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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

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## Prince Edward Island

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January 4, 2023

To the Members of the Legislative Assembly of  
Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown

I am pleased to present the 2022 Annual Report of the  
Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island and the P.E.I.  
Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association for  
the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.



The second spring sitting of the Second Session of the 66th General Assembly commenced February 22, 2022, and concluded on May 6, 2022. The fall sitting of the Second Session of the 66th General Assembly began on November 1, 2022 and concluded on December 1, 2022.

As the conservation project for Province House continues, we encourage the public of Prince Edward Island to visit our interim Assembly Chamber in the Honourable George Coles Building, Monday to Friday or take part when the Legislature is in session.

I wish to acknowledge and thank all staff for their contribution and commitment for their work in supporting the Members and operations of the Legislative Assembly on Prince Edward Island.

Respectfully,

Honourable Colin LaVie, MLA  
MLA Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

# Who We Are

The legislative branch of our provincial government has the power and responsibility to debate, amend and make laws. The Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island, also referred to as "the House", is made up of one elected member or MLA from each of the 27 electoral districts across the province.

One of the primary responsibilities of the Legislative Assembly is to create provincial laws. Proposed laws are put forward by members as bills. Bills that pass all stages and receive Royal Assent from the Lieutenant Governor become laws.

The Legislative Assembly also holds the government accountable for its actions and for departmental expenditures. This is a key function of the Legislative Assembly, ensuring the public - through its elected members - has a say in how public monies are spent.

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## Mandate

The Office of the Legislative Assembly's mandate is to support elected officials in their legislative duties. It is guided by the Legislative Assembly Act L-7.1, which sets out the composition, duration, abilities, responsibilities and rules of the parliament for the Province. This act further specifies roles and administrative processes that facilitate the business and operation of 'the House'.

The Legislative Assembly also administers the Provincial Emblems and Honours Act RSPEI 1987 Cap P-26.1 when facilitating the Order of Prince Edward Island merit award, the highest honour the province can bestow on its citizens.

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## Mission

- To provide professional, non-partisan and efficient services to facilitate and support the operation of the parliament of the province, and;
- to capture, maintain and provide access to the records of parliamentary business to the legislative members and the public in order to uphold our democratic process.
- To make the operation of parliament in our province accessible to all.

# Our Values and Ethics

## **Democratic**

Helping parliamentarians, under law, to serve the public interest.

## **Professional**

Serving with competence, excellence, efficiency, objectivity and impartiality.

## **Ethical**

Acting at all times to uphold the public trust.

## **Respectful**

Demonstrating respect, fairness and courtesy in our relations with the public, colleagues and fellow public servants.

# Our Offices

## **Standing Committee on Legislative Assembly Management**

The Standing Committee on Legislative Assembly Management deals with the administration of the House and the provision of all services and facilities to Members. Chaired by the Speaker, an additional 6 MLAs complete its membership.

## **Office of the Speaker**

The Speaker is the presiding officer of the Legislative Assembly, and is responsible for maintaining order and regulating debate in accordance with the rules and practices of the House. The Speaker plays a role ensuring all viewpoints have the opportunity of a hearing in debate and must cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie. The Speaker also chairs the Standing Committee on Legislative Assembly Management.

## **Office of the Clerk**

Members are supported in their parliamentary functions by services administered by the Clerk, the chief executive officer of the Legislative Assembly. The Clerk has both procedural and managerial responsibilities and oversees the delivery of nonpartisan services to the Members of the Legislative Assembly. The Clerk advises the Speaker and Members on parliamentary procedure, traditions, and precedents and presides over the election of the Speaker. The Clerk also manages enquiries from the independent offices and the public.

The Office of the Clerk manages the following departments and functions:

- **Communications & External Relations** provide proactive strategic corporate, (internal and external), communications planning, implementation and advice for the Assembly. The position is responsible for the development and implementation of communications, marketing strategies, public engagement and special projects, (including Province House), and their compliance with Assembly priorities. This position also serves as Secretary to the Order of Prince Edward Island Advisory Council.
- **Committees** provide topical information to the Legislative Assembly on issues of concern and often provoke important public debate. Committee members are groups of MLAs who carry out detailed investigations which enable the Assembly to make informed decisions. They may consult the public and collect the views of individuals, communities, professionals, businesses, academics and other groups in the course of these investigations.

