trew Kevin Yates for Deb Higgins

2. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister

Gerald Tegart, Deputy Minister and Deputy Attorney General

Ken Acton, Assistant Deputy Minister of Courts and Civil Justice

Rod Crook, Assistant Deputy Minister of Regulatory Services Division

David Tulloch, Executive Director of Corporate Services

Courtenay Phillips, Executive Assistant to the Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General

3. The committee concluded its consideration of the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General. On motion of Mr. Brkich:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2011 the following sums:

4. It was moved by Mr. Chisholm:

That the Ninth Report of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

- 5. The committee recessed from 7:22 p.m. until 7:40 p.m.
- 6. The committee considered Bill No. 158 The Correctional Services Amendment Act, 2010.

The following Corrections, Public Safety and Policing Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. D.F. (Yogi) Huyghebaert, Minister
Al Hilton, Deputy Minister
Rick Hischebett, Executive Director, Civil Law Division
Tammy Kirkland, Executive Director, Adult Corrections
Fred Burch, Director, Policy and Planning
Rick Davis, Director, Strategic Business and Information Technology
Jason Rumancik, Policy Analyst

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

Clause 3 of the printed Bill

Strike out Clause 3 of the printed Bill and substitute the following:

"New section 56.1

3 The following section is added after section 56:

'Inmate communication

- **56.1**(1) The executive director may establish communication systems for use in correctional facilities that provide inmates with means to communicate with other persons, including other inmates.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3) and in accordance with the regulations, inmate communication:
 - (a) may be recorded by electronic or other means;
 - (b) may be intercepted, monitored, censored or restricted; and
 - (c) may be prohibited or blocked.
- (3) Nothing in subsection (2) applies to a privileged communication'".

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

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

9. During consideration of clause 4, it was moved by Mr. Chisholm:

Clause 4 of the printed Bill

Subsection 57(2) as being enacted by clause (c) of Clause 4 of *The Correctional Services Amendment Act*, 2010 is amended by striking out "January 1, 2011" and substituting "the day on which *The Correctional Services Amendment Act*, 2010 comes into force".

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

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

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

Clause 5 of the printed Bill

Strike out Clause 5 of the printed Bill and substitute the following:

"Coming into force

5 This Act comes into force on proclamation".

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

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

11. It was moved by Mr. Elhard:

That the committee report Bill No. 158 – The Correctional Services Amendment Act, 2010 – with amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

12. It was moved by Ms. Ross:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

13. The committee adjourned at 7:57 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Kathy Burianyk	Warren Michelson	
Committee Clerk	Committee Chair	