

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS  
MARCH 28, 1984**

**MINUTE NO. 2**  
March 28, 1984 at 7:30 a.m.

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Shillington in the Chair and members Engel, Glauser, Katzman, Martens, Morin, and Young.

Officials Present:

Provincial Auditor's Office

W. Lutz, Provincial Auditor  
F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor  
J. Hunt, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Comptroller's Office

G. Kraus, Comptroller  
G. Benson, Deputy Comptroller

2. An *in camera* briefing session was held.
- 2.1 The committee requested the Clerk to obtain copies of responses to the Provincial Auditor's Management letters for the year under review before consideration of the department begins.
- 2.2 The committee agreed to allow one week's notice to the departments prior to their review.
3. **Public Hearing:** Report of the Provincial Auditor for the year ended March 31, 1983.

**Current issues of importance**

- 3.1 **Auditor's other than the Provincial Auditor Auditing Saskatchewan Crown Agencies:**

The committee resolved the misunderstanding of cost-recovery.

- 3.2 **Staffing**

The committee agreed to consider this issue further at the next meeting.

- 3.3 **Virements**

The committee requested the Clerk to obtain copies of a document given to them during the past year that dealt with virements.

Flag concern relative to the practice of using virements by agencies of the Crown.

- 3.4 **Social Services**

The committee agreed to call the Department (no date set) to consider all functions pertaining to its operation.

- 3.5 **Value-for-Money**

The committee is to continue discussions at its next meeting on this issue.

The committee agreed tentatively to flag this item as it would apply to government departments and agencies.

4. It was moved by Mr. Katzman:

That this committee authorizes under Sections 54 and 67 of the Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, the attendance of members of the committee and the committee Clerk at the Sixth Annual Conference of the Council of Public Accounts Committees to be held in Prince Edward Island from July 9-11, 1984.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

5. It was moved by Mr. Glauser:

That the topic of severance pay for civil servants released is a subject for consideration by the Legislature.

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

6. The committee adjourned at 9:15 a.m. until Thursday, March 29, 1984 at 7:30 a.m.

**Agenda**

7:30 a.m. — *In camera* briefing session

7:45 a.m. — Public Hearing: Provincial Auditor's Report

Standby: — Public Hearing: Department of Supply & Services