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EIGHTH SESSION, ELEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

PROPOSED BILL

AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRAVEL
AND TOURISM ACT

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this proposed Bill is to amend the *Travel and Tourism Act* to establish a Tourist Deposit Assurance Program; to provide an appeal to a decision of the Minister; to increase fines; to expand the regulation-making powers to provide for the appointment of an auditor; to allow the Minister to require the payment of fees into the Tourist Deposit Assurance Program; and to allow the Minister to make regulations regarding non-resident travellers.

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AVANT-PROJET DE LOI

LOI MODIFIANT LA LOI SUR LE TOURISME

Exposé des motifs

L'avant-projet de loi vise à modifier la *Travel and Tourism Act* (Loi sur le tourisme) afin de créer un programme d'assurance-dépôts touristiques; de prévoir la possibilité d'interjeter appel d'une décision du ministre; d'augmenter le montant maximum des amendes; d'étendre les pouvoirs de réglementation afin de nommer un vérificateur; de permettre au ministre d'exiger le paiement de droits qui seront versés au programme d'assurance-dépôts touristiques; de permettre au ministre de prendre des règlements relatifs aux voyageurs non-résidents.

Important: This Bill is being tabled for information purposes only.

N.B.: Ce projet de loi n'est déposé qu'à titre de renseignements.

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRAVEL AND TOURISM ACT

The Commissioner of the Northwest Territories, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly, enacts as follows:

- 1. The Travel and Tourism Act is amended by this Act
- 2. The following is added after section 4:

Tourist Deposit Assurance Program

- "4.1. (1) The Minister may establish a program known as the "Tourist Deposit Assurance Program", for the reimbursement in whole or in part, of a person at the discretion of the Minister, of deposits made by the person where
 - (a) the deposit was paid to a guide, an outfitter or a tourist establishment licensed under this Act; and
 - (b) the person seeking reimbursement sustained pecuniary loss by reason of the failure of the guide, outfitter or tourist establishment to provide any of the services in respect of which the deposit was made.

Application reimbursement

- (2) A person may apply to the Minister for reimbursement from the Tourist Deposit Assurance Program in writing and, when doing so, shall provide the following information:
 - (a) the name and address of the person applying;
 - (b) the name and address of the guide, outfitter or tourist establishment;
 - (c) the services to be provided;
 - (d) the dates on which the services were to be provided;
 - (e) details concerning the failure of the guide, outfitter or tourist establishment to provide the services paid for:
 - (f) an itemized list of the monetary amounts being claimed:
 - (g) such other information as the Minister deems necessary.

Powers of Minister

- (3) Upon review of a written application the Minister may
 - (a) reject the application;

AVANT-PROJET DE LOI

LOI MODIFIANT LA LOI SUR LE TOURISME

Le commissaire des Territoires du Nord-Ouest, sur l'avis et avec le consentement de l'Assemblée législative, édicte :

- 1. La présente loi modifie la version anglaise de la Travel and Tourism Act (Loi sur le tourisme).
- 2. La même loi est modifiée par insertion, après l'article 4, de ce qui suit :

«4.1. (1) The Minister may establish a program Tourist known as the "Tourist Deposit Assurance Deposit Program", for the reimbursement in whole or in part, of a person at the discretion of the Minister, of deposits made by the person where

(a) the deposit was paid to a guide, an outfitter or a tourist establishment licensed under this Act: and

- (b) the person seeking reimbursement sustained pecuniary loss by reason of the failure of the guide, outfitter or tourist establishment to provide any of the services in respect of which the deposit was made.
- (2) A person may apply to the Minister for Application reimbursement from the Tourist Deposit for Assurance Program in writing and, when doing so, shall provide the following information:
 - (a) the name and address of the person applying;
 - (b) the name and address of the guide, outfitter or tourist establishment;
 - (c) the services to be provided;
 - (d) the dates on which the services were to be provided;
 - (e) details concerning the failure of the guide, outfitter or tourist establishment to provide the services paid for.
 - (f) an itemized list of the monetary amounts being claimed;
 - (g) such other information as the Minister deems necessary.
- (3) Upon review of a written application the Powers of Minister Minister may
 - (a) reject the application;

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Clause 2 Sections 4.1 and 4.2 are new.

Article 2 Les articles 4.1 et 4.2 sont nouveaux.

- (b) pay all or part of the amount claimed;
- (c) request further information regarding the amount claimed.

Recovery of payment

(4) The Government of the Northwest Territories may claim and recover any amount paid under paragraph (3)(b) together with any costs and expenses incurred.

Procedure

(5) A claim for costs and expenses under this Act may be sued for and recovered with costs as a debt due to the Government of the Northwest Territories.

Subrogation : of rights

- 4.2. Where any payment is made under the Tourist Deposit Assurance Program, and the Government of the Northwest Territories does not sue under subsection 3(4), the Government of the Northwest Territories is, to the amount of such payment, subrogated to the rights, remedies and securities to which the person receiving the payment was entitled as against the trustee. assignee, estate or personal representative of the tourist establishment or the outfitter, and those rights, remedies and securities may be enforced or realized in the name of the Government of the Northwest Territories.".
- 3. Section 10 is amended by
 - (a) striking out "Minister and the decision of the Minister is final." and substituting "Minister and the Minister shall prepare a written decision and serve a copy of that decision on the person.":
 - (b) renumbering section 10 as subsection 10(1): and
 - (c) adding the following after subsection 10(1):

Consultation by Minister

- "(2) The Minister may consult with such persons as, in the opinion of the Minister, are necessary to provide such information as is required to make a decision under this section.".
- 4. The following is added after section 10:

Appeal

"10.1. (1) An appeal lies to the Supreme Court from a decision of the Minister under section 10.

