

Votes and Proceedings

SECOND SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

May 29, 2023

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

Members' Attendance

Present: Member for Frame Lake, 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, Honourable Member for Range Lake, Honourable Member for Sahtu, Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh, Honourable Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South.

Absent: Member for Deh Cho, Member for Nunakput.

Ministers' Statements

- 358-19(2) The Minister of Justice made a statement regarding the Independent Legal Advice and Representation Program.
- 359-19(2) The Minister of Environment and Climate Change made a statement regarding the 2023 wildfire season.
- 360-19(2) The Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment made a statement on the revitalization of the Great Slave Lake commercial fishery.
- 361-19(2) The Premier made a statement about advancing treaty, land, resources and self-government agreements with Indigenous governments.

Members' Statements

- 1528-19(2) The Member for Hay River South made a statement regarding fire response.
- 1529-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding tar sands spills and discharge regulation development.
- 1530-19(2) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding cabins.
- 1531-19(2) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding addictions and treatment centres.
- 1532-19(2) The Member for Thebacha made a statement regarding the disaster assistance policy.
- 1533-19(2) The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding a Tłıchǫ administrative region.
- 1534-19(2) The Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes made a statement regarding homelessness in Inuvik.
- 1535-19(2) The Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh made a statement regarding the Kosmos 954 crash.
- 1536-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake made a statement regarding Student Financial Assistance regulations.
- 1537-19(2) The Honourable Member for Nahendeh made a statement acknowledging the retirement of Pat Rowe.

Tabling of Documents

- 933-19(2) *Environmental Rights Act* Annual Report 2022-2023. Tabled by the Minister of Environment and Climate Change.
- 934-19(2) Northwest Territories Surface Rights Board Annual Work Plan and Budget (Core Funding) for 2023/24. Tabled by the Minister of Environment and Climate Change.
- 935-19(2) Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Committee Report 43-19(2): Report on the Review of Bill 63: *An Act to Amend the Official Languages Act*. Tabled by the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.

- 936-19(2) Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Committee Report 48-19(2): Report on the Review of Bill 68: *An Act to Amend the Child Day Care Act*. Tabled by the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.
- 937-19(2) Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Committee Report 49-19(2): Report on the 2021-2022 Review of the *Official Languages Act*. Tabled by the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.
- 938-19(2) Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Motion 75-19(2): Maximum Allowable Rent Increase for Private Rental Units. Tabled by the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.
- 939-19(2) 2022 Annual Report to the Legislative Assembly under the *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act*. Tabled by the Minister of Infrastructure.

Notices of Motion for First Reading of Bills

Bill 92: *An Act to Amend the Petroleum Products and Carbon Tax Act, No. 3*. Notice given by Minister of Finance.

First Reading of Bills

Bill 90: *An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, No. 5*

The Member for Kam Lake presented Bill 90, *An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, No. 5*.

In accordance with Rule 8.2(3), the Speaker deemed Bill 90 read for the first time and ready for second reading.

Bill 91: *An Act to Amend the Petroleum Products and Carbon Tax Act, No. 2*

The Member for Frame Lake presented Bill 91, *An Act to Amend the Petroleum Products and Carbon Tax Act, No. 2*.

In accordance with Rule 8.2(3), the Speaker deemed Bill 91 read for the first time and ready for second reading.

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 79: *An Act to Amend the Judicature Act* and reported that Bill 79 was ready for third reading.

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 3:51 pm.



Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Glen Rutland
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly