



# ANNUAL REPORT

## 2022-2023





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# MESSAGE FROM THE SPEAKER

As Speaker of the 19<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly, I am proud to present the 2022-2023 Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly Annual Report. This report is an important accountability mechanism between the Legislature and the general public, as it includes a summary of the Legislature's operations, activities, and financial records of the fiscal year April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

The time frame for this report is within a period of transition. In the last year of the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly, great work was accomplished, such as the celebration of Indigenous Languages Month in February 2023, by unveiling the renaming of our meeting rooms in the territory's nine Indigenous languages. We all have a shared responsibility, to advocate for the territory's Indigenous languages and revitalize them. The re-naming of these rooms into Indigenous Languages demonstrates our commitment to that shared responsibility.

As we reflect on the past year, let us also acknowledge the challenges we faced – from the continuation of the public health crisis and economic uncertainties. Our ability to adapt, respond, and find common ground in the face of adversity demonstrates the resilience and effectiveness of our Legislative Assembly.

I extend my gratitude to all members for their hard work, dedication, and unwavering commitment to the principles of democracy. Our collaborative efforts have not only shaped the legislative landscape but have also contributed to the betterment of the lives of those we serve.

I express my deepest appreciation to the assembly staff, support teams, and all those who have contributed to the smooth functioning of our legislative processes. Together, we have upheld the principles of transparency, accountability, and public service that are the foundation of our democratic system.

Looking ahead, I am confident that the 20<sup>th</sup> assembly will continue to guide us in addressing the pressing issues facing our communities. Let us remain steadfast in our commitment to fostering a just, inclusive, and prosperous future for all.



Honourable Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker  
Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly

# MESSAGE DU PRÉSIDENT

En tant que président de la 19<sup>e</sup> Assemblée législative, je suis ravi de vous présenter le rapport annuel 2022-2023 de l'Assemblée législative des Territoires du Nord-Ouest. Ce rapport constitue un important mécanisme de reddition de compte entre l'Assemblée législative et le grand public, car il comprend un résumé des opérations, des activités et des dossiers financiers de l'Assemblée législative de l'exercice financier allant du 1<sup>er</sup> avril 2022 au 31 mars 2023.

Le présent rapport couvre une période de transition. Au cours de la dernière année de la 19<sup>e</sup> Assemblée, de grandes réalisations ont été accomplies, comme le renommage des salles de réunion dans les neuf langues autochtones des TNO, en février 2023, dans le cadre des célébrations entourant le Mois des langues autochtones. Tous ensemble, nous avons la responsabilité de défendre et de revitaliser les langues autochtones de notre territoire. Donner un nom autochtone à ces salles est, pour nous, une façon d'assumer notre engagement à cet égard.

Alors que nous faisons le bilan de la dernière année, profitons de l'occasion pour nous rappeler les défis que nous avons surmontés, que ce soit la crise de la santé publique qui persistait ou les incertitudes économiques. Notre capacité à nous adapter, à intervenir et à s'entendre lorsque nous faisons face à des situations difficiles démontre la résilience et l'efficacité de notre Assemblée législative.

Je tiens à remercier tous les membres pour leur travail acharné, leur dévouement et leur engagement inébranlable envers les principes de la démocratie. Non seulement nos efforts concertés ont permis de façonner le paysage législatif, mais ils ont également amélioré la vie des personnes que nous servons.

J'exprime ma profonde gratitude au personnel de l'Assemblée, aux équipes de soutien et à tous ceux qui ont contribué au bon fonctionnement de notre processus législatif. Ensemble, nous avons fait valoir les principes de transparence, de responsabilité et les principes du service public sur lesquels repose notre système démocratique.

Je suis convaincu que la 20<sup>e</sup> Assemblée continuera à nous guider dans la résolution des questions les plus urgentes auxquelles nos collectivités sont confrontées. Demeurons fermes dans notre engagement à favoriser un avenir juste, inclusif et prospère pour tous.



Frederick Blake Jr., ancien président

Assemblée législative des Territoires du Nord  
Ouest

# GINJIH GIDAAGHOO GWICHIT DIIYAH GWAANDAK

Northwest Territories geenjit 19<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly gwizhit Gijih Gidaagho Gwicht ihlii ts'at 2022-2023 guuzhik Legislative Assembly gwizhit dagweedi'in' nihkwah gwahalandak geenjit shoh ihlih. April 1, 2022 ts'at March 31, 2023 gwits'at jii Legislature gwizhit dagweedi'in' geenjit uu'ok kat guuvah tr'igwahaandak gwijiinchii goonlih, gwizhit gwitr'it gwiltsaii ts'at nits'oo tseedhoh t'atr'ijahch'u' jii gwizhit goo'aih.

Jii diiyah gwilndak guuzhik nihkwah ejuk gwiniindhat. Jii 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly gwizhit gweedhaa guuzhik gwiiyeendoo gwitr'it gwiinzii gugwiltsaii, Diiginjik Gwisriinanh Nohjuu Ts'an 2023 gwizhit gwiinli' ts'at geenjit shoh hah nihkhah srigoonch'uu tr'igwiltsaii, aii ts'at diiginjik vanchoh nak'oh zhak dhitin nihlinehch'i' goonlii zhìt nihkhah finaadal gwideek'it geenjit uuzrii k'eejit tr'itsaii. Nihwinanhkak gwizhit nihwiginjik goonlii ts'at chan nihwiginjik t'ahdahch'aa tr'igwahaatsaa, nihkhah nihwigwitr'it diinch'uh. Nihkhah finaadal gwideek'it diiginjik zhìt uuzrii k'eejit tr'itsaii k'iighè' nihwiginjik gwiiyeendoo gwijiinchii goonlii niidadhan geenjit gwitr'it gwaatsii uu'ok tr'igwahnah'ah.

Jii nagwidadhat gwitoh goodlit guuzhik gwiiyeendoo nihwigwitr'it gugoontri', ts'ik diitat nahdaath'ak ts'at tseedhoh gwiiyeendoo tr'idi'in kwaa gwizhit gwiinli'. Diiyeenjit gugoontrii

guuzhik gwiinzii nihkhah geenjit gwitr'it dhaatsaii k'iighè' jii Legislative Assembly gwit'aii goonlii tr'igwinah'inh.

Jii gwizhit nihkhah gwiinzii gwitr'it t'igwah'in' kat gwitr'it gwiniint'aih giltsaii geenjit mahsi' guuvahnuh. Nihkhah gwiinzii gwitr'it dhaatsaii k'iighè' jii legislative gwiiyeendoo gwiinzii tr'igwiltsaii ts'at uu'ok t'aniinch'uu kat chan gwiinzii t'igiinch'uh.

