

Votes and Proceedings

SECOND SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

March 30, 2022

The Assembly commenced the hybrid sitting at 1:31 pm, with the Honourable Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker, presiding. Pursuant to Rule 10.1(2), the Speaker allowed the remote participation of the Member for Deh Cho, the Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, the Member for Monfwi and the Honourable Member for Yellowknife South.

Ministers' Statements

- 237-19(2) The Minister of Education, Culture and Employment made a statement regarding seasonal time change engagement.
- 238-19(2) The Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs made a statement about preparing for flooding and emergencies.
- 239-19(2) The Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation made a statement regarding a new Northwest Territories Housing Corporation name and identity.

Members' Statements

- 1060-19(2) The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding the Mobile Core Bathurst Caribou Management Zone.
- 1061-19(2) The Member for Thebacha made a statement regarding the Salt River First Nation Treaty Land Entitlement Agreement.
- 1062-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding changes to the Canada Infrastructure Bank.
- 1063-19(2) The Member for Hay River South made a statement regarding recruitment and retention of health care professionals.
- 1064-19(2) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding Cheetah Resources' Nechalacho Project.

- 1065-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake made a statement about increasing immigration to the Northwest Territories.
- 1066-19(2) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement about universal child care implementation.

Returns to Written Questions

- 37-19(2) The Clerk tabled a Return to Written Question 37-19(2) from the Minister of Health and Social Services to the Member for Kam Lake regarding the use of Indigenous languages on official documents.

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

- 27-19(2) Special Committee on Reconciliation and Indigenous Affairs Interim Report: What We Heard About the United Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Negotiating Agreements

The Member for Yellowknife North presented a portion of the report. The Member for Yellowknife North, seconded by the Member for Thebacha, moved that the remainder of Committee Report 27-19(2), Special Committee on Reconciliation and Indigenous Affairs Interim Report: What We Heard About the United Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Negotiating Agreements, be deemed read and printed in Hansard in its entirety.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Yellowknife North, seconded by the Member for Thebacha, moved that Committee Report 27-19(2): Special Committee on the Reconciliation and Indigenous Affairs Interim Report: What We Heard About the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Negotiating Agreements be received by the Assembly and referred to Committee of the Whole.

The motion was CARRIED.

- 28-19(2) Standing Committee on Social Development Report on the Review of Bill 39: *An Act to Amend the Post-Secondary Education Act*

The Member for Kam Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 28-19(2): Standing Committee on Social Development Report on the Review of Bill 39: *An Act to Amend the Post-Secondary Education Act*, be received and adopted by the Assembly.

The motion was CARRIED.

Tabling of Documents

- 617-19(2) 2020-2021 Annual Report Northwest Territories Health and Social Services Authority. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
- 618-19(2) 2020-2021 Annual Report NWT Health and Social Services System. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
- 619-19(2) Hay River Health and Social Services Authority Annual Report 2020-21. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
- 620-19(2) Tłıchq Community Services Agency – Health and Social Services Annual Report 2020-21. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
- 621-19(2) Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 902-19(2): Healthcare Staff Recruitment. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
- 622-19(2) Plain Language Summary for Bill 48: *Arbitration Act*. Tabled by the Minister of Justice.
- 623-19(2) Government of the NWT Response to Committee Report 17-19(2): Report on the Bill 23: *An Act to Amend the Public Utilities Act*. Tabled by the Minister of Infrastructure.
- 624-19(2) Northwest Territories Living Wage Report. Tabled by the Member for Frame Lake.
- 625-19(2) Northwest Territories 2022 Living Wage Plain Language Report. Tabled by the Member for Frame Lake.
- 626-19(2) 2022 Alternatives North Living Wage Media Release and Infographics. Tabled by the Member for Frame Lake.

Second Reading of Bills

Bill 48: *Arbitration Act*

The Honourable Member for Hay River North, seconded by the Honourable Member for Inuvik Boot Lake, moved that Bill 48, *Arbitration Act*, be read for the second time. In accordance with rule 10.3(1), the vote was recorded.

The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Great Slave, Hay River South, Monfwi, Yellowknife North, Deh Cho, Tu Nedhé-Willideh, Inuvik Twin Lakes, Nahendeh, Sahtu, Inuvik Boot Lake, Hay River North, Thebacha, Frame Lake, Kam Lake, Yellowknife South, Range Lake, Yellowknife Centre. (17)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: (0)

The motion was CARRIED.

Bill 48 was referred to the Standing Committee on Social Development.

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Deputy Chair, the Member for Hay River South, reported that the Committee of the Whole considered Bill 23-19(2): *An Act to Amend the Public Utilities Act*; Bill 29-19(2): *Resource Royalty Information Disclosure Statute Amendment Act*; Bill 39-19(2): *An Act to Amend the Post-secondary Education Act*; Bill 41-19(2): *Justice Administration Statutes Amendment Act*; Committee Report 26-19(2): Standing Committee on Social Development Report on the *Child and Family Services Act – Lifting NWT Children, Youth and Families: An All of Territory Approach to Keeping Families Together*; and Tabled Document 561-19(2): 2022-2023 Main Estimates, and reported progress with one motion carried, that Bills 39-19(2) and 41-19(2) are ready for third reading, that consideration of Tabled Document 561-19(2) is concluded, that the House concur in those estimates as amended, and that an appropriation bill based thereon be introduced without delay.

The Member for Hay River North, seconded by the Honourable Member for Hay River South, moved concurrence of the report of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was CARRIED.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 5:49 pm.



Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Tim Mercer
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly