TO THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

Your Standing Committee on JUSTICE presents the following as its Second Report.

Meetings

Your Committee met on Monday, October 29, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 254 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Bill (No. 5) The Public Accounts Committee Meeting Dates Act (Legislative Assembly Act Amended)/Loi sur les dates de réunion du Comité des comptes publics (modification de la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative)
- **Bill** (No. 19) The Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Act/Loi sur les pratiques d'inscription équitables dans les professions réglementées
- **Bill (No. 20)** The Planning Amendment Act (Deemed Single Operations)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire (exploitations réputées uniques)

Committee Membership

- Hon. Ms. ALLAN
- Hon. Mr. ASHTON
- Ms. BRICK (*Chairperson*)
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. EICHLER
- Mr. GRAYDON
- Mr. HAWRANIK
- Ms. MARCELINO (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. SARAN
- Mr. SWAN
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Substitutions received during committee proceedings:

• Mr. DEWAR for Hon. Ms. ALLAN

Public Presentations

Your Committee heard 14 presentations on **Bill (No. 19)** – The Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Act/Loi sur les pratiques d'inscription équitables dans les professions réglementées, from:

Sharon Eadie	The College of Occupational Therapists of Manitoba
Douglas Bedford	Law Society of Manitoba
Dr. William D.B. Pope	Registrar, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba
Ronald Guse	Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association
Sheila Dresen	President, College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba
Robyn Taylor	Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists
Annette Osted	College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses
Dave Ennis	Private Citizen
Mamadou Ka	Private Citizen
Dustin Gosnell	Manitoba Institute of Agrologists
Monika Feist	Success Skills Centre
Teyeb Mereji	Social Planning Council
Virgilio Nazareth	Immigrant Professionals of Manitoba
Dr. Bahram Groohi	Association of Foreign Medical Graduates in Manitoba

Written Submissions

Your Committee received one written submission on **Bill (No. 19)** – The Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Act/Loi sur les pratiques d'inscription équitables dans les professions réglementées), from:

Verna Holgate

Your Committee received two written submissions on **Bill** (No. 20) – The Planning Amendment Act (Deemed Single Operations)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire (exploitations réputées uniques), from:

David Rolfe Karl Kynoch Keystone Agricultural Producers Manitoba Pork Council

Bills Considered and Reported

Bill (No. 5) – The Public Accounts Committee Meeting Dates Act (Legislative Assembly Act Amended)/Loi sur les dates de réunion du Comité des comptes publics (modification de la Loi sur l'Assemblée législative)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

Bill (No. 19) – The Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Act/Loi sur les pratiques d'inscription équitables dans les professions réglementées

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

THAT Clause 6 of the Bill be amended by replacing clause (c) with the following:

(c) provide written reasons to applicants within a reasonable time in respect of all

(i) registration decisions refusing to grant registration, or granting registration subject to conditions, and

(ii) internal review or appeal decisions,

including, where practical, information respecting measures or programs that may be available to assist unsuccessful applicants in obtaining registration at a later date.

THAT Clause 17(1)(b) of the Bill be amended by adding "knowingly" before "provides" wherever it occurs

THAT the following be added after Clause 18 of the Bill:

Avoiding disclosure of personal information

18.1 A person who submits a report or other document for the purposes of this Act or the regulations must take every reasonable precaution to avoid disclosing personal information, as defined in *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, in the report or document.

Confidentiality of information

18.2 A person is not guilty of an offence concerning the confidentiality or secrecy of information under any other enactment by reason of complying with a request or requirement to provide information to the fairness commissioner under this Act or the regulations.

Bill (No. 20) – The Planning Amendment Act (Deemed Single Operations)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire (exploitations réputées uniques)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

Submitted by,

Ms. Marilyn BRICK, Chairperson October 29, 2007