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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION CONCERNING CERTAIN BILLS INTRODUCED AT THE 58TH SESSION OF COUNCIL

Mr. Speaker, the Standing Committee on Legislation has met to review the Bills introduced at this session and makes the following recommendations:-

- That Bill 1-58 An Ordinance to amend the TRUSTEE ORDINANCE to increase the limitation period for the commencement of actions from one to two years be referred as presented to the Committee for consideration in Committee of the Whole.
- That Bill 2-58 THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES HOUSING CORPORATION LOAN ORDINANCE NO. 1, 1976 to authorize the Corporation to borrow funds to carry out various housing programs be referred as presented to Committee of the Whole for consideration.
- That Bill 5-58 An Ordinance to amend the SURVIVORSHIP
 ORDINANCE to change references to the INSURANCE ORDINANCE
 be referred as presented to Committee of the Whole for
 consideration.

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- That Bill 6-58 The EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID ORDINANCE to protect persons who render emergency medical aid or first aid treatment to accident victims be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration. The Standing Committee was concerned that this legislation as proposed does not appear to provide any protection to persons who may accompany accident victims from the immediate scene of the accident to a place where they may obtain adequate medical attention. To correct this shortcoming, the Committee therefore recommends the following amendments:
 - the deletion in paragraph 3(a) in lines
 and 3 of the words "and without expectation of compensation or reward";
 - 2. in paragraph 3(b) of all words following "first aid assistance".
- That Bill 7-58 An Ordinance to amend the CO-OPERATIVE
 ASSOCIATIONS ORDINANCE to enact minor amendments and to
 add provisions for amalgamations of associations be
 referred to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.
 The Standing Committee was assisted in its examination
 of this legislation by Mr. Ted Sabine, the general manager
 of the Co-operative Federation and by Father Goussaert,
 the president of the Federation and recommended the

amendment of sub-clause 3(5) by inserting immediately after "supervisor" the words "with the consent of 75% of the members associations". The Standing Committee also received representations from the spokesmen for the Co-operative Federation regarding section 25 of the existing ordinance which, in their view, is in its present form unworkable. This section, they stated, which refers to working capital reserves if applied, which it is not at present, would result in the closure of many northern co-operatives. The Standing Committee, therefore, recommended that the Committee of the Whole give consideration to the possibility of amending sub-section 25(1) by deleting all words following "by-law" in line 3 of the sub-section and by deleting in its entirety sub-section 2.

- That Bill 8-58 An Ordinance to amend the JUSTICES OF
THE PEACE ORDINANCE to permit the appointment of
non-residents as Justices of the Peace be referred as
presented to Committee of the Whole for consideration.
The Standing Committee felt that some means to limit the
power of the Commissioner to appoint non-residents as
Justices of the Peace should be included in the legislation
and therefore requested the Legal Advisor to give
consideration to a suitable wording to accomplish this
objective and to place it before the Committee of the Whole.

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- That Bill 9-58 The FINANCIAL AGREEMENT ORDINANCE, 1976 to authorize the Commissioner to enter into an agreement with the Government of Canada for the payment of operating and capital grants to the government be referred as presented to the Committee of the Whole.
- That Bill 10-58 The LOAN AUTHORIZATION ORDINANCE NO. 1, 1976-77 to authorize the Commissioner to borrow funds to make loans to municipalities and to others be referred as presented to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.
- That in reference to Bill 11-58 RENT CONTROL ORDINANCE to establish a limitation on the amount by which rents may be increased annually there be a debate in Council on the basic principle of government imposing itself more directly into the private sector of the economy. The Standing Committee did not consider the proposed legislation clause by clause preferring instead to defer this consideration until the result of the debate on the underlying principle in public was known.
- That Bill 12-58 The SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL AGREEMENT
 ORDINANCE, 1975 to authorize the Commissioner to enter
 into and execute with the Government of Canada an agreement

respecting a supplementary operating grant be referred as presented to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

Dave Nickasar.

D. Nickerson, Chairman Standing Committee on Legislation January 26, 1976