Jii gwizhit gwitr'it t'agwah'in' kat tthak ts'at juudin gwiinzii gwihee'aa geenjit nihkwits'at tr'iinjik, mahsi' choo guuvahnuh. Uu'ok t'aniinch'uu guuveenjit ti'hah chigwijuu'ee gwinjik nihkhah gwitr'it dhaatsaii.

Yeendoo gwini'ii d'è' uu'ok kaiik'it gwizhit nih'i'ujuk gugoontrii guuveenjit gwihee'aa jii jii 20<sup>th</sup> assembly guuveenjit gwiiyeendoo gwiinzii gwitr'it gahahtsaa nihthan. Uu'ok kat tthak yeendoo gwiinzii gugwiheendaii geenjit nihk'it guuts'at tr'ihidandal geenjit nihkhah khanakhaandaih.



Fredrick Blake Jr. Gijih Gidaagho Gwicht linli'

Northwest Territories Eenjit Dagwidji'è'  
Tr'igwahtsaii Geenjit Nadhat Kat"



# MEET THE MEMBERS

## AS OF MARCH 31, 2023



**RONALD BONNETROUGE**  
Deh Cho



**KEVIN O'REILLY**  
Frame Lake



**KATRINA NOKLEBY**  
Great Slave



**R.J. SIMPSON**  
Hay River North



**ROCKY SIMPSON**  
Hay River South



**DIANE ARCHIE**  
Inuvik Boot Lake



**LESA SEMMLER**  
Inuvik Twin Lakes



**CAITLIN CLEVELAND**  
Kam Lake



**FREDERICK BLAKE JR.**  
Mackenzie Delta



**JANE WEYALLON ARMSTRONG**  
Monfwi



**SHANE THOMPSON**  
Nahendeh



**JACKIE JACOBSON**  
Nunakput



**CAROLINE COCHRANE**  
Range Lake



**PAULIE CHINNA**  
Sahtu



**FRIEDA MARTELSELOS**  
Thebacha



**RICHARD EDJERICON**  
Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh



**JULIE GREEN**  
Yellowknife Centre



**RYLUND JOHNSON**  
Yellowknife North



**CAROLINE WAWZONEK**  
Yellowknife South



# MEET THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

## AS OF MARCH 31, 2023



**HONOURABLE CAROLINE COCHRANE**  
Premier  
Minister of Executive and Indigenous Affairs  
Minister Responsible for the COVID-19 Coordinating Secretariat



**HONOURABLE DIANE ARCHIE**  
Deputy Premier  
Minister of Infrastructure  
Minister Responsible for the  
Northwest Territories Power Corporation



**HONOURABLE SHANE THOMPSON**  
Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs  
Minister of Environment and Natural  
Resources  
Minister of Lands  
Minister Responsible for Youth



**HONOURABLE PAULIE CHINNA**  
Minister Responsible for the NWT  
Housing Corporation  
Minister Responsible for Homelessness  
Minister Responsible for the Public  
Utilities Board  
Minister Responsible for the Workers'  
Safety and Compensation Commission



**HONOURABLE CAROLINE WAWZONEK**  
Minister of Finance  
Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment,  
including responsibility for the Business  
Development and Investment Corporation  
Minister Responsible for the  
Status of Women



**HONOURABLE R.J. SIMPSON**  
Government House Leader  
Minister of Education  
Culture and Employment  
Minister of Justice



**HONOURABLE JULIE GREEN**  
Minister of Health and Social Services  
Minister Responsible for  
Persons with Disabilities  
Minister Responsible for Seniors





# STATUTORY OFFICERS

## 2022-2023

Statutory officers also called independent officers play an important part in helping Members hold the government accountable. They help Members monitor and assess government programs, procedures, and performance. Statutory officers serve for fixed terms that vary according to the laws governing each position. These officers are appointed by, and report to, the Legislative Assembly.

### OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

Elections NWT conducts and administers general elections, by-elections, and plebiscites in the Northwest Territories. Its principal mandate is to educate, inform and empower all eligible electors and candidates in the Northwest Territories to exercise their democratic rights outlined in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, so that they may participate fully in the election process.

✉ [electionsnwt@gov.nt.ca](mailto:electionsnwt@gov.nt.ca)

🌐 [www.electionsnwt.ca/](http://www.electionsnwt.ca/)

### OFFICE OF THE LANGUAGES COMMISSIONER

The Languages Commissioner's duty is to ensure that institutions of the Legislative Assembly and the Government respect the spirit, intent and provisions of the *Official Languages Act* and the provisions of any other Act or regulation relating to the status or use of official languages.

✉ [admin@olc-nt.ca](mailto:admin@olc-nt.ca)

🌐 <https://olc-nt.ca/>

### OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER

The Information and Privacy Commissioner provides independent oversight of government's activities under the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and under the *Health Information Act*.

✉ [admin@atipp-nt.ca](mailto:admin@atipp-nt.ca)

🌐 <https://oipc-nt.ca/>



## Statutory officers play an important part in helping Members hold the government accountable.

### OFFICE OF THE INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER

The Integrity Commissioner administers the conflict of interest provisions and Code of Conduct for MLAs contained in Part 3 of the Legislative Assembly and *Executive Council Act*.

✉ [dpjones@sagecounsel.com](mailto:dpjones@sagecounsel.com)

🌐 [https://ntassembly.libguides.com/NT\\_Integrity\\_Commissioner](https://ntassembly.libguides.com/NT_Integrity_Commissioner)

### OFFICE OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

The *Human Rights Act* came into force on July 1, 2004. The Act recognizes that in the Northwest Territories every individual is free and equal in dignity and rights, without regard to their race, colour, ancestry, nationality, ethnic origin, place of origin, creed, religion, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, family status, family affiliation, political association or social condition and without regard to whether he or she has had a conviction for which a pardon has been granted.

✉ [info@nwthumanrights.ca](mailto:info@nwthumanrights.ca)

🌐 <https://nwthumanrights.ca/>

### OFFICE OF THE EQUAL PAY COMMISSIONER

The right to equal pay for work of equal value is created by section 40 of the *Public Service Act* and applies to public service employees. It requires that there be no differences in the rate of pay between male and female employees who perform work of equal value in the same establishment. The Equal Pay Commissioner receives complaints from employees who believe that their right to equal pay for work of equal value has been violated.

