TO THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA:

Your Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs presents the following as its First Report.

Meetings:

Your Committee met on February 18, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration:

- **Bill (No. 7)** The Criminal Property Forfeiture Act
- **Bill** (No. 8) The Employment and Income Assistance Amendment Act (One-Tier Assistance For Rural and Northern Manitoba)
- Bill (No. 13) The Public Schools Amendment Act (Appropriate Educational Programming)

Committee Membership:

Your Committee elected Ms. BRICK as the Chairperson.

Substitutions made, by leave, during committee proceedings:

- Mr. DEWAR for Mr. MALOWAY
- Hon. Mr. BJORNSON for Hon. Mr. RONDEAU
- Hon. Ms. Melnick for Hon. Mr. Selinger
- Ms. ROWAT for Mrs. TAILLIEU
- Mrs. Stefanson for Mr. Reimer
- Ms. Brick for Mr. Nevakshonoff

Public Presentations:

Your Committee heard two presentations on **Bill** (No. 7) - The Criminal Property Forfeiture Act, from the following individuals and/or organizations:

Ken Mandzuik Manitoba Association for Rights and Liberties

John Stefaniuk Manitoba Bar Association

Your Committee heard three presentations on **Bill** (**No. 8**) – The Employment and Income Assistance Amendment Act (One-Tier Assistance for Rural and Northern Manitoba), from the following individuals and/or organizations:

Stuart Briese Association of Manitoba Municipalities

Mayor Bill Comaskey City of Thompson

Wally R. Melnyk, President Manitoba Municipal Administrator Association

Your Committee heard 13 presentations on **Bill (No. 13)** – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Appropriate Educational Programming), from the following individuals and/or organizations:

Karen Carey, Board Director Manitoba Association of Parent Councils

Diane Duma Private Citizen
Gladys Hayward-Williams Private Citizen

Brian Ardern, President Manitoba Teachers Society
Connie Allsopp Council of School Leaders

Dale Kendel Association for Community Living in Manitoba

Tanis Pshebniski St. James Assiniboia School Division
Linda Archer, Past President Manitoba Association of School Trustees
Irene Meyrowitz Manitoba School Counselors' Association

Ross Eadie Private Citizen

Edie Wilde Manitoba Association of School Superintendents

Lori Johnson Winnipeg School Division

Jim Hoddinott Manitoba Council For Exceptional Children

Written Submissions:

Your Committee received four written submissions on **Bill** (**No. 8**) – The Employment and Income Assistance Amendment Act (One-Tier Assistance for Rural and Northern Manitoba), from the following individuals and/or organizations:

Ian MacKenzie, Mayor City of Portage La Prairie

Les Magnusson, Mayor City of Steinbach Alex Fedorchuk, Councilor Town of Morden

Jan Cheboyer, President Brandon District Labour Council

Bills Considered and Reported:

• Bill (No. 7) – The Criminal Property Forfeiture Act

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill, with the following amendments:

THAT Clause 1 be amended by replacing clause (b) of the definition "prior registered interest" with the following:

(b) with respect to personal property, a security interest, lien, charge or other interest in respect of which a financing statement was registered against the property in the personal property registry in accordance with The Personal Property Security Act before notice of an application under section 6 was filed.

THAT Clause 25 of the French version of the Bill be amended

- (a) in the proposed Clause 40(2)(c.2) of The Victims' Bill of Rights, as set out in Clause 25(2) of the Bill, by striking out "Loi sur la confiscation pénale de biens" and substituting "Loi sur la confiscation de biens obtenus ou utilisés criminellement"; and
- (b) in the clause heading for the proposed Clause 43.2 of The Victims' Bill of Rights, as set out in Clause 25(3) of the Bill, by striking out "Loi sur la confiscation pénale de biens" and substituting "Loi sur la confiscation de biens obtenus ou utilisés criminellement".

THAT the title of the French version of the Bill is replaced with "LOI SUR LA CONFISCATION DE BIENS OBTENUS OU UTILISÉS CRIMINELLEMENT".

• **Bill (No. 8)** – The Employment and Income Assistance Amendment Act (One-Tier Assistance For Rural and Northern Manitoba)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• Bill (No. 13) – The Public Schools Amendment Act (Appropriate Educational Programming)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

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