TO THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

Your Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs presents the following as its Sixth Report.

Meetings

Your Committee met on April 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- **Bill (No. 21)** The Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) and Related Amendments Act/Loi sur les conflits d'intérêts des députés et des ministres et modifications connexes
- Bill (No. 29) The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2020/Loi de 2020 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services
- **Bill (No. 32)** The Election Financing Amendment and Elections Amendment Act (Government Advertising)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement des élections et la Loi électorale (publicité du gouvernement)
- **Bill (No. 49)** The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée
- Bill (No. 52) The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2021/Loi corrective de 2021
- Bill (No. 54) The Personal Health Information Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les renseignements médicaux personnels

Committee Membership

- MLA ASAGWARA
- Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN
- Ms. MARCELINO
- Mr. MICHALESKI
- Mr. SMOOK
- Hon. Mrs. Stefanson

Your Committee elected Mr. SMOOK as the Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Mr. MICHALESKI as the Vice-Chairperson.

Non-Committee Members Speaking on Record

• Mr. Lamont

As per the Sessional Order passed by the House on October 7, 2020 and further amended on December 3, 2020, Rule 83(2) was waived for the April 14, 2021 meeting, reducing the membership to six Members (4 Government and 2 Official Opposition).

Public Presentations

Your Committee heard the following three presentations on **Bill (No. 29)** – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2020/Loi de 2020 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services:

Molly McCracken Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives

Philip Halprin Private citizen
Brenda Halprin Private citizen

Your Committee heard the following presentation on **Bill (No. 32)** – The Election Financing Amendment and Elections Amendment Act (Government Advertising)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement des élections et la Loi électorale (publicité du gouvernement):

Kevin Rebeck Manitoba Federation of Labour

Your Committee heard the following three presentations on **Bill (No. 49)** – The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée:

Bridget Whipple Manitoba Nurses Union

Kevin Walby Director, Centre for Access to Information and Justice, University

of Winnipeg

Shawna Finnegan Private citizen

Your Committee heard the following presentation on **Bill (No. 54)** – The Personal Health Information Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les renseignements médicaux personnels:

Shawna Finnegan Private citizen

Written Submissions

Your Committee received the following written submission on **Bill (No. 29)** – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2020/Loi de 2020 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services:

Leanne Fenez Private citizen

Your Committee received the following written submission on **Bill (No. 32)** – The Election Financing Amendment and Elections Amendment Act (Government Advertising)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement des élections et la Loi électorale (publicité du gouvernement):

Darryl Harrison Winnipeg Construction Association

Your Committee received the following written submission on **Bill (No. 49)** – The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée :

Denys Volkov Association of Manitoba Municipalities

Bills Considered and Reported

• Bill (No. 21) – The Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) and Related Amendments Act/Loi sur les conflits d'intérêts des députés et des ministres et modifications connexes

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• **Bill (No. 29)** – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2020/Loi de 2020 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• Bill (No. 32) – The Election Financing Amendment and Elections Amendment Act (Government Advertising)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur le financement des élections et la Loi électorale (publicité du gouvernement)

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• **Bill (No. 49)** – The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill, with the following two amendments:

THAT Clause 9 of the Bill be amended by striking out clause (a).

THAT Clause 43 of the Bill be amended by replacing the proposed subsection 98(1) with the following:

Review of Act within five years

- 98(1) The responsible minister must undertake a comprehensive review of the operation of this Act, which involves public representations, within five years after the day on which this section comes into force.
- Bill (No. 52) The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2021/Loi corrective de 2021

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

• Bill (No. 54) – The Personal Health Information Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les renseignements médicaux personnels

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill, with the following amendment:

THAT Clause 33 of the Bill be amended by replacing the proposed subsection 67(1) with the following:

Review of Act within five years

67(1) The minister must undertake a comprehensive review of the operation of this Act, which involves public representations, within five years after the day on which this section comes into force.

Submitted by
Mr. Dennis SMOOK, Chairperson
April 14, 2021