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Bevington bill passes committee review un-amended

OTTAWA – Today the House of Commons Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development passed Dennis Bevington's bill C-530, which changes the *Northwest Territories Act* (Borrowing Provisions). The committee approved the bill without amendment and to report it back to the House of Commons for third reading. The committee's approval of the bill came after hearing witnesses from the NWT Department of Finance, and the federal departments of Finance and Indian Affairs and Northern Development.

"I'm glad the majority of the committee supported my bill and was particularly happy to hear the testimony from the NWT Finance officials who revealed that the current borrowing limit review underway with the federal government is only an operational review and does not address the questions of the adequacy of the borrowing limit whether there should be a limit at all," said Bevington.

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