

**IL 2011-06**  
**AN ACT TO AMEND THE NUNATSIAVUT ASSEMBLY ACT,**  
**CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1**

*Be it enacted by the President of Nunatsiavut and the Nunatsiavut Assembly as follows:*

1. The heading immediately following section 1 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is amended to read “PART 1 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION”.
2. The numbering of section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is amended to read “2(1)”.
3. A new definition is added immediately before the definition of Assembly in section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, as follows:

"AngajukKâk " means the chief executive officer and mayor of an Inuit Community Government who is *ex officio* a member of the Nunatsiavut Assembly under subsection 4.1.2(b) of the Constitution;

4. A new definition is added immediately before the definition of Clerk in section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, as follows:

“Chairperson” means the executive officer of an Inuit Community Corporation referred to as the “Chair” in Part 11.3 of the Constitution who is *ex officio* a member of the Nunatsiavut Assembly under subsection 4.1.2(c) and section 11.2.1 of the Constitution;

5. The definition of “*Ex Officio* Members” in section 2 and the content of sections 10 and 11 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, are deleted. Sections 10 and 11 remain blank.
6. The definition of Member in section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is deleted and replaced with the following:

“member” means a member of the Assembly and includes the President;

7. A new definition is added immediately before the definition of President in section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, as follows:

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“ordinary member” means a member who is elected to represent a constituency referred to in section 4.2.1 of the Constitution but does not include an AngajukKâk or a Chairperson;

8. **Section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is amended by deleting the definition of “Session” and replacing it with the following:**

“Session” means an annual convening of the Assembly that:

- (a) is summoned and prorogued by the President; and
- (b) is comprised of two or more separate Sittings;

9. **A new definition is added immediately following the definition of Session in section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, as follows:**

“Sitting” means a meeting of the Assembly that:

- (a) is held during, and as part of, a Session; and
- (b) continues for a period of one or more days;

10. **The definition of “Term” in section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is deleted.**

11. **Section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is amended by deleting the definition of “Standing Orders and Procedures” and replacing it with the following:**

“Standing Orders” means the standing orders and rules of procedure of the Nunatsiavut Assembly established pursuant to section 84 of this Act and includes the continuing consolidation thereof;

12. **Section 2 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is amended by adding a new subsection as follows:**

(2) In this Act and the Standing Orders:

- (a) words importing female persons include male persons and words importing male persons include female persons;
- (b) words in the singular include the plural, and words in the plural include the singular;
- (c) where a word is defined, other parts of speech and grammatical forms of the word have corresponding meanings;
- (d) the expressions “shall” and “must” are to be understood as imperative and the expression “may” as permissive; and

- (e) headings and marginal headings are for ease of reference and are not to be used for purposes of interpreting the Standing Orders.

**13. Sections 32 to 37, inclusive, of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, are deleted and replaced with the following:**

- 32. During each Session the President shall convene a spring Sitting and a fall Sitting and may convene the Assembly more often if the President deems it necessary or desirable to do so.
- 33. A spring Sitting must be convened between January 15 and June 30, and a fall Sitting must be convened between September 8 and December 15.
- 34. In a year in which a general election is held the President must, during the period from January 15 to June 30, convene a Sitting of the outgoing Assembly prior to the election and a Sitting of the next Assembly following the election.
- 35. The President shall, by order, convene the first Session of the Assembly following a general election no later than two weeks after the date of the election.
- 36. A Sitting may last for one day or for two or more consecutive days.
- 37. The Assembly may agree to a recess within a Sitting or a Session without ending the Sitting or the Session, as the case may be.

**14. Section 84 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is deleted and replaced with the following:**

- 84. (1) In addition to the provisions of this Act respecting the government and procedures of the Assembly, the Assembly may, by motion, establish, amend and repeal standing orders and rules of procedure for its government, the attendance of its Members, the conduct of its business, and for limiting the length of time that Members may speak.
- (2) A motion to make, amend or repeal a Standing Order under subsection 84(1) must be approved by a vote of 50% plus one of the Members present and voting in favour thereof.

**15. Section 85 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is deleted and replaced with the following:**

- 85 (1) The Clerk shall, under the supervision of the Speaker:

- (a) maintain a copy of all motions approved under section 84 of this Act;
  - (b) compile, and at all times maintain, a continuing consolidation of the Standing Orders;
  - (c) ensure that the Standing Orders are available at each sitting of the Assembly;
  - (d) distribute or otherwise make available copies of the Standing Orders to each Member; and
  - (e) upon request and payment of a copy fee, as set from time to time by the Speaker, supply copies of the Standing Orders to members of the public.
- (2) A copy of a consolidation of the Standing Orders that is certified by the Speaker to be a true copy of the Standing Orders shall be relied on as a correct statement of the Standing Orders current as of the date on which the consolidation was certified.

**16. Section 86 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is deleted and replaced with the following:**

86. The Standing Orders and Procedures attached as Schedule A to the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, shall be absolutely deemed for all purposes to have been enacted pursuant to section 84 of this Act until such time as they are amended or repealed pursuant to that section.

**17. The *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is amended by:**

- (a) **deleting Schedule A to the Act;**
- (b) **deleting the reference to Schedule A in the Table of Contents; and**
- (c) **deleting the words and phrases “Standing Orders and Procedures”, “Standing Orders and Procedures of the Assembly” and “procedures and Standing Orders” wherever they appear and replacing them with the phrase “Standing Orders”.**

**18. Section 9 of the *Nunatsiavut Assembly Act*, CIL 01-03-2010 N1.1, is amended by deleting the phrase “Chair of each Inuit Community Corporation” and replacing it with “each Chairperson”.**