

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
June 26, 1986

MINUTE NO. 12
June 26, 1986 at 9:00 a.m.

1. PRESENT: Mr. Tchorzewski in the Chair and Members Katzman, Meagher, Muller and Shillington

Provincial Auditor's Office

W.G. Lutz, Provincial Auditor
F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor
W.G. Bucknall, Deputy Provincial Auditor
K. Ketheeswaran, Audit Manager

Comptroller's Office

G. Kraus, Comptroller
G. Benson, Deputy Comptroller

2. The following documents were tabled in the Committee:

EXHIBIT DOCUMENTS

E18/86 — letter to the Premier re: housekeeping amendments to provincial legislation

E19/86 — Twelfth Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts of the Canadian House of Commons

E20/86 — Tenth Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts of the Canadian House of Commons

E21/86 — Provincial Comptroller's Report to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts on the selection of a bank to provide electronic banking services.

RESEARCH DOCUMENTS

R12/86 — Public policy and the practice and problems of accounting (by Ahmed Belkaoui, Quorum Books; 205 p.)

R13/86 — Provincial economic accounts — experimental data, 1969-84 (Saskatchewan); (by Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 13-213)

R14/86 — Paying and choosing; the intelligent person's guide to the mixed economy (by Leo Pliatzky, Blackwell; 1985, 153 p.)

R15/86 -The politics of the audit: the federal office of the Auditor General in Comparative perspective (Canadian Public Administration, vol. 29, No. 1, spring 1986, pp. 118-148)

R16/86— Tories trying to gag Pioneer investigation, NDP says (Leader Post, Fri., May 30, 1986, p. A4)

R17/86—Committee lacks Chairman as quarrel continues (Leader Post, Fri., June 6, 1986, p. A4)

R18/86— Shillington quits Public Accounts Committee (Star-Phoenix, Fri., May 30, 1986, p. 3)

R19/86— Sveinson could chair Public Accounts Committee (Star-Phoenix, Fri., June 6, 1986, p.3)

R20/86— Tchorzewski heads Committee (STP, Fri. June 13, 1986, p. 6)

— Government, Opposition come to terms on Committee Chairman (L-P, Fri., June 13/86, p. A4)

4. The Committee reviewed the Eighth Annual Meeting of the Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committees.

Public Hearing: Department of Social Services (continued):

Witnesses

Dan Cunningham, Assistant Deputy Minister
Art Uhren, Executive Director, Income Security Division
Graham Craig, Department Comptroller

5. **Department of Social Services:** Hearing completed.
6. The Committee adjourned at 11:00 a.m. until Thursday, July 3, 1986 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 10.

Agenda

Department of Agriculture (continued)

Craig James
Committee Clerk

E.L. Tchorzewski
Chairman

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 Health
Department of Revenue and Financial Services
Department of Social 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 Tourism and Small Business
Saskatchewan Research Council