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This booklet contains a list of all the bills that were introduced in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly during the Fall 2013 and Spring 2014 sittings of the Assembly. These sittings are the First Session of the Sixty-second General Assembly.

A Government Bill is distinguished by designating the portfolio of the Minister who introduced it. A Private Member's Bill (non-Government public bill) or Private or Local Bill is distinguished by giving the constituency of the member who introduced it.

In Nova Scotia, all Government Bills and Private Members' Bills, after receiving second reading, are referred to the Law Amendments Committee unless the House otherwise determines. The only exception to this rule is the appropriations bill which is governed by special rules of the House. All Private or Local Bills, after receiving second reading, are referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills unless the House otherwise determines.

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BILLS - LEGISLATIVE PROGRESS

**Bill 1 Electricity Reform (2013) Act
(Electricity Act - amended)**

Honourable Andrew Younger
(Minister of Energy)

First Reading. November 29, 2013
 Second Reading December 2, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 5, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 9, 2013
 Third Reading. December 12, 2013
 Royal Assent. December 12, 2013
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Bill 2 Public Utilities Act - amended

Honourable Chris A. d'Entremont
(Argyle-Barrington)

First Reading. November 29, 2013

Bill 3 Public Utilities Act - amended

Honourable Chris A. d'Entremont
(Argyle-Barrington)

First Reading. November 29, 2013

Bill 4 Public Utilities Act - amended

Honourable Chris A. d'Entremont
(Argyle-Barrington)

First Reading. November 29, 2013

Bill 5 Importation of Hydraulic Fracturing Wastewater Prohibition Act

Honourable Randy Delorey
(Minister of Environment)

First Reading December 2, 2013
 Second Reading December 3, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 9, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 9, 2013
 Third Reading December 12, 2013
 Royal Assent December 12, 2013
 Commencement Royal Assent
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Bill 6 Elections Act - amended

Honourable Jamie Baillie
(Cumberland South)

First Reading December 2, 2013

Bill 7 Public Service Act - amended

Honourable Andrew Younger
(Minister of Communications Nova Scotia)

First Reading December 2, 2013
 Second Reading December 3, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 6, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 9, 2013
 Third Reading December 12, 2013
 Royal Assent December 12, 2013
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Bill 8 Nova Scotia Jobs Fund Transfer Act

Honourable Jamie Baillie
(Cumberland South)

First Reading December 2, 2013

Bill 9 Accountability in Economic Development Assistance Act

Honourable Michel P. Samson
(Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism)

First Reading. December 3, 2013
 Second Reading December 5, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 9, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 9, 2013
 Third Reading December 12, 2013
 Royal Assent. December 12, 2013
 Commencement April 1, 2014
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Bill 10 Maritime Link Act - amended

Honourable Andrew Younger
(Minister of Energy)

First Reading. December 3, 2013
 Second Reading December 5, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 9, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 9, 2013
 Third Reading December 12, 2013
 Royal Assent. December 12, 2013
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**Bill 11 Sir William Young's Benevolent and Charitable Fund,
An Act Respecting the**

Joachim Stroink
(Halifax Chebucto)

First Reading. December 3, 2013
 Second Reading December 5, 2013
 Private and Local Bills Committee. December 9, 2013
 Third Reading December 9, 2013
 Royal Assent. December 10, 2013
 Commencement Royal Assent
 2013 Statutes. Chapter 32

Bill 12 Occupational Health and Safety Act - amended

Honourable Kelly Regan
(Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

First Reading. December 4, 2013
 Second Reading December 5, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 10, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 12, 2013
 Third Reading December 12, 2013
 Royal Assent. December 12, 2013
 Commencement Proclamation
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Bill 13 Ladies of the Sacred Heart at Halifax, An Act Respecting the - amended

Joachim Stroink
(Halifax Chebucto)

