

Votes and Proceedings

THIRD SESSION OF THE FIFTEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2005

The Assembly commenced sitting at 1:30 pm.

Ministers' Statements

95-15(3) The Hon. David Krutko made a statement regarding changes to the rent scale implementation.

Members' Statements

Mr. Robert Villeneuve made a statement regarding access to adequate and healthy housing.

Mrs. Jane Groenewegen made a statement regarding flexibility and responsiveness in the delivery of housing programs.

Mr. Henry Zoe made a statement regarding barriers to homeownership.

Mr. Calvin Pokiak made a statement regarding education programs for prospective homeowners.

Mr. Robert McLeod made a statement regarding a review of the Housing Corporation mandate.

Mr. Kevin Menicoche made a statement regarding single parent housing and housing for singles.

Mr. David Ramsay made a statement regarding a tax credit for interest paid on mortgages.

Mr. Bill Braden made a statement regarding addressing reductions to CMHC funding levels.

Mr. Robert Hawkins made a statement regarding housing programs for seniors and disabled persons.

Ms. Sandy Lee made a statement regarding the market housing initiative.

The Hon. Michael Miltenberger made a statement regarding the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Albert and Febula Bohnet.

Tabling of Documents

- TD 111-15(3) Letter to the Standing Committee on Accountability and Oversight from the Minister Responsible for the NWT Housing Corporation, dated April 2, 2004 regarding the market housing initiative. Tabled by Ms. Sandy Lee.
- TD 112-15(3) Actuarial Report to the Legislative Assembly Board of Management on the funding valuation as of April 1, 2004 of the Legislative Assembly Retiring Allowances Act. Tabled by the Speaker.
- TD 113-15(3) Actuarial Report to the Legislative Assembly Board of Management on the funding valuation as of April 1, 2004 of the Supplementary Retiring Allowances Act.

Motions

- Motion 28-15(3) Tabled Document 108-15(3), "Nation Building: Framework for a Northern Strategy" Moved into Committee of the Whole.

Moved by the Hon. Joe Handley. NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Inuvik Boot Lake that tabled document 108-15(3), Nation Building: Framework for a Northern Strategy, be moved into Committee of the Whole for discussion.

Question being called; the Motion was CARRIED.

- Motion 29-15(3) Addressing Housing Needs.

Moved by Mr. Bill Braden. NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Nahendeh, that the government develop a coordinated housing program for those in need, including an assisted living program for seniors and disabled persons which allows individuals who wish to stay in their home community or region to do so wherever possible;

AND FURTHER, that the government continue to pursue initiatives with national aboriginal organization, the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation to secure additional funding to address aboriginal housing concerns;

AND FURTHERMORE, that the government assures there is community support and a client base for infrastructure before making capital investments;

AND FURTHERMORE, that the government bring to this House by October 2005 a detailed plan including fiscal forecasts and timelines of how to replace the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation funding which is due to be reduced over the next thirty-four years and sunsets completely by the year 2038;

AND FURTHERMORE, that the government accelerate development of a comprehensive strategy on homelessness.

Question being called; the Motion was CARRIED.

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Committee of the Whole considered Bill 19: Appropriation Act, 2005-2006. The Chair reported progress. The Motion to Concur was adopted.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 7:09 pm.