✉ [info@reneecaron.ca](mailto:info@reneecaron.ca)

🌐 [https://ntassembly.libguides.com/Equal\\_Pay\\_Commissioner](https://ntassembly.libguides.com/Equal_Pay_Commissioner)

### OFFICE OF THE OMBUD

The Ombud administers the *Ombud Act* to promote and protect the public's right to administrative fairness in their dealings with GNWT departments, health and social services authorities, housing authorities, and many other territorial public services. The Ombud is impartial and independent from the government.

✉ [info@nwtombud.ca](mailto:info@nwtombud.ca)

🌐 <https://nwtombud.ca/>



# STANDING COMMITTEES - 2022-2023

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT

### MARCH 2023 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

- Kevin O'Reilly, Chair
- Lesa Semmler, Deputy Chair
- Rylund Johnson
- Katrina Nokleby
- Caitlin Cleveland
- Richard Edjericon
- Ronald Bonnetrouge
- Frieda Martselos
- Rocky Simpson
- Jane Weyallon Armstrong
- Jackie Jacobson

The Standing Committee on Accountability and Oversight is the body where all 11 Regular Members come together to coordinate sessional business and Committee strategic initiatives. This Committee also reviews issues which have government-wide implications.



Committee held 55 meetings between April 2022 and March 2023. During this fiscal period, Committee was satisfied with its unified efforts to negotiate additional funding for important initiatives in the 2023-2024 budget: namely, the sustainable livelihoods fund; emergency response; Non-Government Organizations inflationary increases; the Support for Entrepreneur and Economic Development (SEED) program; mental wellness and aftercare; youth, sport and recreation; and homelessness prevention.

Committee also held a public meeting on February 10, 2023 with the Premier on the subject of how the Government planned to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.



## STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

### MARCH 2023 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Rylund Johnson, Chair  
Frieda Martselos, Deputy Chair  
Richard Edjericon  
Lesa Semmler  
Caitlin Cleveland

### ALTERNATES:

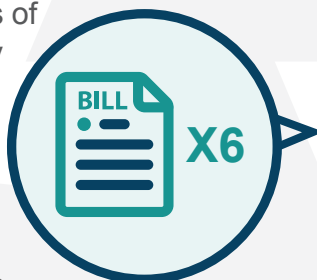
Jackie Jacobson  
Kevin O'Reilly

The Standing Committee on Government Operations considers matters pertaining to these Departments: Executive and Indigenous Affairs, Finance, Municipal and Community Affairs, as well as the Northwest Territories Power Corporation, and the Workers Safety and Compensation Commission.

The other responsibilities of the Committee include performing reviews of annual reports released by the Statutory Officers of the Legislative Assembly, the Government of the Northwest Territories Public Accounts, and the Auditor General of Canada.

In their final year, Committee completed reports on the priorities they set for themselves: Increasing Indigenous representation in the Public Service and Official Languages.

This process began with public consultations in-person when possible, and via ZOOM as necessary. To ensure they performed thorough reviews Committee held internal briefings with the Departments, followed by public briefings prior to travelling into communities and meeting with the public.



By years end Committee fulfilled their responsibilities as mandated by the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly, and completed their initiatives. After forty nine (49) meetings Committee's hard work culminated in the following reports:



- Indigenous Representation in the Northwest Territories Public Service
- Review of the 2022 Audit of Addictions Prevention and Recovery Services – Office of the Auditor General of Canada
- Review of the 2020-2021 Public Accounts

Six Bills were referred to and concluded by Committee in this fiscal year.

- **Bill 60:** An Act to Amend the *Petroleum Products and Carbon Tax Act*
- **Bill 61:** An Act to Amend the *Ombud Act*
- **Bill 62:** An Act to Amend the *Income Tax Act*, No. 2
- **Bill 63:** An Act to Amend the *Official Languages Act*
- **Bill 66:** An Act to Amend the *Property Assessment and Taxation Act*
- **Bill 67:** An Act to Amend the *Fire Prevention Act*





## STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

### MARCH 2023 MEMBERS:

Caitlin Cleveland, Chair  
Katrina Nokleby, Deputy Chair  
Richard Edjericon  
Ronald Bonnetrouge  
Lesa Semmler  
Jane Weyallon Armstrong

### ALTERNATES:

Rylund Johnson  
Frieda Martselos  
Rocky Simpson

The Standing Committee on Social Development is mandated to consider matters with respect to the Departments of Education, Culture and Employment; Health and Social Services; Justice; and Housing Northwest Territories. Their responsibilities include reviewing performance and multi-year business plans on budgets, bills, boards and agencies. This also includes the Status of Women Council, programs for seniors, youth, and persons with disabilities, homelessness and any matter referred by the House.

Committee's priority for the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly was set to increase and improve housing stock as well as access to housing according to the needs identified by Northwest Territories residents. Throughout the Assembly, committee has continually engaged with the public, held public meetings and accepted submissions to address Housing needs.



Committee held 56 meetings during this fiscal year and submitted two committee reports. On March 7, 2023, Committee released their report on Homelessness Prevention – Supporting Pathways to Housing NWT Residents. The focus

of the study was homelessness prevention, this refers to targeted policies, practices and interventions that prevent a person from experiencing homelessness or reducing the risk of homelessness recurring. Prevention is key as it also provides the necessary resources, supports and other integrated services as a pathway out of homelessness. Committee made 18 recommendations to various departments with the intention of preventing or reducing the number of NWT residents who may experience homelessness in the future, and interventions for those who are currently experiencing homelessness.



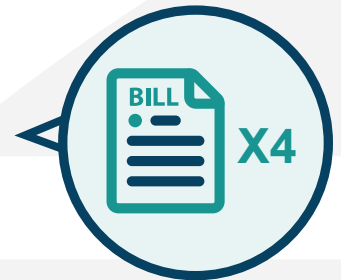


In October 2022, the Office of the Chief Coroner released the 2021-2022 Early Release of Suicide Data to raise alarm on the upsurge of deaths to suicide. On March 27, 2023, the Standing Committee on Social Development released their Report on Lifting Youth Voices: Recommendations on Suicide Prevention. Committee took two approaches to this report, suicide prevention which focused on strategies that reduce the loss of life to suicide, and a trauma informed approach that recognizes a person holistically and acknowledges that a person may have or is currently experiencing trauma.

Following their review, Committee made 11 recommendations some of which were regarding prevention, mental health and wellness, aftercare, addictions support, healing and housing.