First Reading. December 4, 2013
 Second Reading December 5, 2013
 Private and Local Bills Committee. December 10, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 12, 2013
 Third Reading December 12, 2013
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Bill 14 Justices of the Peace Act - amended and Provincial Court Act - amended

Honourable Lena Metlege Diab
(Minister of Justice)

First Reading. December 5, 2013
 Second Reading December 6, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 10, 2013
 Committee of the Whole House December 12, 2013
 Third Reading December 12, 2013
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Commencement Royal Assent
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Bill 15 February Holiday Act

Honourable Kelly Regan
(Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

First Reading. December 5, 2013
Second Reading December 6, 2013
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Third Reading. December 12, 2013
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Bill 16 Chief of Protocol Appointment Act

Honourable Maureen MacDonald
(Halifax Needham)

First Reading. December 5, 2013

**Bill 17 Executive Council Act - amended and
Public Service Act - amended**

Honourable Stephen McNeil
(President of the Executive Council)

First Reading. December 5, 2013
Second Reading December 6, 2013
Law Amendments Committee December 9, 2013
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Third Reading. December 12, 2013
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Bill 18 Black Cultural Society Act - amended

Honourable Keith Colwell
(Preston–Dartmouth)

First Reading. December 5, 2013

Bill 19 Trade Union Act - amended

Honourable Kelly Regan
(Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

First Reading. December 6, 2013
 Second Reading December 9, 2013
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 Third Reading December 12, 2013
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Bill 20 House of Assembly Act - amended

Honourable Lena Metlege Diab
(Minister of Justice)

First Reading. December 6, 2013
 Second Reading December 9, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee December 10, 2013
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 Third Reading December 12, 2013
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Bill 21 Trade Union Act - amended

Karla MacFarlane
(Pictou West)

First Reading. December 6, 2013

Bill 22 Retirement Savings in Locked-in Accounts, An Act to Provide Greater Flexibility for Nova Scotians'

Allan MacMaster
(Inverness)

First Reading. December 6, 2013

Bill 23 Labour Standards Code - amended

Allan MacMaster
(Inverness)

First Reading. December 6, 2013

Bill 24 Pension Benefits Act - amended

Allan MacMaster
(Inverness)

First Reading. December 6, 2013

Bill 25 Dental Health Care for All Nova Scotian Children, An Act to Provide

Honourable Maureen MacDonald
(Halifax Needham)

First Reading. December 9, 2013

Bill 26 Affordable Hearing Aids for Seniors Act

Honourable Maureen MacDonald
(Halifax Needham)

First Reading. December 9, 2013

**Bill 27 “St. Andrew’s Society of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia.”,
An Act to Incorporate - amended**

Honourable Timothy Houston
(Pictou East)

First Reading December 10, 2013
 Second Reading December 10, 2013
 Law Amendments Committee April 17, 2014
 Committee of the Whole House April 22, 2014
 Third Reading April 29, 2014
 Royal Assent May 1, 2014
 Commencement Royal Assent
 2014 Statutes Chapter 31

Bill 28 Public Consultation on the Canada Pension Plan Act

Honourable Maureen MacDonald
(Halifax Needham)

First Reading December 11, 2013

Bill 29 Municipal Government Act - amended

John Lohr
(Kings North)

First Reading December 12, 2013

Bill 30 Essential Home-support Services (2014) Act

Honourable Kelly Regan
(Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

First Reading February 28, 2014
 Second Reading February 28, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee March 1, 2014
 Third Reading March 1, 2014
 Royal Assent March 1, 2014
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**Bill 31 Protect Patients and Provide for the Fair Resolution
of Contract Negotiations in Health Care and Community Services,
An Act to**

Honourable Jamie Baillie
(Cumberland South)

First Reading. February 28, 2014

**Bill 32 Forestry Agreement Statutes Repeal (2014) Act
(Bowaters Mersey Agreement Act 1962 - repealed, Halifax Power
and Pulp Company Limited Agreement Act 1962 - repealed, Oxford
Lease Purchase Act - repealed and Scott Maritimes Limited
Agreement (1965) Act - repealed)**

