

COMMITTEE RECORD OF PROCEEDING

MEETING 115-19-22 OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

THURSDAY MARCH 24, 2022 AT 12:00 P.M.

COMMITTEE ROOM 'A' AND TELECONFERENCE

Deputy Chair Nokleby called the meeting to order at 11:56 a.m.

Committee Members in attendance: Bonnetrouge, Cleveland, Semmler, Simpson, Weyallon Armstrong.

Other Members in Attendance: O'Reilly.

- 1. Prayer delivered by MLA Bonnetrouge.
- 2. MLA Bonnetrouge moved the adoption of the Agenda as presented. Carried.
- 3. There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.
- 4. Public Matters
 - a. Clause-by-clause review of Bill 41: *Justice Administration Statues Amendment Act* with the Hon. R.J. Simpson, Minister of Justice.

MLA Simpson moved that Bill 41 *Justice Administration Statues Amendment Act* is now ready for consideration in Committee of the Whole. Carried.

b. Clause-by-clause review of Bill 39: An Act to Amend the Post-secondary Education Act with the Hon. R.J Simpson, Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.

MLA Simpson moved that Clause 3 of Bill 39 be amended:

- (a) by deleting proposed paragraphs 7(1)(b) and (c) and substituting the following:
 - (b) advise the Minister, at the Minister's request, on matters of quality assurance in post-secondary education in the Northwest Territories; and
 - (c) perform other duties with respect to matters of quality assurance in post-secondary education in the Northwest Territories as directed by the Minister.
- (b) by adding the following after proposed subclause 7(2):
 - (2.1) In appointing members of a Committee under subsection (2), the Minister shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the membership of the Committee reflects the unique and diverse values, histories and people of the Northwest Territories.

Carried. The Minister concurred with the amendment.

MLA Simpson moved that Clause 3 of Bill 39 be amended:

(a) by adding the following after subclause 7(2.1):

(2.2) At least one half of the members appointed by the Minister to a Committee under subsection (2) must be Indigenous residents of the Northwest Territories.

Carried. The Minister does not concur with the amendment. The amendment did not take effect.

MLA Simpson moved that clause 15 of Bill 39 be amended:

- (a) by striking out "Subsection 21(1)" and substituting "Section 21"; and
- (b) by adding the following after proposed subclause 21(1):
 - (2) The Minister may, in accordance with any applicable regulations, renew an authorization given under subsection 20(1) or (2) and may attach any terms or conditions to that authorization that the Minister considers appropriate.

Carried. The Minister concurred with the amendment.

MLA Simpson moved that Bill 39 An Act to Amend the Post-secondary Education Act be reported to the Assembly as ready for consideration in Committee of the Whole as amended. Motion is carried.

- 5. MLA Bonnetrouge moved that Committee move in-camera for the following items. Carried. Committee moved in-camera at 12:24 p.m
 - a. Briefing on Bill 40: *An Act to Amend the Medical Profession Act*, with the Hon. Julie Green, Minister of Health and Social Services.

MLA Cleveland moved that Committee conclude the in-camera matters. Carried. Committee concluded in-camera matters at 2:50 p.m.

6. Committee to set its next meeting for Friday, March 25, 2022, at 12:00 p.m.

MLA Semmler moved to adjourn the meeting. Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Katrina Nokleby

Deputy Chair

Michael Ball

Committee Clerk