Committee had 4 Bills referred to them, reviews were completed and reports released on the following:



- Report on Review of **Bill 68**: An Act to Amend the *Child Day Care Act*
- Interim Report on **Bill 65**: *Builders' Lien Act*
- Report on **Bill 48**: *Arbitration Act*
- Report on **Bill 40**: An Act to Amend the *Medical Profession Act*



## STANDING COMMITTEE ON RULES AND PROCEDURES

### MARCH 2023 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Jackie Jacobson, Chair  
Rocky Simpson, Deputy Chair  
Minister Shane Thompson  
Kevin O'Reilly

### ALTERNATES:

Rylund Johnson  
Minister R.J. Simpson

This work stemmed from Committee's February 2021 Report on its review of the CEO's Report on the Administration of the 2019 Territorial General Election; in Committee's Report, it directed the CEO to conduct additional research on some outstanding matters and report back to the Legislative Assembly.

On March 29, 2022, the Speaker tabled the results of the CEO's research in his Auxiliary Report of the Chief Electoral Officer: Issues Arising from the 2019 General Election.

After careful review of the CEO's newest report, Committee's report contained a total of eight recommendations to streamline future elections. The recommendations address areas of concern brought up by the Chief Electoral Officer as well as the Electoral Boundaries Commission.



The Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures met five times and produced one written report between April 2022 and March 2023. Committee presented its report titled "Report on the Chief Electoral Officer's Auxiliary Report: Issues Arising from the 2019 Territorial Election" to the House on October 13, 2022.



## SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RECONCILIATION AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

### MARCH 2023 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Lesa Semmler, Chair  
Rylund Johnson, Deputy Chair  
Frieda Martselos  
Minister R.J. Simpson  
Minister Caroline Wawzonek

### EX-OFFICIO

Premier Caroline Cochrane

The Special Committee on Reconciliation and Indigenous Affairs (Committee) was created on October 29, 2020. Committee was mandated to seek and encourage discussion and recommendations with respect to opportunities and challenges in meeting the Assembly's priorities on land negotiations, self government agreements and implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).

In December 2020, Canada released a proposal for legislation to implement the UNDRIP and passed it into law in June 2021.

Canada replaced the Comprehensive Land Claims Policy with the paradigm of co-development for Crown-Indigenous dialogue. Canada aims to increase flexibility in negotiations and respond to Indigenous nations' rights, needs and interests. The federal government indicated removing final settlement language and replacing rights extinguishment clauses with flexible agreements.

With the process for negotiation agreed upon in advance in co-developed Memoranda of Understanding and Framework Agreements.

The Special Committee began its work on December 4, 2020, and heard from legal experts, scholars, researchers, Government of the Northwest Territories, Federal Government and Indigenous governments and nations. Witnesses locally and nationally met predominately virtually, with Committee, to share their perspectives. Committee held five meetings during their last year with a total of 26 in all.

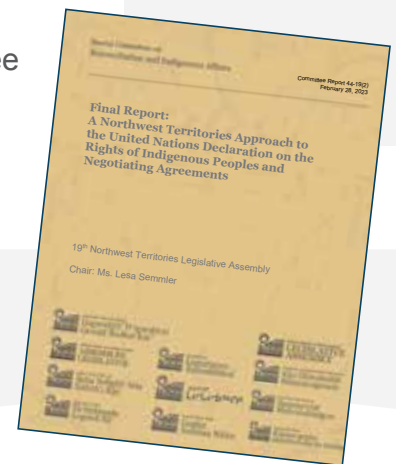


The Committee published their Final Report:

*A Northwest Territories Approach to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Negotiating Agreements* (February 28, 2023).

Committee's deliberations culminated in a series of recommendations directed at:

- Ensuring informed governance.
- Enabling an NWT constitutional framework.
- Monitoring UNDRIP implementation.
- Making GNWT policies consistent with UNDRIP.
- Concluding land agreements





## STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

### MARCH 2023 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Jackie Jacobson, Chair  
 Ronald Bonnetrouge, Deputy Chair  
 Rylund Johnson  
 Katrina Nokleby  
 Kevin O'Reilly

### ALTERNATES:

Caitlin Cleveland  
 Lesa Semmler



On May 26, 2022, **Bill 46:** An Act to Amend the *Motor Vehicles Act* was reported back to the House by Committee as ready to proceed to Committee of the Whole.

SCEDE reviewed **Bill 53:** *Elevators and Lifts Act* and read a report on its review in the House on October 18, 2022.

The second report produced by SCEDE during the fiscal year was titled “Report on the Prevention and Management of Contaminated Sites.” Read in the House on February 7, 2023, the report advances work on the Committee’s priority regarding contaminated sites. The report contained 16 recommendations to the Government of the Northwest Territories regarding contaminated sites in the NWT.

In March 2023, three bills were referred to SCEDE for review:

**Bill 74:** *Forest Act.*

**Bill 78:** *Waste Reduction and Resource Recovery Act.*

**Bill 84:** An Act to Amend the *Northwest Territories Business Development and Investment Corporation Act.*

**Bill 74:** *Forest Act* will be a notably different review process, as it will be the first co-drafted resource management bill to make its way through the legislative process in the House under a newly signed process convention for reviewing co-drafted bills.



Within 32 meetings in the fiscal year, the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Environment (SCEDE) reviewed two pieces of legislation and focused its effort

on its priority to ensure the Northwest Territories is well positioned to prevent environmental liabilities, effectively manage contaminated sites, and stimulate local economic opportunities through remediation.

SCEDE was also pleased to visit Whatì in the summer of 2022 to speak with residents about community concerns regarding the economy and environment.



# BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

**Chair:** The Honourable Frederick Blake Jr.

**Members:** Jackie Jacobson  
Caitlin Cleveland  
Minister Diane Archie  
Minister Paulie Chinna

**Alternates:** Rocky Simpson  
Ronald Bonnetrouge  
Minister R.J. Simpson  
Premier Caroline Cochrane

The Board of Management (the Board) is a corporate body established under the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*. The existence of the Board reflects the right and privilege of the House to govern its internal affairs and confirms the independence of the Assembly from the executive branch of government.

The Board is responsible for the overall management and administration of the Legislative Assembly, including the provision of services to Members and the establishment of policies regarding their conduct.

The composition of the Board includes the Speaker, two Members of the Executive Council, and two Regular Members.



# OFFICE OF THE CLERK

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly is entrusted with the authority, responsibilities, and functions to that of a Deputy Minister, charged with the management and administration of the Legislative Assembly, in accordance with the terms outlined in the *Public Service Act* and the *Financial Administration Act*.

## New Clerk Appointed

The Speaker, Frederick Blake Jr., welcomed the appointment of Glen Rutland as the new Clerk of the Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly. This appointment was approved by the Legislative Assembly, on April 1, 2023.