Honourable Zach Churchill
(Minister of Natural Resources)

First Reading. March 27, 2014
Second Reading March 28, 2014
Law Amendments Committee April 14, 2014
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Third Reading. April 28, 2014
Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
Commencement:
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Bill 33 Fair Registration Practices Act - amended

Honourable Kelly Regan
(Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

First Reading. March 27, 2014
Second Reading March 28, 2014
Law Amendments Committee April 14, 2014
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Third Reading. April 28, 2014
Royal Assent. May 1, 2014

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Bill 34 Notaries and Commissioners Act - amended

Honourable Lena Metlege Diab
(Minister of Justice)

First Reading March 27, 2014
Second Reading March 28, 2014
Law Amendments Committee April 14, 2014
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Third Reading April 29, 2014
Royal Assent May 1, 2014
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Bill 35 Property Valuation Services Corporation Act - amended

Honourable Mark Furey
(Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

First Reading March 28, 2014
Second Reading April 22, 2014
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Third Reading April 29, 2014
Royal Assent May 1, 2014
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Bill 36 Economic Growth Goals Act

Honourable Jamie Baillie
(Cumberland South)

First Reading March 28, 2014

Bill 37 Essential Health and Community Services Act

Honourable Kelly Regan
(Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

First Reading. March 31, 2014
 Second Reading April 1, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 2, 2014
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 Third Reading. April 4, 2014
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 Commencement Royal Assent
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Bill 38 Balanced Budget Act

Tim Houston
(Pictou East)

First Reading. March 31, 2014

Bill 39 Building Our New Economy Act

Honourable Maureen MacDonald
(Halifax Needham)

First Reading. April 2, 2014

Bill 40 Maintenance and Custody Act - amended

Honourable Lena Metlege Diab
(Minister of Justice)

First Reading. April 7, 2014
 Second Reading April 22, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 29, 2014
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 Third Reading. May 1, 2014
 Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
 Commencement Proclamation
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Bill 41 Electricity Efficiency and Conservation Restructuring (2014) Act

Honourable Andrew Younger
(Minister of Energy)

First Reading. April 7, 2014
 Second Reading April 8, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 17, 2014
 Committee of the Whole House April 22, 2014
 Third Reading April 29, 2014
 Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
 Commencement:
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Bill 42 Workers' Compensation Act - amended

Honourable Frank Corbett
(Cape Breton Centre)

First Reading. April 8, 2014

Bill 43 Direct Sellers' Regulation Act - amended

Honourable Mark Furey
(Minister of Service Nova Scotia)

First Reading. April 8, 2014
 Second Reading April 22, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 24, 2014
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 Third Reading April 29, 2014
 Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
 Commencement:
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Bill 44 Public Trustee Act - amended

Honourable Lena Metlege Diab
(Minister of Justice)

First Reading.	April 9, 2014
Second Reading	April 22, 2014
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Third Reading.	April 29, 2014
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**Bill 45 Apprenticeship and Trades Qualifications System
Reform (2014) Act
(Apprenticeship and Trades Qualifications Act - amended and
Community Colleges Act - amended)**

Honourable Kelly Regan
(Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

First Reading.	April 10, 2014
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Bill 46 Lyme Disease Strategy Act

Tim Houston
(Pictou East)

First Reading.	April 10, 2014
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Honourable Sterling Belliveau
(Queens–Shelburne)

First Reading. April 10, 2014

Bill 48 Workers' Compensation Act - amended

Honourable Frank Corbett
(Cape Breton Centre)

First Reading. April 10, 2014

Bill 49 Motor Vehicle Act - amended

Honourable Geoff MacLellan
(Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal)

First Reading. April 11, 2014
 Second Reading April 22, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 23, 2014
 Committee of the Whole House April 24, 2014
 Third Reading April 29, 2014
 Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
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Bill 50 St. Francis Xavier University Act

