### STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS May 22,1986

# **MINUTE NO. 8**

May 22, 1986 at 9:00 a.m.

1. PRESENT: Mr. Shillington in the Chair, and Members Glauser, Klein, Weiman and Young

### **Provincial Auditor's Office**

W. Lutz, Provincial AuditorF. Wendel, Assistant Provincial AuditorM. Heffernan, Director of Professional DevelopmentR. Ellis, Audit ManagerG. Neill, Counsel

## **Comptroller's Office**

G. Kraus, Comptroller G. Benson, Deputy Provincial Comptroller

#### Guest

Mr. Eddie Bright, Clerk of the House of Representatives, The Gambia

2. The Committee held an *in camera* briefing session respecting a priority list of departments to be called and reached no conclusion.

### 3. Public Hearing: Department of Finance (continued).

### Witnesses

Keith Mackrill, Director of Administration Morley Meiklejohn, Assistant Deputy Minister Dennis Polowyk, Assistant Director, Cash & Debt Management Branch Barry Petursson, Manager of Mortgage and Real Estate Investment Branch John Klebuc, McPherson, Leslie & Tyerman

4. It was moved by Mr. Shillington:

That the Public Accounts Committee recommends to the Government of Saskatchewan questions of the legality of the investment in the shares and bonds of SaskPen Properties Ltd. (SaskPen) to a court of competent jurisdiction for interpretation.

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

- 5. The Committee instructed Mr. Morley Meiklejohn, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Department of Finance to provide the Committee Clerk for distribution to the Members with the most recent financial statements of SaskPen Properties Ltd. and Pension Fund Reality once they are audited.
- 6. It was moved by Mr. Glauser:

That on the basis of the Comptroller's statement regarding Pioneer Trust this committee not consider the affairs of same.

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

- 7. Public Hearing: Department of Revenue and Financial Services: Hearing concluded pursuant to a motion on May 15, 1986.
- 8. The Committee adjourned at 11:25 a.m. until Thursday, May 29, 1986 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 10.

### Agenda

Department of Finance (continued) (9:00 a.m.) Department of Health (standby)

### PROGRESS

The following departments, boards, commissions, agencies, or crown corporations have been selected for committee scrutiny, pursuant to issues raised in the 1985 Provincial Auditor's Report, the Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan and the respective agency's annual reports for the year under review. The anticipated hearing section is subject to change.

#### HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Department of Revenue and Financial Services Municipal Employees' Superannuation Commission

### ANTICIPATED HEARINGS

Department of Advanced Education and Manpower Department of Agriculture Saskatchewan Computer Utility Corporation Department of Cooperation and Cooperative Development Department of Finance Department of Health Indian and Native Affairs Secretariat Department of Justice Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation Department of Social Services Department of Tourism and Small Business Saskatchewan Research Council