Mr. Rutland's public service career and his expertise in parliamentary law and procedure span more than 20 years. Mr. Rutland served as the Deputy Law Clerk, Law Clerk, and Deputy Clerk, House Procedure and Committees at the Assembly.

The Speaker thanks Mr. Tim Mercer for his dedicated service as Clerk of the Northwest Territories since 2003. During his tenure as Clerk, Mr. Mercer showed exemplary leadership in the House, to the benefit of all Northerners. Mr. Mercer served six legislatures and presided over five transitions of Government. He served two terms as President of the Association of Clerks at the Table in Canada and is widely recognized as an expert on parliamentary procedure and consensus government.



“Glen Rutland is an excellent choice for Clerk of the Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly. With his vast knowledge of rules, procedures, practices and precedent, along with his decades of dedicated public service, I have no doubt Mr. Rutland will continue to serve Northerners in the tradition of his predecessors and the Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories.”

~ Hon. Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker



# BY THE NUMBERS

## TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLIC COMMITTEE MEETINGS

65

## TOTAL NUMBER OF LEGISLATION ASSENTED

25

## NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

56

STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT

36

STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

50

STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

5

STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON RULES AND PROCEDURE

5

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF  
RECONCILIATION AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

## HOUSE STATISTICS

40

NUMBER OF SITTING DAYS

223

MOTIONS MOVED INTO  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

208

MOTIONS CARRIED INTO  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

28

HOUSE MOTIONS MOVED

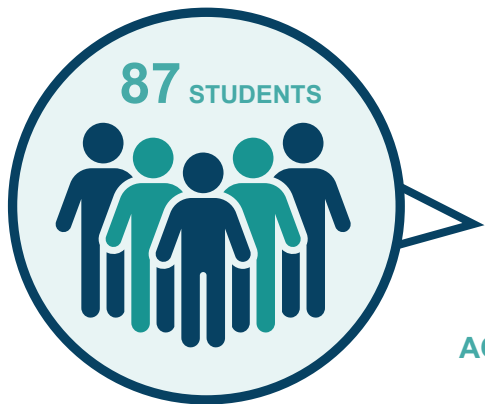
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HOUSE MOTIONS CARRIED



# OUTREACH: PAGE PROGRAM

In 2022-2023, the Legislative Assembly welcomed 87 youth from across the Northwest Territories through the Page Program. The page program is designed to allow junior high school students in grades eight and nine an opportunity to see, first-hand, how public policy is decided by the Legislative Assembly. Pages are selected on a rotational basis from each constituency/ community/school from the Northwest Territories.



FROM 9  
COMMUNITIES  
ACROSS THE NWT



PAGES WORK IN THE CHAMBER FOR ABOUT 15-HOURS PER WEEK AND GET PAID MINIMUM WAGE.

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# OUTREACH: KINDERGARTEN CHRISTMAS

The much-anticipated Kindergarten Christmas Program of 2022 marked a successful return to the planning observed before the onset of COVID-19. After several years of closure to the public due to pandemic-related restrictions, the Legislative Assembly building once again opened its doors to the enthusiastic students. This event, eagerly awaited by students, schools, and Assembly staff alike, has been a cherished tradition since the inauguration of the Legislative Assembly building in 1993.

Each year, the Assembly extends invitations to kindergarten classes from Dettah, Ndilo, and Yellowknife to participate in the festive occasion, adorning a Christmas tree in the Great Hall.

In the year 2022, the program witnessed the enthusiastic participation of 276 students from 9 schools, resulting in the decoration of 13 trees in the Great Hall. The kindergarten students showcased their creativity by crafting homemade Christmas decorations for the Legislative Assembly.

Upon completion of the decoration process, as the Great Hall shimmered with the glow of Christmas trees and ornaments, captivating staff, and visitors instilling a profound sense of Christmas spirit.







## OUTREACH: YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Annually, the Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly offers a unique opportunity for students in grades nine and ten from across the Northwest Territories to travel to Yellowknife to take on the role of an elected Member and participate in the daily workings of consensus government at the Legislative Assembly.

Nineteen students are chosen from each electoral district to assume the role of their MLA. Each parliamentarian participates in specific duties like research, writing a Member's/Minister's statement, and taking part in debate. The end goal was to hold a mock session in the chamber where they take what they have learned and apply it to have their voice heard by the people of the Northwest Territories in a mock sitting.

Youth Parliament 2022 took place on May 8-13, 2022, and Youth Parliament 2023 took place on April 16-21, 2023, in Yellowknife. Both events were successful but took two different approaches. The 2022 edition, was restored quickly after the COVID-19 restrictions were lifted, therefore, planning for this event was similar to past years, where a cabinet was formed and the group of regular members. During 2023, a new approach was established to learning about our unique government. Instead of being separated into two groups, all the youth parliamentarians stayed as one large group and learned all the same things, at the same pace.

# MACE TOUR

Annually, the Speaker and some of the staff of the Legislative Assembly embark on a community tour with the Mace, eager to share its history and significance. The Mace honours the vibrant culture of the Northwest Territories by bringing together northern elements, painting, carving, metalwork, beadwork, quillwork, and pebbles from each of the 33 communities.

In April 2023, the Speaker of the House Frederick Blake Jr, took the mace on a tour of a couple NWT communities. However, upon reaching his hometown of Tsiigehtchic, Mr. Blake found the path to his home community blocked.

When the only road into town is blocked and you need to continue the Official NWT Mace tour, you just have the Honourable Speaker snowmobile it into town by sled. Ensuring the Mace's journey remained uninterrupted.





# OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

## EXPANSION OF LANGUAGES IN THE SELF-GUIDED TOUR

The Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly is pleased to announce the addition of the Tłıchǝ language to the self-guided audio tour, in celebration of Indigenous Language Month. This marks a significant step towards language revitalization and advancing reconciliation.

<https://app.smartify.org/en-GB/tours/northwest-territories-legislative-assembly?tourLanguage=en-GB>

## INSPIRED BY NATURE, REFLECTED IN LANGUAGE

The Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly celebrated Indigenous Languages Month (February) by unveiling the renaming of its meeting rooms in the territory’s nine Indigenous languages.

The Legislative Assembly’s meeting room re-naming project which was inspired by nature and reflected in language. The project includes representation of all Official Languages and regions in the Northwest Territories. Each of the nine rooms chosen is represented by a northern animal, and the name and description has been translated into one of Indigenous languages as well as French. Illustrations were done by an NWT-born Indigenous artist, Trey Madsen and symbolize the traits associated with each animal, bringing deeper meaning to the work that takes place in each meeting room.

All Members, staff and the public are encouraged to use the translated room names to integrate Indigenous languages into everyday work.