- **Corporate Services** supports the work of the Speaker, Members and independent offices by assisting with financial, administrative and human resource management services.
- **Hansard** transcribe the daily debates of the Legislative Assembly which provide interested parties, and the general public, details of what was said by whom on the issues discussed. Hansard also produce journals for these debates and transcribe committee meetings.
- **Library & Research** This service is a nonpartisan and confidential source of information, news and reference for Members of the Legislative Assembly, their caucus staff, standing committees, and staff of the Legislature. The librarian maintains the Assembly's website and assists with print publication design. The Director of Parliamentary Research manages research projects on legislation, policy and other current issues for Members.
- **Multimedia & Broadcast Services** is responsible for producing the television broadcast and webcast of parliamentary proceedings, as well as maintaining a video archive of all legislative proceedings. The team provides audio, video and technical support to Members of the Legislative Assembly, media and presenters to standing committees.
- **Order of Prince Edward Island** is the highest honour the Province can bestow on its citizens. It gives public recognition to individual Islanders whose efforts and accomplishments have been exemplary and have contributed to the social, economic or cultural life of the Island. The administrative duties of the Order's Advisory Council are provided through the Office of the Clerk.
- **Parliamentary Counsel** serves as the legal advisor and legislative drafter in the Office of the Clerk and provides legal and procedural advice to the Clerk of the House and to the Legislative Assembly as a whole in matters of parliamentary law, procedure and privilege.
- **Security Sergeant-At-Arms** is a position steeped in parliamentary tradition as defined in the Legislative Assembly Act, RSPEI 1988 Cap L-7.1, which, with the Mace, enables the House to exercise its considerable rights and privileges and to carry out various functions assigned to it. The Sergeant-At-Arms is also responsible for the operational security of the Legislative Assembly with the objective of providing a safe and secure environment for MLAs and Assembly staff to conduct their parliamentary responsibilities.

- **Sessional Administration** During the sittings of the Legislative Assembly, additional administrative support is required. Sessional Administration supports the Clerk with the production, dissemination and safekeeping of documents and organization of the Legislative Pages.

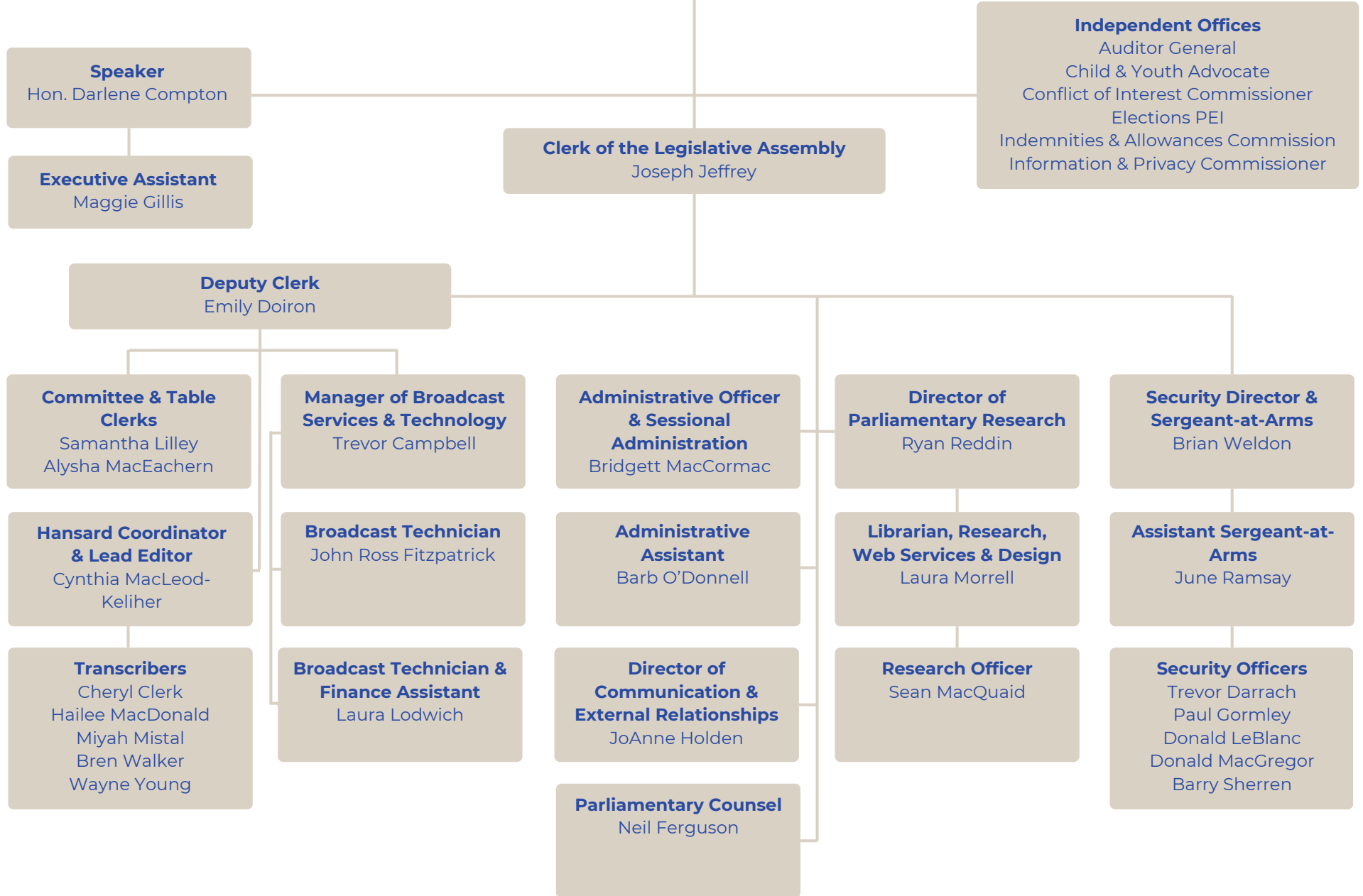
### Buildings of the Legislative Assembly



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|    | <b>Province House</b><br>165 Richmond Street                                    |
|    | <b>Hon. George Cole Building</b><br>175 Richmond Street                         |
|  | <b>J Angus McLean Building</b><br>94 Great George Street                        |
|  | <b>Office of the Speaker and<br/>Office of the Clerk</b><br>197 Richmond Street |



# Standing Committee on Legislative Assembly Management



# Independent Offices

Established to inform and implement policy and to provide information to both the Legislative Assembly and the public, the independent offices of the Legislative Assembly are as follows;



**The Auditor General** conducts independent audits and examinations that provide objective information, advice, and assurance to the Legislative Assembly. The Office promotes accountability and best practices in government operations.



**The Child and Youth Advocate** promotes and protects the rights of children and youth and provides oversight of government funded programs and services to children and youth.



**The Conflict of Interest Commissioner** assists Members and Ministers in reconciling their private and public interests to enhance public confidence in the Legislative Assembly.



**Elections PEI**'s mandate is to administer Provincial General Elections, By-elections, Referendums and Plebiscites. Elections PEI assists with Municipal Elections as they are hired by four municipalities to administer their elections and by-elections along with the School Board Elections on PEI.



**The Indemnities and Allowances Commission** is a non-partisan body that reviews and establishes salaries and benefits for the Members of the Legislative Assembly.



**The Information and Privacy Commissioner** accepts appeals from applicants, or third parties, who are not satisfied with the response they receive from public bodies as a result of an access to information request. The Commissioner also investigates privacy complaints.



**The Ombudsperson & Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner** promotes fairness and transparency in the public sector to enhance good governance and public confidence in government. The office looks for fair resolutions and make recommendations to improve the practices of public agencies.



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January 1, 2022

The Honourable Colin LaVie  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly  
197 Richmond Street, Charlottetown

It is my pleasure to present the 2022 Annual Report for the Legislative. This report highlights organizational accomplishments during the fourth year of the 66th Assembly.

The primary role of the Office of the Legislative Assembly is to deliver services to elected Members and support them in their work representing Islanders. The Legislative Assembly is the most important government institution in our province. It enables members to gather information, closely examine issues important to Islanders and promotes transparency and accountability in government.

This was the year that COVID infections impacted the operations of the Legislative Assembly. Virtual-hybrid proceedings were held for the first time during the Pandemic and showed that even in an emergency, the Legislative Assembly can adapt to be able to meet. The professional staff who serve this institution have once again delivered services to members in very challenging circumstances.

We had the honour of hosting two conferences this year. The Canadian Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference and the Professional Development Seminar for Canadian Clerks-at-the-Table. Not only were these both great opportunities for professional development and networking but also a chance to show delegates from around the world the beauty of Prince Edward Island.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the support of you, and the Members of the Standing Committee on Legislative Assembly Management in dealing with matters necessary for the efficient operation of the Legislative Assembly.

Sincerely,



**Joseph Jeffrey**  
**Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and**  
**Secretary, PEI Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association**

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# History of the Legislative Assembly

Prince Edward Island's government was not always led by one House of elected representatives; for roughly the first 120 years of Island governance, there were two legislative bodies, the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly. A two-body Legislature is known as a bicameral Legislature.

- 1770** The Mi'kmaq island of Epekwitk was renamed St John's Island by the British in 1758 after gaining control from French settlers who had named it Île St. Jean following their arrival in 1720.  
The island's journey to self-governance begins with the arrival of Governor Patterson on the 19th of September.
- 1773** The first House of Assembly is elected. Only Protestant males could vote or hold office at this time and 18 Assemblymen gathered, passing 13 laws in 5 days.
- 1812** John Plaw completes a building in Queen's Square to house the legislature and courthouse. Before this time, the legislature had met in private homes and taverns.
- 1833** The term of members of the legislature is set to four years. Prior to this time, the term was determined solely according to the will of the Governor. Today, the term of an Assembly is a maximum of five years after the return of the writs for a general election. MLAs do not have a maximum term.
- 1839** The Legislative Council is separated into the Legislative Council and the Executive Council, and some members of the House of Assembly also serve on Executive Council.
- 1847** The legislature meets in the newly constructed Colonial Building for the first time. It later came to be known as Province House and remains the permanent seat of the legislature to this day.
- 1851** Responsible Government, (self-governance), is granted, largely due to the existence of an elected House of Assembly. George Coles, a strong supporter of the system, becomes the first Premier.
- 1862** A new Act requires that the Legislative Council no longer be appointed but elected.
- 1864** In September, Prince Edward Island hosts The Charlottetown Conference, which leads to Confederation and the birth of Canada as a nation.
- 1873** Prince Edward Island joins Confederation.
- 1893** The Legislative Council and House of Assembly are merged to form the Legislative Assembly, with 30 members. Each of the 15 electoral districts

elected an Assemblyman and a Councilor, a system that was unique in Canadian politics until its abolition in 1996.

- 1913** An Act is passed to require secret balloting for provincial elections.
- 1923** Under a new Election Act, women vote for the first time in a PEI election.
- 1966** The riding of 6th Queens is created, increasing the Legislative Assembly from 30 to 32 members.
- 1970** Jean Canfield becomes the first women elected to the island legislature.
- 1979** Marion Reid becomes the Legislative Assembly's first female Deputy Speaker.
- 1983** Marion Reid becomes the first female Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.
- 1990** Pat Mella becomes the first female leader of a provincial political party in PEI. Marion Reid becomes the Legislative Assembly's first Lieutenant Governor.
- 1993** Catherine Callbeck becomes the first female Premier of PEI and n all of Canada. Pat Mella held the Opposition seat in the House, Nancy Guptill was elected Speaker of the House, Libbe Hubley Deputy Speaker and with Marion Reid as Lieutenant Governor, the five most powerful executive and parliamentary roles in government were filled by women simultaneously for the first time in Canada's history, and are subsequently known as PEI's Famous Five.
- 1996** The 1996 general election was the first time an Assembly was elected under the Election Act and Electoral Boundaries Commission of 1994 which established single member representation for each of the 27 districts of the redrawn electoral map, a system still in use today.
- 2015** Province House closes for extensive structural repairs and restoration. The Speech from the Throne for the First Session of the Sixty-fifth General Assembly is delivered on June 3rd in the neighbouring Honourable George Coles Building, marking the first time since 1847 that the full legislature has sat anywhere but Province House.
- 2021** New Virtual Proceedings rule effective January 1, 2021 in response to COVID 19, (first case detected March 14, 2020).
- 2022** 2nd Session of the 66th General Assembly opens with an in-person and virtual hybrid proceeding.

# Events

## Staff Changes

On February 15, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly swore in the province's first Ombudsperson, Sandy Hermiston.

The Ombudsperson & Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner role was established in accordance with the Ombudsperson Act to promote fairness and transparency in the public sector and to enhance good governance and public confidence in government.

The office looks for fair resolutions and makes recommendations to improve the practices of public agencies.



L-R: Joseph Jeffrey - Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Sandy Hermiston - Ombudsperson & Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner

## Province House



Sail Cloth Removal  
Photo Credit: Parks Canada

Parks Canada, Public Services and Procurement Canada achieved several milestones in Phase 2 of its 4-phase renovation plan.

These began with the completion of the exterior masonry work, facilitating the removal of the sail cloth which had surrounded the building for almost 4 years.

Interior masonry repairs and replacements were also completed, along with the restoration and installation of all 101 original sash windows

The roof restoration incorporated both traditional materials and modern components resulting in weather-proof, thermally efficient, low maintenance upgrade.

For more information visit

<https://parks.canada.ca/lhn-nhs/pe/provincehouse/conservation>

## Potato Wart Fungus

From its discovery in 2 locations in October 2021, potato wart fungus had an immeasurable impact on the Island and its potato farmers, following the federal order restricting the movement of fresh PEI potatoes world-wide and a ban on seed potatoes in November 2021.



Potato Wart Fungus  
Photo Credit - CBC.com

In February 2022, the Island was able to resume table stock exports to Puerto Rico after meeting USDA and Canada Food Inspection Agency requirements and fresh potatoes were once again able to cross the border in April. Seed potatoes are currently still subject to trade suspensions.

Potato wart fungus management and mitigating its impacts were the subject of a number of Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability meetings, which saw presentations from and met with industry, provincial and federal representatives regarding practices and provisions being put in place and enabled the committee to make cohesive and impactful recommendations to government.

## PEI Canada Winter Games Mascot Visit



Ole Hammarlund - MLA, Wowkwis - PEI Canada Winter Games Mascot, Denis King - Premier

Mi'kmaw quillwork medallion around its neck, created by Mi'kmaw artist Noella Moore.

The Legislative Assembly had a special guest in the public gallery May 6th, Wowkwis, the PEI mascot of the 2023 Canada Winter Games, being hosted by Island for the second time, (the previous time being in 1991).

Created from the winning design by 9 year old Myla Doucette, Wowkwis is Mi'kmaq for red fox, and the furry mascot wears a

# Continued Second Session of the 66th General Assembly

The 2nd spring sitting of the 2nd Session of the 66th General Assembly commenced February 22, 2022 with virtual hybrid proceedings for the first time in its history.

New MLA Mark McLane, a Progressive Conservative candidate who had been elected as a Member for the district of Cornwall-Meadowbank on November 15, 2021, attained a further 2 firsts for the Legislative Assembly; the first new MLA to take their seat in the House for the first time virtually and the first to do so twice, when on February 24, he was again presented to the House and took his seat in-person.

This sitting concluded May 6. The 2nd fall sitting began November 1 and ended December 1, 2022, bringing the 66th General Assembly to its conclusion.

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## Budget

Honourable Darlene Compton, Minister of Finance, delivered the 2022 Budget Address to the Legislative Assembly of PEI on February 24th. Hon. Darlene Compton began by recognizing the community's unique challenges and opportunities, emphasizing the need for government action and highlighted achievements in vaccination and the easing of pandemic restrictions, expressing optimism about the economy's potential for growth.

The budget passed on May 4th following 16 days of debate in the House.

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## Government and Private Member Bills

2022 saw a total of 51 bills introduced in the House, 42 Government, 8 Private Members' and 1 Private. 5 of the Private Members' and the 1 Private bill passed all stages and received Royal Assent, along with 33 of the Government bills, 39 in total.



# Cabinet Changes

On July 15, the following MLAs were given new ministerial responsibilities;

- Hon. Darlene Compton - Minister of Agriculture and Land, Minister of Justice and Public Safety, and Attorney General and continued to serve as the Deputy Premier
- Hon. Matthew MacKay - Minister of Social Development and Housing
- Hon. Bloyce Thompson - Minister of Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture
- Hon. Cory Deagle - Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure
- Hon. Mark McLane - Minister of Finance



They joined their colleagues;

- Hon. Natalie Jameson, Minister of Education and Lifelong Learning and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women
- Hon. Steven Myers, Minister of Environment, Energy and Climate Action
- Hon. Jamie Fox, Minister of Fisheries and Communities
- Hon. Ernie Hudson, Minister of Health and Wellness

New membership for cabinet committees were also announced.

The House Leaders and Whips were:

- Government House Leader: Sidney MacEwen, Morrell-Donagh
- Government Whip: Zack Bell, Charlottetown-Winsloe
- Opposition House Leader: Michele Beaton, Mermaid-Stratford
- Opposition Whip: Trish Altass, Tyne Valley-Sherbrooke
- Third Party House Leader: Gordon McNeilly Charlottetown-West Royalty
- Third Party Whip: Robert Henderson, O'Leary-Inverness

# Members of the 2nd Session 66th General Assembly - 2022



Souris-Elmira  
*Speaker*  
Hon. Colin LaVie



Summerside  
-South Drive  
Stephen Howard



Charlottetown  
-Victoria Park  
Karla Bernard



Straford-Keppoché  
James Aylward



Alberton-Bloomfield  
*Health & Wellness*  
Hon. Ernie Hudson



Tyne Valley-  
Sherbrooke  
*Opposition Whip*  
Trish Altass



Mermaid-Stratford  
*Opposition House Leader*  
Michele Beaton



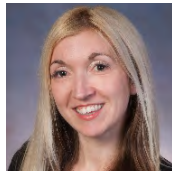
Georgetown-Pownal  
*Environment, Energy &  
Climate Action*  
Hon. Steven Myers



Rustico-Emerald  
Brad Trivers



Charlottetown  
-Brighton  
Ole Hammarlund



Summerside-Wilmot  
Lynne Lund



Brackley-Hunter River  
*Premier  
Intergovernmental Affairs  
& Indigenous Relations*  
Hon. Dennis King



Kensington-Malpeque  
*Social Development  
& Housing*  
Hon. Matthew MacKay



Charlottetown-  
Belvedere  
Hannah Bell



New Haven-Rocky Point  
*Leader of the Official  
Opposition*  
Peter Bevan-Baker



Belfast-Murray River  
*Agriculture & Land  
Justice & Public Safety,  
Attorney General  
Deputy Premier*  
Hon. Darlene Compton



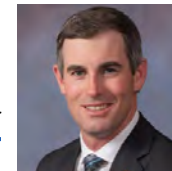
Stanhope-Marshfield  
*Economic Growth,  
Tourism & Culture*  
Hon. Bloyce Thompson



Tignish-Palmer Road  
*Deputy Speaker*  
Hal Perry



Evangeline-Miscouche  
*Leader of the Third Party*  
Sonny Gallant



Morell-Donagh  
*Government House  
Leader*  
Sidney MacEwen



Charlottetown-  
Hillsborough  
*Education & Lifelong  
Learning  
Status of Women*  
Hon. Natalie Jameson



