

Motion

Referral of Standing Committee Public Engagement Processes and Procedures to the Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures

WHEREAS the Standing Committee on Priorities and Planning has expressed its support for greater public participation in the democratic process, thereby increasing opportunities for public engagement with respect to the work of the standing committees established under the Rules of the Legislative Assembly;

AND WHEREAS this Government has also recognized the importance of accessibility and transparency and has named a Minister Responsible for Public Engagement and Transparency;

AND WHEREAS it would be beneficial for this Assembly to have a process established to guide its committees as they work to increase public engagement, becoming more accessible and transparent;

AND WHEREAS the Standing Committee recognizes the process conventions currently established and adopted by this Assembly to assist all Members, within their respective roles, to work for the collective good of the people of the Northwest Territories;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the honourable Member for Thebacha, that this Assembly refers the issue of standing committee public engagement and transparency to the Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures to recommend a process that may be adopted by all standing committees of the 18th Legislative Assembly;

AND FURTHER, that the research and analysis include consultation with the public and a jurisdictional review;

AND FURTHERMORE, that the Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures report back to the House with its recommendations during the fall 2016 sitting.



Date of Notice:	February 23, 2016	Moved by:	Mr. O'Reilly
Date of Introduction:	February 25, 2016	Seconded by:	Mr. Sebert
Disposition:	Carried		
Carried:	February 25, 2016	Ruled Out of Order:	