	<p>Shih Deek'it Salle Grizzli Grizzly Room</p>
	<p>Ts'et'jah Eghálats'eda k'e Salle Ombre arctique Arctic Grayling Room</p>
	<p>Det'anchogh Salle Aigle Eagle Room</p>
	<p>Nqgére Dek'ale K'é Salle Renard arctique Arctic Fox Room</p>
	<p>Tuttum Inauranga Salle Caribou Caribou Room</p>
	<p>ᑭᓱᓇᓇᓇᓇ Qinalugaq Salle Béluga Beluga Room</p>
	<p>Sakâwmostos piskihcikipahikan Salle Bison Bison Room</p>
	<p>Wohgwı Nıht'è K'è Yats'ehtı Kq̄a Salle de lecture Hibou Owl Reading Room</p>
	<p>Umingmak Katimavik Salle Bœuf musqué Muskox Room</p>





## SPEAKER AND CLERK TRADITIONAL JACKETS

In 2023 the Legislative Assembly made major adjustments to the Chamber uniform. The long black barristers' robes worn by the Clerks during Session were replaced with traditional jackets. The Speaker, Honourable Frederick Blake Jr. commissioned artist Ann Firth-Jones to create new garments to reflect our shared commitment to diversity and reconciliation.

Ms. Firth-Jones created these beautiful Gwich'in style parka covers representative of the Makenzie Delta region where she grew up. Ms. Firth Jones learned to sew from her mother and continues to pass this tradition onto her family and youth.

**“It’s important for me as Speaker to change the status quo and incorporate our northern cultures and traditions at every opportunity,”**

**~ Hon. Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker**

# ACCOUNTABILITY

**ANNUAL REPORT RESPECTING MEMBERS'  
INDEMNITIES AND ALLOWANCES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
MARCH 31, 2023 19TH ASSEMBLY**

**CAPITAL ACCOMMODATION EXPENSES UNDER SECTION 24  
REIMBURSED TO OR INCURRED BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023  
19TH ASSEMBLY**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Constituency</b>	<b>Rent</b>	<b>Cable/ Internet</b>	<b>Telephone</b>	<b>Utilities</b>	<b>Furniture</b>	<b>Insurance</b>	<b>Total</b>
BONNETROUGE, Ronald	DEH CHO	25,074	2,363		584	250		28,270
SIMPSON, RJ	HAY RIVER NORTH	30,000	-		-	-	-	30,000
SIMPSON, Rocky	HAY RIVER SOUTH	30,000	-		-	1,000	-	31,000
ARCHIE, Diane	INUVIK BOOT LAKE	26,400	750		-	3,784	-	30,934
SEMLER, Lesa	INUVIK TWIN LAKES	24,788	767	-	-	-	-	25,555
BLAKE JR., Frederick	MACKENZIE DELTA	2,730	2,670	-	-	-	-	5,400
WEYALLON ARMSTRONG, Jane	MONFWI	19,188	1,357	-	-	6,524	-	27,069
THOMPSON, Shane	NAHENDEH	27,600	-	-	-	-	-	27,600
JACOBSON, Jackie	NUNAKPUT	24,120	-	-	-	-	-	24,120
CHINNA, Paulie	SAHTU	31,000	-	-	-	-	-	31,000
MARTSELOS, Frieda	THEBACHA	28,800	818	-	-	-	-	29,618

Tabled pursuant to Section 35(b) of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*.



**EXPENSES RELATED TO CONSTITUENCY WORK, UNDER SECTION 29  
REIMBURSED TO OR INCURRED BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023  
19TH ASSEMBLY**

Member	Constituency	Travel & Transportation	Materials & Supplies	Purchased Services	Contract Services	Fees & Payments	Computer Hardware/Software	Constituency Assistant	Total Expenditure	Total Budget
BONNETROUGE, Ronald	DEH CHO	2,296	4,733	7,684	-	-	-	22	14,734	102,555
O'REILLY, Kevin	FRAME LAKE	-	10,393	26,445	-	-	-	51,464	88,303	94,113
NOKLEBY, Katrina	GREAT SLAVE	-	19,759	19,181	-	-	-	54,806	93,745	94,113
SIMPSON, RJ	HAY RIVER NORTH	2,828	6,888	5,445	-	-	-	74,277	89,438	98,936
SIMPSON, Rocky	HAY RIVER SOUTH	1,323	10,132	9,298	-	-	-	78,183	98,936	98,936
ARCHIE, Diane	INUVIK BOOT LAKE	4,727	6,416	13,314	-	-	-	61,133	85,590	102,555
SEMMLER, Lesa	INUVIK TWIN LAKES	2,993	944	12,299	-	-	-	63,344	79,581	102,555
CLEVELAND, Caitlin	KAM LAKE	-	10,160	11,077	-	-	-	68,905	90,141	94,113
BLAKE JR., Frederick	MACKENZIE DELTA	4,258	10,277	17,718	2,629	-	-	72,500	107,382	107,382
WEYALLON ARMSTRONG, Jane	MONFWI	10,500	3,236	9,917	42,349	-	-	29,583	93,231	102,555
THOMPSON, Shane	NAHENDEH	2,189	1,949	3,317	-	-	-	85,679	93,135	106,173
JACOBSON, Jackie	NUNAKPUT	6,957	2,651	14,437	-	-	-	78,971	103,016	110,998
COCHRANE, Caroline	RANGE LAKE	-	190	4,890	-	-	-	50,780	55,419	94,113
CHINNA, Paulie	SAHTU	29,293	11,720	9,133	-	675	-	58,828	109,649	109,792
MARTSELOS, Frieda	THEBACHA	7,802	7,327	8,164	-	-	-	74,736	98,028	100,144
EDJERICON, Richard	TU NEDHE-WIILIDEH	5,583	3,288	6,448	-	-	-	87,236	102,555	102,555
GREEN, Julie	YELLOWKNIFE CENTRE	-	5,670	20,730	-	-	-	51,281	77,681	94,113
JOHNSON, Rylund	YELLOWKNIFE NORTH	-	6,394	10,787	-	-	-	49,257	66,438	94,113
WAWZONEK, Caroline	YELLOWKNIFE SOUTH	-	3,905	12,629	-	100	-	50,727	67,360	94,113

EXPENSES: represent funds reimbursed to Members or paid on their behalf for constituency expenses incurred upon submission of original invoices.

Tabled pursuant to Section 35(c) of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*.

