

TO THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

Your Standing Committee on PUBLIC ACCOUNTS presents the following as its First Report.

Your Committee met on Friday, July 21, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building to consider the Public Accounts Volumes 1, 2, 3 and 4 for the years ended March 31, 1997 and 1998 Public Accounts Volumes 1, 2 and 3 for the year ended March 31, 1999, Provincial Auditor's Report on the Operations of the Office of the Provincial Auditor for the years ended March 31, 1997, March 31, 1998 and March 31, 1999, Provincial Auditor's Report on the Audit of the Public Accounts for the years ended March 31, 1997, March 31, 1998 and March 31, 1999, Provincial Auditor's Report on Value for Money Audits – Autumn 1997, Spring 1998, Summer 1999 and for the period ending June 2000, and Provincial Auditors Report on An Examination of Governance in Manitoba's Crown Corporations, June 1998.

Your Committee received all information desired by any Member at the meeting from the Minister of Finance and from Mr. Jon Singleton, Provincial Auditor. Information was provided with respect to the receipts, expenditures and other matters pertaining to the Business of the Province.

Your Committee finds that the receipts and expenditures of the monies have been carefully set forth and all monies properly accounted for.

Your Committee has considered the Public Accounts Volumes 1, 2, 3 and 4 for the years ended March 31, 1997 and 1998, Public Accounts Volumes 1, 2 and 3 for the year ended March 31, 1999, Provincial Auditor's Report on the Operations of the Office of the Provincial Auditor for the years ended March 31, 1997, March 31, 1998 and March 31, 1999, Provincial Auditor's Report on the Audit of the Public Accounts for the years ended March 31, 1997, March 31, 1998 and March 31, 1999 and Provincial Auditors Report on An Examination of Governance in Manitoba's Crown Corporations, June 1998 and has adopted the same as presented.

At that meeting, your Committee unanimously adopted the following motion:

THAT the Provincial Auditor's recommendations for change to the procedures and role of the Public Accounts Committee be referred to the Rules Committee and that the Public Accounts Committee recommend that a meeting of the Public Accounts Committee be convened to discuss the Provincial Auditor's recommendations and make comment on them prior to the Rules Committee dealing with the Provincial Auditor recommendations.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Ed HELWER, Chairperson

Committee Rooms
July 21, 2000