

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 Monday, June 5, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 254 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration:

- **Bill (No. 22)** – The Elections Reform Act/Loi sur la réforme électorale

Committee Membership:

- Mr. CUMMINGS
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Mr. DOER
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Ms. KORZENIOWSKI
- Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH
- Mr. MALOWAY
- Mr. McFADYEN
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. SCHULER
- Mr. SWAN

Your Committee elected Ms. KORZENIOWSKI as the Vice-Chairperson.

Public Presentations:

Your Committee heard two presentations on **Bill (No. 22)** – The Elections Reform Act/Loi sur la réforme électorale, from the following individuals:

Sidney Green	Private Citizen
Roy McPhail	Private Citizen

Bills Considered and Reported:

Bill (No. 22) – The Elections Reform Act/Loi sur la réforme électorale

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

THAT Schedule A to the Bill be amended in the English version of Clause 200(3) by striking out "may" and substituting "must".

THAT Schedule B of the Bill be amended by replacing clause 6 with the following:

6 Section 6.2 is amended by striking out "or any person employed under the Chief Electoral Officer" and substituting ", the commissioner, or any person appointed or employed by the Chief Electoral Officer or the commissioner,".

THAT the proposed clause 37.4, as set out in clause 13 of Schedule B to the Bill, be replaced with the following:

Application

37.4 For certainty, nothing in sections 37.1 to 37.3 prevents a professional fundraiser, event organizer, call centre, or other similar entity retained for fundraising purposes by a candidate, leadership contestant, constituency association or registered political party from doing one or both of the following:

(a) soliciting a contribution on behalf of the candidate, leadership contestant, constituency association or registered political party;

(b) collecting information from an individual who wishes to make a contribution and forwarding the information to the candidate, leadership contestant, constituency association or registered political party.

THAT Clause 24(1) of Schedule B to the Bill be amended

(a) by replacing the proposed clause 56(1)(c) with the following:

(c) is by a Crown agency, is in continuation of earlier publications or advertisements and is required at the time for ongoing programs of the agency.

(b) by adding "or" at the end of clause 56(1.1)(b); and

(c) by replacing clauses 56(1.1)(c) and (d) with the following:

(c) is in continuation of earlier publications or advertisements and is required at the time for ongoing programs of the government department or Crown agency.

Submitted by,

Mr. Daryl REID, Chairperson
June 5, 2006