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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON
GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

**COMITÉ PERMANENT DES
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The committee met at 1401 in committee room 2.

**PROTECTING A WOMAN'S RIGHT
TO ACCESS ABORTION
SERVICES ACT, 2017
LOI DE 2017 PROTÉGEANT
LE DROIT DES FEMMES À RECOURIR
AUX SERVICES D'INTERRUPTION
VOLONTAIRE DE GROSSESSE**

Consideration of the following bill:

Bill 163, An Act to enact the Safe Access to Abortion Services Act, 2017 and to amend the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act in relation to abortion services / Projet de loi 163, Loi édictant la Loi de 2017 sur l'accès sécuritaire aux services d'interruption volontaire de grossesse et modifiant la Loi sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée en ce qui a trait aux services d'interruption volontaire de grossesse.

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): Good afternoon, everyone. I'd like to call the Standing Committee on General Government to order.

We are here today to go through the process of clause-by-clause consideration of Bill 163, An Act to enact the Safe Access to Abortion Services Act, 2017 and to amend the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act in relation to abortion services.

Are there any questions or comments before we move into the details of clause-by-clause?

There being none, I just want to indicate to members of the committee that Bill 163 consists of three sections and two schedules, and because the substance of the bill is in the schedules, I suggest—and it's only a suggestion—that we postpone consideration of the three sections and deal with the schedules first. I would ask if we have unanimous consent that we could proceed in that manner. I believe we have unanimous consent.

Having said that, we shall then move into the schedule sections. Mr. Baker.

Mr. Yvan Baker: Chair, I don't know if this is the right point in time to be suggesting this, but I wanted to request that when we go through the voting, we bundle schedule 1, section 1, through schedule 1, section 15, inclusive.

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): That would be an appropriate time to make that request. Secondly, it is appropriate and in order if we have agreement amongst

all committee members to bundle schedule 1, sections 1 through 15. Any opposition?

There being none, is there any discussion on schedule 1, sections 1 through 15? There being none, I shall call for the vote on schedule 1, sections 1 through to 15. Those in favour? Those opposed? I declare schedule 1, sections 1 through 15, inclusive, carried.

We shall move to schedule 2.

Interjection.

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): Oh, okay. Since there were no amendments, shall schedule 1 carry? Those in favour? I declare schedule 1 carried.

We shall move to schedule 2. There are two sections. Does the committee wish to bundle those as well? We shall do that. I hear unanimous consent.

Is there any discussion on schedule 2, section 1 and section 2? There being none, I shall call for the vote. Shall schedule 2, section 1 and section 2, carry? Any opposed? I declare section 1 and section 2 of schedule 2 carried.

Is there any discussion on schedule 2? There being none, I shall call for the vote. Shall schedule 2 carry? Those in favour? Any opposed? I declare schedule 2 carried.

We shall return back to the sections of the bill. Any questions or comments regarding any of the sections?

We shall deal, then, with section 1. Shall section 1 carry? Those in favour? Any opposed? I declare section 1 carried.

We shall move to section 2. Is there any discussion on section 2? There being none, I shall call for the vote. Shall section 2 carry? Those in favour? I declare section 2 carried.

We shall move to section 3, which is the short title. Is there any discussion on the short title? There being none, I shall call for the vote. Shall section 3 carry? Those in favour? Any opposed? I declare section 3, the short title, carried.

That brings us to the title of the bill. Is there any discussion on the title of the bill? There being none, I shall call for the vote.

Mr. Granville Anderson: Chair?

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Granville Anderson: Can I have a recorded vote, please?

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): You certainly can. That is within order.

Any further discussion, then, on the title of the bill? There being none, I shall call for the vote, and it shall be recorded. Shall the title of the bill carry?

Ayes

Anderson, Baker, Berardinetti, Fraser, Sattler, Thompson, Wong.

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): I declare the title of the bill carried.

Is there any discussion on Bill 163 prior to the vote?

Ms. Soo Wong: Can I ask for a recorded vote?

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): That is in order: a request for a recorded vote.

Is there any discussion, then, on Bill 163? There being none, I shall call for the vote, and it is recorded. Shall Bill 163 carry?

Ayes

Anderson, Baker, Berardinetti, Fraser, Sattler, Thompson, Wong.

The Chair (Mr. Grant Crack): I declare Bill 163 carried.

Shall I report the bill to the House? Those in favour? Any opposed? I declare that I shall report the bill to the House. Carried.

There being no further business of the committee this afternoon, I'd like to thank all members for their participation, and all support staff and everyone for their help today. This meeting is adjourned. Congratulations.

The committee adjourned at 1406.

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