**INDEMNITIES UNDER SECTION 17(1) & 18(1), ALLOWANCES UNDER SECTIONS 19 & 20  
REIMBURSED TO OR INCURRED BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023**

**19TH ASSEMBLY**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Constituency</b>	<b>MLA Indemnity (1)</b>	<b>Ministerial Indemnity (2)</b>	<b>Speaker Indemnity (3)</b>	<b>Extra Duties (4)</b>	<b>Allowance for Expenses (5)</b>	<b>Northern Allowance (6)</b>
BONNETROUGE, Ronald	DEH CHO	114,527	0	0	4,841	16,506	9,021
O'REILLY, Kevin	FRAME LAKE	114,527	0	0	10,530	8,253	3,700
NOKLEBY, Katrina	GREAT SLAVE	114,527	0	0	0	8,253	3,700
SIMPSON, RJ	HAY RIVER NORTH	114,527	0	0	4,841	16,506	5,282
SIMPSON, Rocky	HAY RIVER SOUTH	114,527	61,296	0	0	16,506	5,282
ARCHIE, Diane	INUVIK BOOT LAKE	114,527	61,296	0	0	16,506	15,279
SEMLER, Lesa	INUVIK TWIN LAKES	114,527	0	0	8,065	16,506	15,279
CLEVELAND, Caitlin	KAM LAKE	114,527	0	0	7,146	8,253	3,700
BLAKE JR., Frederick	MACKENZIE DELTA	114,527	0	49,849	0	16,506	21,844
WEYALLON ARMSTRONG, Jane	MONFWI	114,527	0	0	0	16,506	5,517
THOMPSON, Shane	NAHENDEH	114,527	61,296	0	0	16,506	12,785
JACOBSON, Jackie	NUNAKPUT	114,527	0	0	7,146	16,506	20,436
COCHRANE, Caroline	RANGE LAKE	114,527	87,106	0	0	8,253	3,700
CHINNA, Paulie	SAHTU	114,527	61,296	0	0	16,506	21,402
MARTSELOS, Frieda	THEBACHA	114,527	0	0	3,573	16,506	7,374
EDJERICON, Richard	TU NEDHE-WIILIDEH	114,527	0	0	0	8,253	3,700
GREEN, Julie	YELLOWKNIFE CENTRE	114,527	61,296	0	0	8,253	3,700
JOHNSON, Rylund	YELLOWKNIFE NORTH	114,527	0	0	7,146	8,253	3,700
WAWZONEK, Caroline	YELLOWKNIFE SOUTH	114,527	61,296	0	0	8,253	3,700

1. **MLA ANNUAL INDEMNITY** : Annual figure of \$114,527 uniform for all members

Tabled pursuant to Section 35(a) of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*.

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023  
19TH ASSEMBLY**

Member	Constituency	Promotional	Special	Presentation	Other Materials &	Total
		Items	Occasion Items	Items	Supplies	Materials & Supplies
BONNETROUGE, Ronald	DEH CHO	2,494			2,239	4,733
O'REILLY, Kevin	FRAME LAKE				10,393	10,393
NOKLEBY, Katrina	GREAT SLAVE	12,412	494		6,854	19,759
SIMPSON, RJ	HAY RIVER NORTH	-	2,530		4,358	6,888
SIMPSON, Rocky	HAY RIVER SOUTH	2,930			7,202	10,132
ARCHIE, Diane	INUVIK BOOT LAKE	1,960			4,455	6,416
SEMMLER, Lesa	INUVIK TWIN LAKES	-	-	-	944	944
CLEVELAND, Caitlin	KAM LAKE	4,625			5,535	10,160
BLAKE JR., Frederick	MACKENZIE DELTA	9,795	-	-	482	10,277
LAFFERTY, Jackson	MONFWI					-
WEYALLON ARMSTRONG, Jane	MONFWI	218			3,018	3,236
THOMPSON, Shane	NAHENDEH	-	-	-	1,949	1,949
JACOBSON, Jackie	NUNAKPUT	1,329			1,323	2,651
COCHRANE, Caroline	RANGE LAKE	-	-	-	190	190
CHINNA, Paulie	SAHTU	3,007	3,538	-	5,175	11,720
MARTSELOS, Frieda	THEBACHA	216		-	7,111	7,327
EDJERICON, Richard	TU NEDHE-WIILIDEH	-	-		3,288	3,288
GREEN, Julie	YELLOWKNIFE CENTRE	2,975		-	2,695	5,670
JOHNSON, Rylund	YELLOWKNIFE NORTH	2,495		-	3,899	6,394
WAWZONEK, Caroline	YELLOWKNIFE SOUTH	-		-	3,905	3,905



**PURCHASED SERVICES DETAIL UNDER SECTION 29  
REIMBURSED TO OR INCURRED BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023  
19TH ASSEMBLY**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Constituency</b>	<b>Contributions to Community Feasts</b>	<b>Other Purchased Services</b>	<b>Total Purchased Services</b>
BONNETROUGE, Ronald	DEH CHO	500	7,184	7684
O'REILLY, Kevin	FRAME LAKE	5,500	20,945	26445
NOKLEBY, Katrina	GREAT SLAVE	5,561	13,620	19181
SIMPSON, RJ	HAY RIVER NORTH	1,000	4,445	5445
SIMPSON, Rocky	HAY RIVER SOUTH	3,804	5,493	9297
ARCHIE, Diane	INUVIK BOOT LAKE	4,441	8,873	13314
SEMMLER, Lesa	INUVIK TWIN LAKES	441	11,858	12299
CLEVELAND, Caitlin	KAM LAKE	6,000	5,077	11077
BLAKE JR., Frederick	MACKENZIE DELTA	3,457	14,261	17718
WEYALLON ARMSTRONG, Jane	MONFWI	4255.37	5,662	9917
THOMPSON, Shane	NAHENDEH	-	3,317	3317
JACOBSON, Jackie	NUNAKPUT	4,240	10,197	14437
COCHRANE, Caroline	RANGE LAKE	1,500	3,390	4890
CHINNA, Paulie	SAHTU	1,991	7,142	9133
MARTSELOS, Frieda	THEBACHA	-	8,164	8164
EDJERICON, Richard	TU NEDHE-WIILIDEH	1,675	4,773	6448
GREEN, Julie	YELLOWKNIFE CENTRE	5,690	15,040	20730
JOHNSON, Rylund	YELLOWKNIFE NORTH	4,750	6,037	10787
WAWZONEK, Caroline	YELLOWKNIFE SOUTH	6,000	6,629	12629

