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Votes and Proceedings

THIRD SESSION OF THE EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

May 29, 2019

The Assembly commenced sitting at 1:32 pm.

Ministers' Statements

189-18(3)	The Minister of Health and Social Services made a statement regarding Senior Citizens' Month.
190-18(3)	The Minister of Infrastructure made a statement regarding summer highway construction season.
191-18(3)	The Minister of Justice made a statement regarding programs available to inmates in Northwest Territories correctional facilities.
192-18(3)	The Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation made a statement regarding Northern Pathways to Housing in Behchokò.

Members' Statements

692-18(3)	The Member for Mackenzie Delta made a statement regarding the Fort McPherson elders' facility.
693-18(3)	The Member for Nunakput made a statement regarding Marine Transportation Services resupply of coastal communities.
694-18(3)	The Member for Nahendeh made a statement recognizing volunteers in Nahendeh.

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The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding the 695-18(3) Northern Frontier Visitors Centre. 696-18(3) The Member for Deh Cho made a statement regarding the Affirmative Action Policy. 697-18(3) The Member for Yellowknife Centre made a statement regarding NorthWords Writers Festival. 698-18(3) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding polytechnic potential. 699-18(3) The Member for Kam Lake made a statement regarding Regular Member imbalance in consensus. 700-18(3) The Member for Sahtu made a statement about unlocking our resource potential.

Tabling of Documents

- 438-18(3) 2017/2018 Annual Report Northwest Territories Agricultural Products Marketing Council. Tabled by the Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment.
- 439-18(3) NWT Oil and Gas Annual Report 2018. Tabled by the Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment.
- 440-18(3) Annual Report 2018-2019 NWT Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations. Tabled by the Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment.
- Health and Social Services Northwest Territories Help Directory 2019. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
- 442-18(3) 2030 NWT Climate Change Strategic Framework 2019-2023 Action Plan. Tabled by the Member for Kam Lake.

Notices of Motion

39-18(3) Referral of 2030 NWT Climate Change Strategic Framework 2019-2023 Action Plan.

Notice given by the Member for Kam Lake.

Notices of Motion for First Reading of Bills

Bill 57:

An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act

Notice given by Minister of Education, Culture and Employment.

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Committee of the Whole considered Committee Report 16-18(3): Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on Bill 29: An Act to Amend the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act; Bill 29: An Act to Amend the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act; and Bill 35: Supply Chain Management Professional Designation Act, and reported progress with four motions adopted; that Committee Report 16-18(3) is concluded, that Bill 29 is ready for Third Reading as amended and that Bill 35 is ready for Third Reading.

Committee Motion 131-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Department of Municipal and Community Affairs, working with the Department of Justice, develop a detailed and costed plan to guide the implementation of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act for municipalities;

AND FURTHER, that the plan identify:

- (i) time lines for the inclusion of different categories of municipalities in the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act regulations;
- (ii) the resources needed by each municipal government to comply with the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, to ensure adequate funding for initial implementation and on-going operational requirements; along with
- (iii) any other significant considerations as determined through consultation on development of the plan.

AND FURTHERMORE, that, before being finalized, the plan be provided in draft so that input may be obtained from: the appropriate Standing Committee; the NWT Association of Communities; and the local government administrators of the Northwest Territories.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 132-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Minister of Justice propose, for approval by the Commissioner in Executive Council, amending the access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act regulations to include housing associations incorporated under the Societies Act and housing authorities incorporated under section 45 of the NWT Housing Corporation Act, as public bodies under the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 133-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this Assembly recommends that the Department of Justice provide a response to the recommendations contained in this report within 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 134-18(3)

The Member for Kam Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that Clause 17 of Bill 29 be amended by deleting "proposed clause to 24.1" and substituting the following:

- 24.1(1) subject to subsection (2), the head of a public body shall refuse to disclose to an applicant labour relations information
 - a) the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to reveal information supplied to, or the report of, an arbitrator, mediator, labour relations officer, or other person or body appointed to resolve or inquire into a labour relations matter, including information or records prepared by or for the public body in contemplation of litigation or arbitration or in contemplation of a settlement offer;
 - b) that is prepared or supplied, implicitly or explicitly, in confidence, and is treated consistently as confidential information by the public body as the employer, and
 - c) that could reasonably be expected to

- (i) harm the competitive position of the public body as an employer,
- (ii) interfere with the negotiating position of the public body as an employer, or
- (iii) result in significant financial loss or gain to the public body as an employer.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the head of a public body shall disclose to an applicant who is a party to a labour relations matter any relevant information that the party would otherwise be entitled to receive in respect of the matter.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 5:00 pm.

Hon. Jackson Lafferty

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

Tim Mercer

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly