

Legislative Assembly Assemblée législative

No. 34

# **Votes and Proceedings**

#### THIRD SESSION OF THE EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

### June 1, 2018

The Assembly commenced sitting at 10:00 am.

### Ministers' Statements

| 87-18(3) | The Minister Responsible for the Status of Women made a statement about increasing representation of women in the Legislative Assembly. |
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| 88-18(3) | The Minister of Environment and Natural Resources made a statement regarding the Climate Change Strategic Framework.                    |
| 89-18(3) | The Minister of Justice made a statement regarding programs available to inmates in NWT correctional facilities.                        |
| 90-18(3) | The Minister of Health and Social Services made a statement regarding Senior Citizens' Month.   |
| 91-18(3) | The Minister of Industry, Tourism an Investment made a statement regarding the 2018 Mining and Exploration Awards and 2018 Mining Week. |

### Members' Statements

| 300-18(3) | The Member for Yellowknife Centre made a statement regarding<br>Temporary Special Measures.              |
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| 301-18(3) | The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding intergenerational equity through the Heritage Fund. |

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| 3   | 02-18(3)  | The Member for Sahtu made a statement regarding connecting community needs to government programs.                     |
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| 3   | 03-18(3)  | The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding power rate increases for seniors.                          |
| 3   | 04-18(3)  | The Member for Mackenzie Delta made a statement regarding intergenerational programs in Mackenzie Delta.               |
| 3   | 05-18(3)  | The Member for Kam Lake made a statement regarding power rate increases.   |
| 30  | 056-18(3) | The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh made a statement regarding the Affirmative Action Policy and human resource planning. |
| 3   | 07-18(3)  | The Member for Nahendeh made a statement regarding cuts to the Deh Cho Divisional Education Council.                   |
| 3   | 08-18(3)  | The Member for Hay River North made a statement regarding mental health supports.                                      |
| 3   | 09-18(3)  | The Member for Nunakput made a statement recognizing 2018 Nunakput high school graduates.                              |
| 3   | 10-18(3)  | The Member for Deh Cho made a statement regarding Indigenous housing policies and land leases.                         |
| . 3 | 11-18(3)  | The Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes made a statement recognizing Inuvik Twin Lakes Science Fair award recipients.         |

## <u>Acknowledgements</u>

11-183) The Member for Nahendeh acknowledged Terry Jaffray on her retirement, as a 2017 Education Hall of Fame inductee and as an NWT Superintendents Association Leadership Award recipient.

### Written Question

12-18(3) The Member for Frame Lake asked a question of the Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment regarding Ekati Mine layoffs.

### **Tabling of Documents**

| 209-18( | Government of the Northwest Territories Response to Report 4-18(3): Report on Adult Residential Addiction Facilities Tour 2017. Tabled by the Minister of Health Services. | s Treatment   |
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| 210-18( | Inter-activity Transfers Exceeding \$250,000 (April 1, 20 31, 2018). Tabled by the Minister of Finance.  | )17 to March  |
| 211-18( | 2030 NWT Climate Change Strategic Framework. To Minister of Environment and Natural Resources.   | abled by the  |
| 212-18( | 2030 Energy Strategy: Energy Action Plan 2018-2021 the Minister of Infrastructure.   | . Tabled by   |
| 213-18( | 2018-2019 Consolidated Operating Budget - Northwe Housing Corporation. Tabled by the Minister Respor Northwest Territories Housing Corporation.                            |               |
| 214-18( | Summary of Members' Absences for the period Februa May 23, 2018. Tabled by the Speaker.  | ry 7, 2018 to |

### **Motions**

20-18(3) Extended Adjournment of the House.

Moved by the Member for Yellowknife Centre.

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the honourable Member for Great Slave, that, notwithstanding Rule 4, when this House adjourns on June 1, 2018, it shall be adjourned until Thursday, October 11, 2018;

AND FURTHER, that any time prior to October 11, 2018, if the Speaker is satisfied, after consultation with the Executive Council and members of the Legislative Assembly, that the public interest that the House should meet at an earlier time during the adjournment, the Speaker may give notice and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and shall transact its business as it has been duly adjourned to that time.

The motion was CARRIED.

#### Second Reading of Bills

Bill 20:

Ombudsperson Act

### Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Committee of the Whole considered Minister's Statement 1-18(3), North Slave Correctional Complex Inmate Concerns, and Committee Report 8-18(3): Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2016-2017 Public Accounts of the Government of the Northwest Territories. The Chair reported progress with eight motions being adopted and that consideration of Minister's Statement 1-18(3) and Committee Report 8-18(3) was concluded.