Lloyd Hines
(Guysborough–Eastern Shore–Tracadie)

First Reading. April 11, 2014
 Second Reading April 29, 2014
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 Committee of the Whole House May 1, 2014
 Third Reading May 1, 2014
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Bill 51 Municipal Government Act - amended

Honourable Mark Furey
(Minister of Municipal Affairs)

First Reading.	April 14, 2014
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Royal Assent.	May 1, 2014
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Bill 52 Liquor Control Act - amended

Honourable Diana C. Whalen
(Minister responsible for the Liquor Control Act)

First Reading.	April 15, 2014
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Bill 53 Police Act - amended

Honourable Lena Metlege Diab
(Minister of Justice)

First Reading.	April 15, 2014
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Bill 54 Voluntary Blood Donations Act

Honourable David A. Wilson
(Sackville–Cobequid)

First Reading. April 15, 2014

Bill 55 Halifax Regional Municipality Charter - amended

Honourable Mark Furey
(Minister of Municipal Affairs)

First Reading. April 16, 2014
 Second Reading April 22, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 23, 2014
 Committee of the Whole House April 24, 2014
 Third Reading April 28, 2014
 Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
 Commencement April 1, 2014
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Bill 56 Dental Act - amended

Honourable Leo A. Glavine
(Minister of Health and Wellness)

First Reading. April 17, 2014
 Second Reading April 24, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 29, 2014
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 Third Reading May 1, 2014
 Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
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**Bill 57 Cemeteries and Funeral Services Act - amended and
Embalmers and Funeral Directors Act - amended**

Honourable Mark Furey
(Minister of Service Nova Scotia)

First Reading. April 17, 2014
Second Reading April 22, 2014
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Third Reading. April 28, 2014
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**Bill 58 Oil Refineries and L.N.G. Plants Municipal Taxation Act -
amended**

Honourable Mark Furey
(Minister of Municipal Affairs)

First Reading. April 17, 2014
Second Reading April 22, 2014
Law Amendments Committee April 23, 2014
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Third Reading. April 28, 2014
Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
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Gordon Wilson
(Clare-Digby)

First Reading. April 17, 2014
Second Reading April 29, 2014
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Committee of the Whole House May 1, 2014
Third Reading. May 1, 2014
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Bill 60 Securities Act - amended

Honourable Diana C. Whalen
 (Minister of Finance and Treasury Board)

First Reading April 22, 2014
 Second Reading April 24, 2014
 Law Amendments Committee April 29, 2014
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 Third Reading May 1, 2014
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Honourable Jamie Baillie
 (Cumberland South)

First Reading April 22, 2014

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Honourable Michel P. Samson
 (Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism)

First Reading April 23, 2014
 Second Reading April 24, 2014
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Bill 63 Education Act - amended

Honourable Karen Casey
(Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development)

First Reading.	April 23, 2014
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Honourable Diana C. Whalen
(Minister of Finance and Treasury Board)

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Honourable Keith Colwell
(Minister of Agriculture)

First Reading.	April 23, 2014
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Honourable Mark Furey
 (Minister of Municipal Affairs)

First Reading. April 23, 2014
 Second Reading April 24, 2014
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Bill 67 Invest Nova Scotia Board Act

Honourable Michel P. Samson
 (Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism)

First Reading. April 23, 2014
 Second Reading April 28, 2014
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Honourable Denise Peterson-Rafuse
(Chester–St. Margaret’s)

First Reading. April 23, 2014

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Honourable Labi Kousoulis
(Minister of Internal Services)

First Reading. April 25, 2014
 Second Reading April 28, 2014
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Honourable Diana C. Whalen
(Minister of Finance and Treasury Board)

First Reading. April 25, 2014
 Second Reading April 25, 2014
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 Royal Assent. May 1, 2014
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Bill 71 Public Highways Act - amended

Tim Houston
(Pictou East)

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