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*The committee met at 1309 in room 228.*

**ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

**The Chair (Mr. Bas Balkissoon):** We'll call the meeting of the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly to order for Wednesday, September 16, 2009.

The first item of business is the election of a Vice-Chair. May I have names? Mr. Brownell.

**Mr. Jim Brownell:** Mr. Chair, although he's not here at the moment—probably stuck in traffic somewhere—I'd like to nominate Khalil Ramal.

**The Chair (Mr. Bas Balkissoon):** There is an understanding that Mr. Ramal is going to accept the nomination, I believe. Any other nominations? Okay, there being no further nominations, I declare the nominations closed and Mr. Ramal elected Vice-Chair of the committee.

**ASSIGNMENT OF MINISTRIES**

**The Chair (Mr. Bas Balkissoon):** The next item on the agenda is the draft committee report, pursuant to standing order 111(b). I think most of us saw this before we left. I hope everyone has a copy. Questions, comments? There being none, can I have a motion to adopt the report?

*Interjection.*

**The Chair (Mr. Bas Balkissoon):** Moved by Mr. Flynn that the report be adopted. All in favour? Carried.

**Ms. Sylvia Jones:** A point of clarification: From reading standing order 111, any committees that are assigned to the Leg Assembly, we can then call and ask them to appear?

**The Clerk of the Committee (Ms. Tonia Grannum):** No. Actually, standing order 111 pertains to the assignment of ministries. There are policy field com-

mittees which can do standing order 126 designations, and they then have to make sure the ministry falls under their committee. If you look at the full report, you'll see the Standing Committee on General Government and the list of ministries that fall under that committee, the Standing Committee on Justice Policy and the Standing Committee on Social Policy. For that specific issue of 126 designations or for any other matters any of those policy field committees may wish to review, they have to make sure the ministry falls under their committee, if they wanted to do a review. Okay?

**Ms. Sylvia Jones:** Got it.

**The Chair (Mr. Bas Balkissoon):** Any other questions, comments? Okay.

Shall I present the report to the House? Carried.

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**The Chair (Mr. Bas Balkissoon):** The next item I have on the agenda is other business, which is the Ombudsman's reports. I believe before we recessed, there were a couple of reports from the Ombudsman. I'm told that someone here was interested in the Ombudsman reporting to committee. Is that the wish of the committee?

*Interjection.*

**The Chair (Mr. Bas Balkissoon):** I have one yes. Any other comments?

Okay, we'll refer this to the subcommittee to pick the date and the procedure for the Ombudsman to be here. Is that okay with everyone? Okay.

That's all the business of the committee. The committee's now adjourned.

*The committee adjourned at 1313.*

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