

Votes and Proceedings

SECOND SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, October 25, 2022

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

Members' Attendance

Present: Member for Great Slave, Honourable Member for Hay River North, Member for Hay River South, Honourable Member for Inuvik Boot Lake, Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Member for Kam Lake, Member for Monfwi, Honourable Member for Nahendeh, Member for Nunakput, Honourable Member for Range Lake, Honourable Member for Sahtu, Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, Honourable Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South.

Absent: Member for Deh Cho, Member for Frame Lake.

Ministers' Statements

- 275-19(2) The Minister of Environment and Natural Resources made a statement regarding caribou enforcement.
- 276-19(2) The Minister of Infrastructure made a statement regarding airport improvements.
- 277-19(2) The Minister of Health and Social Services made a statement regarding the Northwest Territories Health and Social Services Authority governance transformation.

Members' Statements

- 1213-19(2) The Member for Hay River South made a statement regarding flood response, mitigation and preparedness.

- 1214-19(2) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding Government of the Northwest Territories progress on Rights Agreements and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Action Plan.
- 1215-19(2) The Member for Nunakput made a statement regarding fuel prices in Nunakput communities.
- 1216-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake made a statement regarding the collection of public housing arrears.
- 1217-19(2) The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding medical travel benefits inequality.
- 1218-19(2) The Member for Thebacha made a statement regarding the closing of the Trailcross Treatment Centre in Fort Smith.
- 1219-19(2) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding the importance of the mineral resource sector.
- 1220-19(2) The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh made a statement about the court decision regarding the search of the Łutsel K'e Cultural Camp.
- 1221-19(2) The Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes made a statement regarding Elders aging in place and long-term care.
- 1222-19(2) The Honourable Member for Nahendeh delivered a eulogy for Darlene Grossetete.

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

- 35-19(2) Standing Committee on Social Development Report on Bill 48: *Arbitration Act*

The Member for Kam Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that the Standing Committee on Social Development Report on Bill 48, *Arbitration Act*, be received by the Assembly and adopted.

The motion was CARRIED.

Tabling of Documents

- 739-19(2) Aurora College Corporate Plan 2022-2023. Tabled by the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.
- 740-19(2) Operating Plans for Northwest Territories Education Bodies for the 2022-2023 School Year ending June 30, 2020. Tabled by the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.

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 Committee Report 33-19(2): Report on the Review of *Bill 52: Elevators and Lifts Act*; Bill 52: *Elevators and Lifts Act*; Bill 48: *Arbitration Act*; and Tabled Document 723-19(2): 2023-2024 Capital Estimates, and reported progress with 13 motions adopted, that consideration of Committee Report 33-19(2) is concluded, that Bill 52, *Elevators and Lifts Act*, is ready for Third Reading, and that Bill 48, *Arbitration Act*, is ready for Third Reading as amended.

Withdrawal of Committee Motion 303-19(2)

The Member for Nunakput withdrew Committee Motion 303-19(2) pursuant to rules 6.2(13) and 9.1(7).

Committee Motion 304-19(2)

The Member for Nunakput moved the following motion:

I MOVE that Committee Motion 302-19(2) be rescinded.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 305-19(2)

The Member for Nunakput moved the following motion:

I MOVE that the Government of the Northwest Territories make the report as described in section 68 of the *Act* publicly available including details not limited to: number of permits issued and in good standing, number of approvals, orders issued, prosecutions, fines, inspections, etc.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 306-19(2)

The Member for Nunakput moved the following motion:

I MOVE that the Government of the Northwest Territories proactively disclose the information contained in the registry described in section 13 of the *Act*, by making it publicly available without any fees for access.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 307-19(2)

The Member for Nunakput moved the following motion:

I MOVE that the Government of the Northwest Territories provide a response to the recommendations contained in this report within 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 308-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Hay River North moved the following motion:

I MOVE that the subclause 3(5) of Bill 48 be amended

- (a) by deleting the “or” at the end of paragraph (a);
- (b) by deleting the period at the end of paragraph (b) and substituting “; or”;
- and
- (c) by adding the following after paragraph (b):

(c) an arbitration under the *Public Service Act* or the *Education Act*.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 309-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Hay River North moved the following motion:

I MOVE that Bill 48 be amended by adding the following immediately before the heading “*Community Planning and Development Act*”:

Arbitration Act, RSNWT 1988, c.A-5

73.1. (1) The *Arbitration Act*, RSNWT 1988, c.A-5 is amended by this section.

(2) The title is repealed and the following is substituted:

ARBITRATION ACT, 1988

(3) Sections 2 and 3 are repealed and the following is substituted:

2. This Act applies to an arbitration under the *Public Service Act* or the *Education Act*.
3. For the purposes of arbitral proceedings to which this Act applies, a reference in an arbitration agreement to the “Arbitration Act” or “Arbitration Act, RSNWT 1988, c.A-5” is deemed to be a reference to this Act.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 310-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Hay River North moved the following motion:

I MOVE that Bill 48 be amended by adding the following after clause 74:

Education Act

74.1. Section 57 of the *Education Act* is amended by striking out “*Arbitration Act*” and substituting *Arbitration Act, 1988, RSNWT 1988, c.A-5*”.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 311-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Hay River North moved the following motion:

I MOVE that Bill 48 be amended by deleting clause 76 and substituting the following:

76. (1) The *Public Service Act* is amended by this section.
- (2) The following provisions are amended by striking out “*Arbitration Act*” and substituting “*Arbitration Act, 1988, RSNWT 1988, c.A-5*”:
 - (a) subsection 40.5(2);
 - (b) subsection 41.02(9).
- (3) The following provisions are amended by striking out “*Arbitration Act*” and substituting “*Arbitration Act, 1988, RSNWT 1988, c.A-5*”:
 - (a) subsection 41.02(8);
 - (b) section 43.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 312-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Hay River North moved the following motion:

I MOVE that Bill 48 be amended by deleting clause 77 and the heading immediately preceding clause 77.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 313-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Committee defer further consideration of the estimates for the Department of Infrastructure at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 314-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Committee defer further consideration of the estimates for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 315-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Committee defer further consideration of the estimates for the Department of Environment and Natural Resources at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 316-19(2)

The Honourable Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Committee defer further consideration of the estimates for the Department of Lands at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

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

The Speaker adjourned the House at 7:40 pm.



Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Tim Mercer
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly