

Youth Affairs Bill

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 sets out the purposes of the Act.

Clause 2 sets down the objects of the Act.

Clause 3 provides for the Act to come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Clause 4 sets out the definitions for the purposes of the Act.

Clause 5 sets down the powers and duties of the Minister for the purposes of carrying the Act into effect.

Clause 6 allows the Minister to make available the services of an officer of a Government department to a voluntary organization or other appropriate body. It also allows the Minister to agree with a voluntary organization, a person, municipality or public statutory authority to carry out works or an undertaking or provide services which the Minister has the power to carry out or provide.

Clause 7 enables the Minister to delegate his powers under the Act to the Youth Policy Development Council or an officer of the Bureau of Youth Affairs.

Clause 8 continues in existence the Youth Policy Development Council as well as setting out the composition of the membership of that Council. It also provides for the appointment of Deputy Members at the Minister's discretion.

Clause 9 sets down the functions of the Youth Policy Development Council in relation to youth affairs.

Clause 10 deals with the tenure of membership of the Youth Policy Development Council and the filling of vacancies in the membership of the Council.

Clause 11 deals with the quorum and meetings of the Council.

Clause 12 provides that the Minister may authorize payments in relation to the objects of the Act to, for example municipalities, public statutory authorities or voluntary organizations, out of moneys appropriated by Parliament.

Clause 13 enables regulations to be made for the various purposes of the Act.

Clause 14 provides transitional provisions for the Youth Policy Development Council.

Clause 15 amends the *Education Act 1958* to provide for the use of school premises and facilities for the purposes of this Act and the *Youth, Sport and Recreation Act 1972*.

Clause 16 and Schedule 1 make consequential amendments to the *Youth, Sport and Recreation Act 1972*.

