

Votes and Proceedings

SECOND SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

March 11, 2021

The Assembly commenced sitting at 1:31 pm, with the Honourable Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker, presiding.

The Assembly observed a moment of silence as part of the National Day of Observance to commemorate the people who lost their lives and the significant impacts all have felt because of COVID-19.

Ministers' Statements

- 138-19(2) The Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs made a statement regarding COVID-19 community emergency planning.
- 139-19(2) The Minister of Health and Social Services made a statement regarding long-term care bed projections.
- 140-19(2) The Minister of Education, Culture and Employment made a statement about increasing the minimum wage.

Members' Statements

- 657-19(2) The Member for Nunakput made a statement regarding Elders' care facilities in Nunakput communities.
- 658-19(2) The Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh made a statement regarding the Thaidëné Nene spring culture camp.
- 659-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake made a statement regarding the fourth trimester.
- 660-19(2) The Member for Thebacha made a statement regarding Northwest Territories midwifery services.

- 661-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding recovery of the Bathurst Caribou Herd.
- 662-19(2) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement about devolving powers to municipal governments.
- 663-19(2) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding community-based paramedic services in the Northwest Territories.

Tabling of Documents

- 353-19(2) Projected Demand for Long-Term Care Beds in the Northwest Territories: Northwest Territories Bureau of Statistics, August 2020. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
- 354-19(2) Department of Health and Social Services Response to Long-Term Care Bed Projections. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.

Motions

- 31-19(2) Extended Adjournment of the House to March 29, 2021

Moved by the Member for Yellowknife North.

NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Hay River North, that, notwithstanding Rule 4, when this House adjourns on Friday, March 12, 2021, it shall be adjourned until Monday, March 29, 2021;

AND FURTHER, that any time prior to March 29, 2021, if the Speaker is satisfied, after consultation with the Executive Council and Members of the Legislative Assembly, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time during the adjournment, or at a time later than the scheduled resumption of the House, the Speaker may give notice and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Notices of Motion for First Reading of Bills

- Bill 24: *An Act to Amend the Revolving Funds Act*
Notice given by Minister of Infrastructure.

Bill 25: *An Act to Amend the Education Act*

Notice given by Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.

Second Reading of Bills

Bill 23: *An Act to Amend the Public Utilities Act*

The Member for Nunakput, seconded by the Member for Thebacha, moved that Bill 23, *An Act to Amend the Public Utilities Act*, be read for the second time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Bill 23 was referred to the Standing Committee on Government Operations.

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Chair, the Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, reported that the Committee of the Whole considered Bill 3: *An Act to Amend the Public Highways Act*; Bill 12: *An Act to Amend the Apprenticeship, Trades and Occupational Certification Act*; Bill 13: *An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act*; Bill 14: *An Act to Amend the Securities Act*; Bill 16: *An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act*; Bill 20: *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act*; Committee Report 8-19(2): Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures Report on Motion 5-19(2), Referral of Point of Privilege Raised by Member for Monfwi on March 10, 2020; Committee Report 9-19(2): Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures Report on the Chief Electoral Officer's Report on the Administration of the 2019 Territorial General Election; Committee Report 10-19(2): Standing Committee on Economic Development and Environment Report on Bill 3: *An Act to Amend the Public Highways Act*; Minister's Statement 77-19(2): National Housing Co-Investment Fund; Tabled Document 165-19(2): Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Committee Report 1-19(2): Report on Long-Term Post-Pandemic Recovery, Recommendations to the GNWT; Tabled Document 166-19(2): Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Committee Report 2-19(2), Report on Long-Term Post-Pandemic Recovery, Recommendations to the GNWT; Tabled Document 167-19(2): Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Committee Report 3-19(2): Report on Long-Term Post-Pandemic Recovery, Recommendations to the GNWT; Tabled Document 286-19(2): Main Estimates 2021-2022; Tabled Document 348-19(2): Supplementary Estimates (Infrastructure Expenditures), No. 3, 2020-2021, and Tabled Document 349-19(2): Supplementary Estimates (Operations Expenditures), No. 3, 2020-2021, and reported progress.

The Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved concurrence of the report of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was CARRIED.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 4:51 pm.



Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Glen Rutland
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly