



**Plain Language Summary for Bill 17:
Municipal and Community Affairs Statutes Amendment Act**

The Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Municipal and Community Affairs is amending three Acts: the *Fire Prevention Act*, *NWT 9-1-1 Act*, and the *Western Canada Lottery Act*.

The *Municipal and Community Affairs Statutes Amendment Act* will adjust the reporting timelines of reports required under these three Acts to provide sufficient time for MACA to collect and validate data from various sources, ensuring accurate and comprehensive reporting. These amendments will better align the annual reporting requirements with the practical realities of data collection and validation.

The *Municipal and Community Affairs Statutes Amendment Act* contains the following changes:

Fire Prevention Act

- Changing the reporting period for the Fire Marshal's report to align with the fiscal year (April 1 to March 31).
- Extending the submission deadline for the Fire Marshal's report to the Minister of MACA to September each year.

NWT 9-1-1 Act

- Extending the deadline for the Minister's report to 180 days after the fiscal year ends.
- Allowing the report to be tabled in the next sitting of the Legislative Assembly if it is not in session when the deadline expires.

Western Canada Lottery Act

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