

TO THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

Your Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS presents the following as its Fourth Report.

Meetings

Your Committee met on July 10, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Recommendation for Appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer
- Process for hiring a new Auditor General and a new Ombudsman

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the July 10, 2013 meeting:

- Ms. BRAUN
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. EICHLER
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Hon. Ms. MARCELINO (Logan)
- Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park)
- Mr. PEDERSEN
- Hon. Mr. SWAN
- Ms. WIGHT

Your Committee elected Ms. WIGHT as the Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Mr. MARCELINO (Tyndall Park) as the Vice-Chairperson.

Motions:

Your Committee agreed to the following motions:

- *THAT the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Ms. Shipra Verma be appointed as the Chief Electoral Officer for the Province of Manitoba effective immediately.*
- *THAT a sub-committee of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs be struck to manage the process of hiring a new Auditor General and a new Ombudsman for the Province of Manitoba, under the terms and conditions as follows:*
 - (a) the subcommittee may only report back to the committee with a recommendation that has received a general level of acceptance by all members;*
 - (b) the subcommittee consist of four government members, two official opposition members and one independent member;*
 - (c) the subcommittee have the authority to call their own meetings, the ability to meet in camera, and be able to undertake duties it deems necessary in order to fulfil its responsibilities in the hiring process;*
 - (d) the subcommittee appoint an expert advisory panel of three members to assist in the hiring process and ultimately provide the subcommittee with a prioritized list of candidates;*

(e) the subcommittee establish the terms of reference for the expert advisory panel, and that Legislative Assembly staff may be authorized by the Chair to attend all meetings of the subcommittee and the expert advisory panel.

Submitted by,

Ms. Melanie WIGHT, Chairperson
July 10, 2013