

Votes and Proceedings Procès-verbal

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FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

October 30, 2024

The Assembly commenced sitting at 1:31 p.m. with the Honourable Shane Thompson, Speaker, presiding.

Members' Attendance

Present: Member for Dehcho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great

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

Absent: None.

Ministers' Statements

78-20(1)	The	Minister	of	Infrastructure	made	а	statement	regarding
	North	nwest Teri	ritori	ies supply chair	n challei	nge	and solution	ns.

79-20(1) The Minister of Education, Culture and Employment provided an

update on Education Act modernization.

80-20(1) The Minister responsible for the Status of Women made a statement

regarding the National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence.

Members' Statements

398-20(1)	The Member for Inuvik Boot Lake made a statement regarding the
	Inuvik Marine Bypass Road.

400-20(1) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding changes to the Extended Health Benefits Program.

401-20(1) The Member for Sahtu made a statement regarding Norman Wells economic concerns. 402-20(1) The Member for Mackenzie Delta made a statement regarding the condition of the Dempster Highway. The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding the Report of 403-20(1) the Auditor General of Canada to the Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly – Stanton Territorial Hospital Renewal Project. 404-20(1) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding a deficit mentality impacting the Government's financial deficit. 405-20(1) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding fertility and family supports. 406-20(1) The Member for Dehcho made a statement regarding health and well-being promotion in small communities. 407-20(1) The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh made a statement regarding food insecurity. 408-20(1) The Member for Yellowknife Centre made a statement regarding supports for youth with autism. 409-20(1) The Honourable Member for Nahendeh made a statement regarding the Pat Rowe Memorial Golf Tournament.

Written Questions

8-20(1) The Member for Great Slave asked a question of the Minister of Health and Social Services about improving fertility and family planning supports in the Northwest Territories.

Tabling of Documents

210-20(1)	Plain Language Summary for Bill 11: An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicles Act. Tabled by the Minister of Infrastructure.
211-20(1)	Statement of Consistency for Bill 11: An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicles Act. Tabled by the Minister of Infrastructure.
212-20(1)	Inter-Activity Transfers Exceeding \$250,000 (April 1 to June 30, 2024). Tabled by the Minister of Finance.

213-20(1)	Public Service Annual Report 2023/2024. Tabled by the Minister of Finance.
214-20(1)	2024-2025 Consolidated Budget. Tabled by the Minister of Finance.
215-20(1)	NWT Carbon Tax Report 2023-2024. Tabled by the Minister of Finance.
216-20(1)	Plain Language Summary for Bill 12: Business Day Statute Law Amendment Act. Tabled by the Minister of Justice.
217-20(1)	United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Action Plan Committee Annual Report, August 2024. Tabled by the Premier.

Notices of Motion

45-20(1) Extended Adjournment of the House to February 5, 2025. Notice given by the Member for Yellowknife North.

Second Reading of Bills

Bill 11: An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicles Act

Introduced by the Minister of Infrastructure.

The Honourable Member for Yellowknife South, seconded by the Honourable Member for Kam Lake, moved that Bill 11, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicles Act*, be read for the second time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Bill 11 was referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Environment.

Bill 12 Business Day Statute Law Amendment Act

Introduced by the Minister of Justice.

The Honourable Member for Hay River North, seconded by the Honourable Member for Hay River South, moved that Bill 12, *Business Day Statute Law Amendment Act*, be read for the second time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Bill 12 was referred to the Standing Committee on Government Operations.

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Chair, the Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh reported that the Committee of the Whole considered Tabled Document 193-20(1): 2025-2026 Capital Estimates and reported progress with one motion carried.

Committee Motion 49-20(1)

The Member for Frame Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment, Tourism and Parks, Operations Expenditure Summary, 2025-2026 Capital Estimates, be reduced by \$865,000.

The motion was DEFEATED.

Committee Motion 50-20(1)

The Member for Inuvik Boot Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this committee defer further consideration of the capital estimates for the Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, seconded by the Member for Dehcho, moved concurrence of the report of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was CARRIED.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 3:33 p.m.

Hon. Shane Thompson

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly