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The Standing Committee on Legislation met on February 26 and again on March 9 to examine the legislation being introduced at this session.

The Committee wishes to make the following recommendations with regard to the Bills being introduced:

That the following Bills be referred as presented to Committee of the Whole for consideration:-

- BILL 6-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSELS ORDINANCE, which would allow the Commissioner to adopt certain codes and standards by regulation;
- BILL 7-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ELECTRICAL PROTECTION ORDINANCE, which would allow the Commissioner to adopt certain codes or standards by regulation;
- BILL 8-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FIRE PREVENTION ORDINANCE, which would allow the Commissioner to adopt certain codes or standards by regulation;
- BILL 9-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COUNCIL ORDINANCE, which would provide for:-
- a) an increase in the salaries of the Speaker, Deputy-Speaker and Deputy-Chairmen of Committees of the Whole from \$5,000.00, \$2,500.00 and \$2,000.00 to \$6,000.00, \$4,000.00 and \$3,000.00;
  - b) the appointment of a second Deputy-Chairman of Committees of the Whole;
  - c) payment to the Speaker of per diem indemnities, transportation costs and living allowances when he is required to travel to Yellowknife between sessions to attend to the responsibilities of the office of the Speaker; and
  - d) a revised scale of Constituency Allowances.

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- BILL 11-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE ORDINANCE, which would enable the Commissioner to appoint Juvenile Court Judges, and make regulations establishing a Justice of the Peace Advisory Council;
- BILL 12-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE LIQUOR ORDINANCE, which would provide for increased penalties for bootlegging and immunities to peace officers or designated persons who breach the Ordinance for the purposes of obtaining evidence;
- a further amendment to provide for a recreational club license was also considered and agreed to;
- BILL 13-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PAWNBROKERS AND SECOND-HAND DEALERS ORDINANCE, which would eliminate the duty of a second-hand dealer to record details about the purchase of goods valued at less than fifty dollars.
- BILL 14-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE REGULATIONS ORDINANCE, which would allow the Commissioner to deal with citing and numbering regulations, exempting maps, plans or drawings from gazetting in appropriate situations, and to provide a legislative base for consolidated or revised regulations;
- BILL 15-81(1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SAFETY ORDINANCE, which would allow the Commissioner to make regulations respecting medical examinations of employees;
- BILL 16-81(1) AN ORDINANCE RESPECTING LOTTERIES, which would allow the Commissioner to regulate and licence persons or organizations in conducting and managing lottery schemes as are permitted pursuant to the Criminal Code (Canada).

With respect to Bill 9-81(1) COUNCIL ORDINANCE (A), the Committee directed that the scale of allowances originally developed be amended to reflect the directions of Caucus concerning provision for per diem expense allowances and to include in the calculation of allowances for the Western Arctic and Rae-Lac la Martre constituencies those communities which had not been taken into account.

With respect to Bill 11-81(1), JUSTICE OF THE PEACE ORDINANCE (A), the Committee was concerned that steps be taken to ensure that the accused (whether adult or juvenile) be properly informed of his or her rights. The Committee also was anxious that steps be taken to make court workers and social workers aware of these amendments.

With respect to Bill 15-81(1), SAFETY ORDINANCE (A), the Committee was concerned that mandatory medical examinations might be regarded in some quarters as an invasion of privacy. The Committee recognized that the intent of the amendment is to extend to employees in other industries what now applies to mine employees.

With respect to Bill 16-81(1), LOTTERIES ORDINANCE (N), the Committee proposes to review the lottery regulations as soon as they are available and obtain the comments of MLAs thereon.

BILLS 1-81(1) to 5-81(1) and Bill 10-81(1) being of a financial nature were referred for consideration to the Standing Committee of Finance.

The Committee also considered that steps it might take to make it more useful and effective throughout the year, thereby being more helpful to the Assembly and to the Public. In this connection, the Committee recommended that the Chairman examine means to do so and report back to the Committee in Hay River. The Chairman will solicit the views of all MLAs in this connection prior to the Hay River session.

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