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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION

TO THE 59TH SESSION

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

- that Bill 12-59 The Legal Profession Ordinance be amended as proposed by the Committee and be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration. The Committee agreed to draw the attention of all Members to:
 - a) the opposition of the N.W.T. Bar Association to the provision that by-laws of the association must be approved by the Commissioner before they become operative;
 - b) the question whether insurance funds provided for in this Bill should be voluntary or mandatory;
 - c) the fact that this legislation only protects the public in respect of actions taken by a lawyer as a barrister and solicitor; and
 - d) the provisions in Part VII concerning the establishment of a law foundation to determine whether these are desirable.
- that Bill 1-59 the Territorial Hospital Insurance Services Ordinance be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration. The Committee recommended that the existing provisions of section 6 concerning the appointment of Board Members by the Commissioner upon the recommendation of Council be retained.

- that Bill 4-59 the Interprovincial Subpoenas Ordinance be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration subject to certain minor amendments.
- that Bill 5-59 the Criminal Injuries Compensation Ordinance not be introduced because it will create real hardship for certain classes of persons (e.g. totally disabled persons).
- that Bill 8-59 the Municipal Ordinance which complies with requests of the N.W.T. Association of Municipalities be amended in certain areas and be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration.
- that the proposed Certified General Accountants Ordinance not be introduced. The Standing Committee will meet later in this session with representatives of the three accounting profession to discuss the requirement for legislation.
- that in future a minimum of 25 resident members in good standing be required before legislation relating to any particular profession be introduced.
- that Bill 2-59 the Labour Standards Ordinance be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration and that various amendments be made to it. The Standing Committee agreed to call the attention of members to:
 - a) the proposal for an additional general holiday each year and the desirability of it being scheduled in August; and
 - b) the question of the desirability of a minimum wage and the fact that as proposed it exceeds the anti-inflation board guidelines.
- that Bill 6-59 the Teachers' Association Ordinance be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration subject to a number of amendments.
- that Bill 11-59 the Rent Control Ordinance not be introduced.
- that Bill 7-59 the Education Ordinance be amended in various areas especially to reflect the existence of a "Minister" of Education.

While considering this Bill representatives of the N.W.T. Teachers Association, Yellowknife School District #1, Yellowknife Separate School District and the Tri-Partite Committee appeared before the Standing Committee.

- that Bill 3-59 the Wages Recovery Ordinance be referred to the Committee of the Whole for consideration with minor amendments provided that the administration is of the opinion that the legislation is still required in light of the amendments to be made to the Labour Standards Ordinance.