**INDEMNITIES, ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES  
REIMBURSED TO OR INCURRED BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023  
19TH ASSEMBLY**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Constituency</b>	<b>Constituency Work Expense Budget (Section 29)</b>	<b>Constituency Work Expense Actuals (Section 29)</b>	<b>Capital Accommodation Expense Actuals (Section 24)</b>
BONNETROUGE, Ronald	<b>DEH CHO</b>	102,555	14,734	28,270
O'REILLY, Kevin	<b>FRAME LAKE</b>	94,113	88,303	-
NOKLEBY, Katrina	<b>GREAT SLAVE</b>	94,113	93,745	-
SIMPSON, RJ	<b>HAY RIVER NORTH</b>	98,936	89,438	30,000
SIMPSON, Rocky	<b>HAY RIVER SOUTH</b>	98,936	98,936	31,000
ARCHIE, Diane	<b>INUVIK BOOT LAKE</b>	102,555	85,589	31,000
SEMMLER, Lesa	<b>INUVIK TWIN LAKES</b>	102,555	79,581	25,555
CLEVELAND, Caitlin	<b>KAM LAKE</b>	94,113	90,141	-
BLAKE JR., Frederick	<b>MACKENZIE DELTA</b>	107,382	107,382	29,970
WEYALLON ARMSTRONG, Jane	<b>MONFWI</b>	102,555	93,231	27,069
THOMPSON, Shane	<b>NAHENDEH</b>	106,173	93,135	27,600
JACOBSON, Jackie	<b>NUNAKPUT</b>	110,998	103,016	24,120
COCHRANE, Caroline	<b>RANGE LAKE</b>	94,113	55,419	-
CHINNA, Paulie	<b>SAHTU</b>	109,792	109,649	31,000
MARTSELOS, Frieda	<b>THEBACHA</b>	100,144	98,028	29,618
EDJERICON, Richard	<b>TU NEDHE-WIILIDEH</b>	102,555	102,555	-
GREEN, Julie	<b>YELLOWKNIFE CENTRE</b>	94,113	77,681	-
JOHNSON, Rylund	<b>YELLOWKNIFE NORTH</b>	94,113	66,438	-
WAWZONEK, Caroline	<b>YELLOWKNIFE SOUTH</b>	94,113	67,360	-

Tabled pursuant to Section 35(b) and (c) of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*.

**CONSTITUENCY TRAVEL EXPENSES UNDER SECTION 29  
REIMBURSED TO OR INCURRED BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023  
19TH ASSEMBLY**

Member	Constituency		# of Trips	Airfare	Air Charter	Ground Transportation	Accommodation	Meals & Incidentals	Total
BONNETROUGE, Ronald	DEH CHO	Within NWT	8	0	0	399	1,400	496	2,296
		Outside NWT							0
SIMPSON, RJ	HAY RIVER NORTH	Within NWT	3	1,981	0	0	498	349	2,828
		Outside NWT							0
SIMPSON, Rocky	HAY RIVER SOUTH	Within NWT		1,123			200		1,323
		Outside NWT							0
ARCHIE, Diane	INUVIK BOOT LAKE	Within NWT		3,261			450	1,016	4,727
		Outside NWT							0
SEMMLER, Lesa	INUVIK TWIN LAKES	Within NWT		2,993					2,993
		Outside NWT							0
BLAKE, Frederick	MACKENZIE DELTA	Within NWT	9	0	0	1,789	534	1,935	4,258
		Outside NWT	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEYALLON ARMSTRONG, Jane	MONFWI	Within NWT	2	584	0	1,752	3,902	1,909	8,146
		Outside NWT	1			0	500	1,854	2,354
THOMPSON, Shane	NAHENDEH	Within NWT		165		847	425	752	2,189
		Outside NWT							0
JACOBSON, Jackie	NUNAKPUT	Within NWT		3,487		398	1,962	1,110	6,957
		Outside NWT							0
CHINNA, Paulette	SAHTU	Within NWT	9	6,240	14,474	0	2,426	6,153	29,293
		Outside NWT	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
MARTSELOS, Frieda	THEBACHA	Within NWT	2	5,917	0	1,004	0	881	7,802
		Outside NWT	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
EDJERICON, Richard	TU NEDHE-WILIDEH	Within NWT		530		923	1,648	2,482	5,583
		Outside NWT							0

Tabled pursuant to Section 35(c) of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*.



**SPEAKER & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
BENEFITS AND EXPENSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
MARCH 31, 2023  
19TH ASSEMBLY**

**Blind Trust - Section 12.4** of the *Indemnities, Allowances and Expense Regulations* provides that:

*“...where the Conflict of Interest Commissioner advises the Speaker or a Minister to establish a trust during his or her term in office, as referred to in section 82 of the Act, the Speaker or Minister, as the case may be, shall be reimbursed for the expenses set out in subsection (2).”*

There were no payments made under this Regulation to the Speaker or Executive Council of the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

**Dental, Health, Medical travel and Life Insurance Benefits - Section 12.5** of the *Indemnities, Allowances and Expense Regulations* provides that the Speaker and Ministers:

*“...are each entitled to receive the same dental, health, medical travel and life insurance benefits provided to senior managers in the public service.”*

- (a) Medical Travel - during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, the following medical travel benefits were provided to the Speaker and Executive Council of the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly:

There were no payments made under this Regulation to the Speaker or Executive Council of the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

- (b) Employer’s share of Public Service Health Care Plan, Long-Term Disability and Public Service Management Insurance Plan – during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, the following benefits were provided to the Speaker and Executive Council of the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly:

<b>Member</b>	<b>Total of Premiums Paid by the GNWT</b>
Hon. Diane Archie	\$4,868.83
Hon. Paulie Chinna	\$3,210.55
Hon. Caroline Cochrane	\$5,338.53
Hon. Julie Green	\$4,868.83
Hon. RJ Simpson	\$4,868.83
Hon. Shane Thompson	\$4,868.83
Hon. Caroline Wawzonek	\$4,868.83
Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.	\$4,659.18

**Entertainment Allowance – Section 12.6** of the *Indemnities, Allowances and Expense Regulations* provides that the Speaker and Ministers:

*“...may each receive, to a yearly maximum of \$1,500, an entertainment allowance for duty related entertainment expenses.”*

The following benefits were provided under this Regulation to the Speaker and Executive Council of the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023:

<b>Member</b>	<b>Total Benefits Paid</b>
Hon. Diane Archie	\$1,500.00
Hon. Paulie Chinna	\$1,500.00
Hon. Caroline Cochrane	\$1,500.00
Hon. Julie Green	\$1500.00
Hon. RJ Simpson	\$1,500.00
Hon. Shane Thompson	\$1,500.00
Hon. Caroline Wawzonek	\$1,500.00
Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.	\$1,500.00