- (b) pay all or part of the amount claimed;
- (c) request further information regarding the amount claimed.

(4) The Government of the Northwest Recovery Territories may claim and recover any amount of payment paid under paragraph (3)(b) together with any costs and expenses incurred.

(5) A claim for costs and expenses under Procedure this Act may be sued for and recovered with costs as a debt due to the Government of the

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4.2. Where any payment is made under the Subrogation Tourist Deposit Assurance Program, and the of rights Government of the Northwest Territories does not sue under subsection 3(4), the Government of the Northwest Territories is, to the amount of such payment, subrogated to the rights, remedies and securities to which the person receiving the payment was entitled as against the trustee, assignee, estate or personal representative of the tourist establishment or the outfitter, and those rights, remedies and securities may be enforced or realized in the name of the Government of the Northwest Territories.».

3. L'article 10 est modifié :

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- a) par suppression des mots «Minister and the decision of the Minister is final.» et par substitution des mots «Minister and the Minister shall prepare a written decision and serve a copy of that decision on the person.»;
- b) en remplaçant le numéro d'article 10 par le numéro de paragraphe 10(1);
- c) par adjonction de ce qui suit :

- «(2) The Minister may consult with such Consultation persons as, in the opinion of the Minister, are by Minister 45 necessary to provide such information as is required to make a decision under this section.».
- 4. La même loi est modifiée par insertion, après l'article 10, de ce qui suit :

«10.1. (1) An appeal lies to the Supreme Court Appeal from a decision of the Minister under section 10.

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Clause 3
Section 10 now reads:

Article 3

Texte actuel de l'article 10:

Right to appeal

10. Vany person aggrieved by a decision or order of a tourism officer with respect to licensing may appeal to the Minister and the decision of the Minister is final. 1985(2), c.3, s.4.

Subsection 10(2) is new.

Le paragraphe 10(2) est nouveau.

Clause 4
Section 10.1 is new.

Article 4 L'article 10.1 est nouveau.

Notice of appeal	(2) Where an applicant or licensee wishes to appeal a decision of the Minister under section 10, the applicant or licensee shall file a notice of appeal with the Supreme Court and	(2) Where an applicant or licensee wishes to appeal a decision of the Minister under section 10, the applicant or licensee shall file a notice of appeal with the Supreme Court and		
	serve a copy of the notice on the Minister within 30 days after the day on which a copy of the written reasons of the Minister is served on the applicant or licensee.	serve a copy of the notice on the Minister within 30 days after the day on which a copy of the written reasons of the Minister is served on the applicant or licensee.		
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Jurisdiction of Court	(4) The Supreme Court may confirm, vary or set aside the decision of the Minister.	(') The supremit court may comment, 'any	Jurisdiction of Court	20
Effect of appeal	(5) Subject to an order of the Supreme Court, a decision of the Minister continues in effect until the appeal is disposed of.	(5) Subject to an order of the Supreme Court, a decision of the Minister continues in effect until the appeal is disposed of.		ω
Decision final	(6) A decision or order of the Supreme Court on an appeal under this Act is final.".	(6) A decision or order of the Supreme Court on an appeal under this Act is final.».		25
	5. Paragraph 14(a) is amended by striking out "one thousand dollars" and substituting "two thousand dollars".	5. L'alinéa 14a) est modifié par suppression des mots «one thousand dollars» et par substitution des mots «two thousand dollars».		30
	6. Paragraph 14(b) is amended by striking out "five thousand dollars" and substituting "ten thousand dollars".	6. L'alinéa 14b) est modifié par suppression des mots «five thousand dollars» et par substitution des mots «ten thousand dollars».		35
	7. Section 15 is amended by (a) striking out "and" at the end of	7. L'article 15 est modifié :		
·	(a) striking out "and" at the end of paragraph 15(v);(b) striking out the period at the end of	a) par suppression de «and» à la fin de l'alinéa 15v);	4	40
	paragraph 15(w) and substituting a semi-colon; and	b) par suppression du point à la fin de l'alinéa 15w) et par substitution d'un point virgule;		
	(c) adding the following after paragraph 15(w):	c) par adjonction de ce qui suit :		45
	"(x) respecting the appointment of an auditor to review and report on the financial	«(x) respecting the appointment of an auditor to review and report on the financial		
	status of a guide, an outfitter or a tourist establishment; and	status of a guide, an outfitter or a tourist establishment; and	·	50
	 (y) respecting the collection of fees from guides, outfitters and tourist establishments for contribution to the Tourist Deposit Assurance Program; and 	(y) respecting the collection of fees from guides, outfitters and tourist establishments for contribution to the Tourist Deposit Assurance Program; and	, i	

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<u>Clause 5</u> Paragraph 14(a) now reads: Article 5
Texte actuel de l'alinéa 14a):

Offence and penalties

- 14. Every person who violates this Act or the regulations is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction,
 - (a) for a first offence, to a fine of not more than <u>one thousand dollars</u> or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment; and

<u>Clause 6</u> Paragraph 14(b) now reads: Article 6
Texte actuel de l'alinéa 14b):

(b) for any subsequent offence, to a fine of not more than <u>five thousand dollars</u> or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment. 1985(1),c.4,s.9.

Clause 7
Paragraphs 15(v) and (w) now read:

Article 7
Texte actuel des alinéas v) et w):

- (v) designating the procedures for the registration of such tourism occupations; and
- (w) respecting the training of persons in such designated tourism occupations. 1985(1),c.4,s.9; 1985(2),c.3,s.4.

Paragraphs 15(x), (y) and (z) are new.

Les alinéas 15x), y) et z) sont nouveaux.

- (z) defining and governing the travel of non-resident travellers in the Territories.".
- (z) defining and governing the travel of non-resident travellers in the Territories.».