BILL NO. 105

Thirty-first Legislative Assembly First Session

Act to Amend the Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act

The Commissioner of Yukon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly, enacts as follows

- 1 This Act amends the Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act.
- 2 The Act is amended by deleting the words "Government Leader" where it appears in subsections 14(1) and 14(6) and in paragraphs 16(1)(c), 17(b), 17(c), 24(a) and 24(b) and substituting for them the word

"Premier".

- 3 Subsection 3(1) of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph
 - "3(1)(d) is more than one year in arrears on any amount owed to the government."
- 4 Section 3 of the Act is amended by adding the following subsections
 - "3(2.1) The term "Member or Minister" where it appears in paragraph 3(1)(d) of this Act includes
 - (a) the spouse or common-law partner and dependent child or children of the Member or Minister,
 - (b) any sole proprietorship or partnership of which the Member or Minister is a proprietor or partner, and
 - (c) any corporation controlled directly or indirectly by one or more of the Member or Minister, or the spouse or common-law partner, or dependent child or children of the Member or Minister.
 - (2.2) The term "government" where it appears in paragraph 3(1)(d) of this Act has the same meaning as it has in the *Financial Administration Act*."

5 Section 7 of the Act is amended by adding the following subsection

"7(4) A Minister shall forward any disclosure statements or amendments filed with the clerk of the Legislative Assembly to the Deputy Head or Deputy Heads reporting to that Minister. A Deputy Head or Deputy Heads may assist the Minister to identify matters of real or apparent conflict of interest for the Minister and assist the Minister in recognizing situations when the Minister should not participate in the decision-making process but, rather, should be referring certain matters to a previously-designated alternate Minister."

6 Subsection 18(1) of the Act is amended by deleting the expression "three years" where it appears and substituting for it the expression

"five years".

7 The Act is amended by adding the following section immediately after section 30

- "31(1) The 32nd Legislative Assembly shall, during its first 25 sitting days, establish and appoint a special committee for the purpose of reviewing this Act.
- (2) Subsequent special committees shall be established and appointed in the same manner following every second general election after the appointment of the last special committee.
- (3) A special committee appointed for the purpose of reviewing this Act shall report its findings and recommendations to the Legislative Assembly within one year of its appointment by having its Chair
 - (a) table the report in the Legislative Assembly if it is then sitting, or
 - (b) transmit the report to all members of the Legislative Assembly and then make it public."