### Committee Motion 65-18(3)

The Member for Hay River North moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Office of the Comptroller General in the Department of Finance consider, and report back to the Standing Committee on Government Operations on, the utility of entering into service agreements or memoranda of understanding with GNWT boards, agencies, or other entities requiring support or assistance to complete their year-end financial reporting as required under the *Financial Administration Act*.

The motion was CARRIED.

### Committee Motion 67-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Government of the Northwest Territories considers bringing together all of its information about P3 projects under one note in the Consolidated Public Accounts, until such time as the new Canadian Public Sector Accounting Board standards on the accounting treatment of P3 projects are put in place.

The motion was CARRIED.

#### Committee Motion 68-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Government of the Northwest Territories make GNWT's inventory of contaminated sites available online modeled upon, and with a level of disclosure comparable to, the Federal Contaminated Sites Inventory maintained by the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat.

The motion was CARRIED.

### Committee Motion 69-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Government of the Northwest Territories, giving consideration to the observations made in this Committee Report, strive to improve upon the information in the financial statement discussion and analysis section of the Public Accounts that indicates how the GNWT has met the provisions of the fiscal responsibility policy related to debt servicing and infrastructure financing.

The motion was CARRIED.

### Committee Motion 70-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Department of Finance give consideration to reporting student loan remissions in another schedule in the public accounts, separate from the schedule reporting bad debt write-offs and forgiveness.

The motion was CARRIED.

### Committee Motion 71-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Department of Finance, upon completion of a privacy impact assessment in 2018-2019 by the Information and Privacy commissioner and having considered the Committee's suggestions contained in this report, reconsider amending the Non-consolidated Schedule of Bad Debt Write-offs, Forgiveness and Student Loan Remissions to better protect the privacy of individuals.

The motion was CARRIED.

#### Committee Motion 72-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Department of Finance continue its efforts to ensure that all annual reports required under the GNWT's Planning and Accountability Framework be translated in French and made available to the public in a timely manner.

The motion was CARRIED.

### Committee Motion 73-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this assembly recommends that the Government of the Northwest Territories provide a response to this report within 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

### Third Reading of Bills

Bill 6:

Cannabis Legalization and Regulation Implementation Act

The Minister of Justice requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Mr. Simpson, Mr. Blake, Mr. McNeely, Mr. Vanthuyne, Mr. Testart, Mr. Beaulieu, Mr. Thompson, Mr. O'Reilly, Ms. Green, Mr. Nadli, Mr. Nakimayak, Honourable A. Moses, Honourable C. Cochrane, Honourable G. Abernethy, Honourable R. C. McLeod, Honourable W. Schumann, Honourable L. Sebert. (17)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: (0)

Bill 19:

An Act to Amend the Revolving Funds Act

The Minister of Finance requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Mr. Simpson, Mr. Blake, Mr. McNeely, Mr. Vanthuyne, Mr. Testart, Mr. Beaulieu, Mr. Thompson, Mr. O'Reilly, Ms. Green, Mr. Nadli, Mr. Nakimayak, Honourable A. Moses, Honourable C. Cochrane, Honourable G. Abernethy, Honourable R. C. McLeod, Honourable W. Schumann, Honourable L. Sebert. (17)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: (0)

Bill 21: An Act to Amend the Northwest Territories Business Development and Investment Corporation Act

The Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Mr. Simpson, Mr. Blake, Mr. McNeely, Mr. Vanthuyne, Mr. Testart, Mr. Beaulieu, Mr. Thompson, Mr. O'Reilly, Ms. Green, Mr. Nadli, Mr. Nakimayak, Honourable A. Moses, Honourable C. Cochrane, Honourable G. Abernethy, Honourable R. C. McLeod, Honourable W. Schumann, Honourable L. Sebert. (17)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: (0)

### <u>Assent</u>

The Commissioner of the Northwest Territories assented to the following Bills:

Bill 5: An Act to Amend the Summary Conviction Procedures Act

Bill 6: Cannabis Legalization and Regulation Implementation Act

Bill 19: An Act to Amend the Revolving Funds Act

Bill 21: An Act to Amend the Northwest Territories Business Development

and Investment Corporation Act

Bill 22: Supplementary Appropriation Act (Infrastructure Expenditures),

No. 2, 2018-2019

Bill 23: Supplementary Appropriation Act (Operations Expenditures), No. 2,

2018-2019

The Speaker adjourned the House at 1:45 pm.

Hon. Jackson Lafferty

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

Tim Mercer

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly