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Hannah Bell - Re: Government Legislation - Consultative Drafts

From: Hannah Bell
To: MacDonald, Heath; MacEwen, Sidney
Date: 5/6/2020 5:29 PM
Subject: Re: Government Legislation - Consultative Drafts

we only usually do that if seeking public input / consultation. It's not the norm for most legislation.

>>> Heath MacDonald <hmacdonaldmla@assembly.pe.ca> 5/6/2020 10:52 AM >>>

Hey guys, are these pieces of proposed legislation being provided to the public prior to May 22/20 to facilitate public discussion and knowledge.

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> On May 5, 2020, at 4:57 PM, Sidney MacEwen <smacewenmla@assembly.pe.ca> wrote:

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> Hi Hannah and Heath,

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> Please find attached the following consultation drafts:

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> An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act (No. 3)

> An Act to Amend the Public Health Act

> An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act

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> The departments are offering briefings as follows:

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> Employment Standards Act

> Thursday May 7th

> Official Opposition 9:00am

> Third Party 10:00am

> Government Members 11:00am

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> Public Health Act

> Friday May 8th

> Official Opposition 9:00am

> Third Party 10:00am

> Government Members 11:00am

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> Emergency Measures Act

> Monday May 11th

> Official Opposition 9:00am

> Third Party 10:00am

> Government Members 11:00am

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> Further instructions on video conferencing for the briefings will follow.

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> Thanks,

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> Sidney

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> <CONSULTATION DRAFT -- An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act, No. 3.pdf>

> <CONSULTATION DRAFT -- An Act to Amend the Public Health Act.pdf>

> <CONSULTATION DRAFT -- An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act.pdf>

Hannah Bell - house leaders meeting / agenda

From: Hannah Bell
To: MacDonald, Heath; MacEwen, Sidney
Date: 5/15/2020 9:54 AM
Subject: house leaders meeting / agenda
Attachments: 4 An Act to Amend the Audit Act_V01.docx;
AnActtoAmendtheRentalofResidentialPropertyAct_V02.docx

Just heard that the sitting date has been pushed back to May 26 at request of Liberal caucus, and that our deadline for releasing agenda for sitting has been pushed to Tuesday May 19.

Confirming that we will still connect today at 3 and discuss proposed agenda - Sid, can you please forward the proposed from Andrew as discussed?

In interim, two of our proposed bills are attached in consultation draft.

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Hannah Bell - OOO Emergency Sitting Legislation.docx

From: Hannah Bell
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attached summary of our proposed legislation and amendments as discussed

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Office of the Official Opposition

Proposed Legislative Agenda for Emergency Sitting May 22 2020

An Act to Amend the Audit Act (Follow the Dollar) (consultation draft provided)

Sponsor: Michele Beaton

- Empowers the Auditor General to audit third-party organizations that receive government funds or provide services on behalf of government
- Expands reporting, allowing the AG to report multiple times during the year and issue special reports

An Act to Amend the Rental of Residential Property Act (consultation draft provided)

Sponsor: Hannah Bell

- Addresses tenant issues and concerns related to pandemic, including
 - Allowing a lessor (landlord) to reasonably restrict or limit access to common areas during a state of public health emergency or a state of emergency.
 - Allowing the Director of Residential Rental Property to issue an order suspending the service of eviction notices
 - Allowing the Director to issue an order to increase the time available to lessees (tenants) to make an application to set aside a notice of termination of a lease.
 - Prohibiting the personal delivery of documents where a state of public health emergency exists and doing so would not reasonably be in accordance with an order or guideline issued by the Chief Public Health Officer.

An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act (4)

Sponsor: Peter Bevan-Baker

- Amend the *Employment Standards Act* to include whistleblower protection for employees reporting an offence. This is separate from the government legislation, which introduces an unpaid emergency leave.

An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act (2)

Sponsor: Peter Bevan-Baker

- Provides accountability mechanisms within the *Emergency Measures Act*. Under the amendments:
 - The Legislative Assembly could vote to disallow a declaration of a state of emergency;
 - Cabinet could only renew a state of emergency for one additional period of 14 days, after which the Legislative Assembly would have to approve subsequent renewals of no more than 28 days each.
 - Following the end of a state of emergency, the Minister would be required to submit a report to the Legislative Assembly detailing the reasons necessitating the declaration of a state of emergency, the powers exercised during state of emergency (including the powers under government's bill), and other details that the Minister considers necessary.
 - There would be greater clarity around privacy considerations under the *EMA*.

Proposed Amendments to Government Bills

We will also be bringing our amendments forward on the floor during debate of the Government bills, *An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act* and *An Act to Amend the Public Health Act*. Provisions in these bills give government extraordinary powers to suspend or vary the application or operation of provincial enactments. Our amendments would create more stringent preconditions for these powers to be used.

Finally, we are looking at incorporating provisions that would empower the Legislative Assembly to disallow or modify an order by Cabinet exercising these powers. As these pieces of legislation allow government to partially assume the legislative capacity of the Legislative Assembly, it is important that the Legislative Assembly is able to reconsider these orders.

Hannah Bell - Re: Proposed Agenda for Emergency Sitting

From: Hannah Bell
To: Halliday, Andrew; MacDonald, Heath
Date: 5/20/2020 1:01 PM
Subject: Re: Proposed Agenda for Emergency Sitting
CC: Hood, Nathan; MacEwen, Sidney

hi Andrew - As you aware most of our stuff is with parliamentary counsel for final edits; the lead time you require to review will determine when briefings are booked. Not everyone is available on the weekend.

I believe Nate / Michele have already been in touch, but have asked them to follow up to confirm. Peter is sponsor on Emergency Measures Act & Employment Standards Act so he will coordinate.

I am lead for Rental of Residential Property Act - would a phone call tomorrow afternoon at 1 pm work for your team?

Heath - can you advise if your caucus wish any briefings? Happy to provide as per previous discussions.
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>>> Andrew Halliday 5/20/2020 12:26 PM >>>
 Hi Hannah and Heath,

I am looking to coordinate schedules for the briefings on proposed legislation your caucuses will be tabling. Given there are only three business days prior to the House's resumption confirmation of when consultation draft bills/amendments will be provided and specific timings for the briefings would be appreciated.

At this late stage, I believe afternoons will work best; could you please response with potential time slots so I can confirm availability.

Thanks,
 Andrew

>>> Hannah Bell 5/18/2020 9:32 PM >>>
 hi Andrew - thanks for this, we will be in touch Tuesday to set up briefings if required on our legislation.

I assume that the 'response' by the premier under government business is a ministerial statement, while the 'COVID-19 Spending' would be the Supplementary Estimates / Review of Expenditures and subject to house debate?

>>> Andrew Halliday 5/15/2020 2:46 PM >>>
 Hi Hannah,

Attached is the proposed book of business with the received inputs from both opposition caucuses.

Thanks,
Andrew

>>> Hannah Bell 5/14/2020 11:03 AM >>>
Hi Andrew

Sidney advised you have been working on the proposed agenda for the emergency sitting. Could you please provide me with that agenda (I understand it is still in draft) in advance of the house leader meeting tomorrow. As there is a commitment to make that agenda public tomorrow, there is some urgency.

thanks in advance
Hannah

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Hannah Bell - Re: Fwd: Our Legislation

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thanks Heath

>>> Heath MacDonald <hmacdonaldmla@assembly.pe.ca> 5/20/2020 7:14 PM >>>

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Marcia Beck <msbeck@assembly.pe.ca>
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>>> Marcia Beck 5/15/2020 12:12 PM >>>

Hey Heath,

Here's are our three draft consultations, two are being modified.

1. An Act to Amend the Education Act - one change being made
2. An Act to Amend the Land Protection Act
3. Winter Wellness Day Act - one change being made

Hannah Bell - briefings

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haven't heard from you regarding briefings on our bills - are you ok without? Summary attached again for your reference

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Hannah Bell - final consultation drafts

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CC: Halliday, Andrew; Hood, Nathan
BC: Hamel, Jonathan
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final consultation drafts of our legislation, and the written summary.

thanks

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