O'Leary-Inverness  
*Third Party Whip*  
Robert Henderson



Charlottetown-  
West Royalty  
*Third Party House Leader*  
Gordon McNeilly



Borden-Kinkora  
*Fisheries & Communities*  
Hon. Jamie Fox



Montague-Kilmuir  
*Transportation  
& Infrastructure*  
Hon. Cory Deagle



Cornwall-Meadowbank  
*Finance*  
Hon. Mark McLane



Charlottetown-Winsloe  
*Government Whip*  
Zack Bell

## 58th Canadian Regional Conference

The first of two inter-parliamentary organisation events held on the Island this year was the 2022 Canadian Parliamentarian Association's annual conference from July 16 - July 22.

Business sessions began with jurisdictional updates and proceeded to include a PEI perspective on private Members bills, a Quebec Citizens' roundtable on modern legislatures, British Columbia's governance framework, unparliamentary language and behaviour, climate change and progress at Province House as part of a series of restoration projects at legislatures.



Delegates at the Rodd Charlottetown

## Clerks at the Table Annual General Meeting



AGM invite banner

The second inter-parliamentary organisation event held on Island in 2022, was the Annual General Meeting of Legislative Assembly Clerks, held on PEI from August 29 - September 2. With the aim of collaborating on best practice, conducting jurisdictional scans and sharing experiences, hosted over 5 days, the event managed a packed agenda

which, in addition to a two-part Annual General Meeting, included presentations and meetings on Manitoba's perspective, British Columbia's governance framework review, a parliamentary privilege panel, a roundtable discussion on parliamentary stewardship, a modern legislature's workshop and international reports.

## Death of Queen Elizabeth II

On September 8, the Lieutenant Governor Antoinette Perry extended condolences on behalf of all Islanders to King Charles III and the entire Royal Family following the announcement of the death of Queen Elizabeth II with books of condolences made available to the public at Government House and the Hon. George Coles Building in Charlottetown and the provincial libraries in Souris, Montague, Summerside and Tignish. The Lieutenant Governor's website also hosted an online book of condolence.



Illuminated Province House,  
Charlottetown

The day of the Commemorative Ceremony on September 19 was declared as a one-time statutory holiday in Prince Edward Island by the provincial Cabinet, with the Island's official Commemorative Ceremony being held at St. Peter's Cathedral Church in Charlottetown at 2pm. The event was live streamed and made available for viewing through Government of PEI channels and Province House was illuminated blue that night as part of the commemoration.

## Hurricane Fiona



A hurricane damaged Charlottetown house - Photo Credit: Mikee Mutuc/CBC

Making landfall on the evening of September 23, the effects of Hurricane Fiona will be felt for many years to come.

Island-wide power outages ranged from hours in a few cases to days for most and, unfortunately weeks some. Damage to properties, power and telecom lines from fallen trees was widespread and especially prevalent in the Brighton area of

Charlottetown with its historic trees, meaning it joined some rural areas in the longest waits for the restoration of services.

The Legislative Assembly was able to return to business on October 11 with the hurricane's aftermath the subject the reason for the increased number of meetings for the Education and Economic Growth, Health and Social Development and Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability Standing Committees.

## Smudging Ceremony at Province House

On November 2nd the Mi'kmaq leadership, L'nuey and Parks Canada representatives took part in a smudging ceremony held at Province House.



A handwoven basket made by Keptin James Bernard was filled with sacred medicine, blessed by an elder and placed within a

renovated wall of the building to establish a connection between the Mi'kmaq and the provincial government, resetting the tone of the building in which discussions and decisions that excluded and impacted indigenous people had been made.

Lennox Island First Nation Chief Darlene Bernard stated the event was in recognition the spirit of collaboration between the Mi'kmaq on PEI and the provincial government and that Mi'kmaq items would be on permanent display when the building reopens to the public.

## Legislative Assembly Precinct Activities



Transgender Flag outside the Hon. George Coles Building - Photo Credit Travis Kingdon/CBC

Province House, the Honourable George Coles Building, the J. Angus MacLean Building and St Paul's Anglican Church Rectory form the Legislative Assembly precinct.

The provincial flag is flown in front of the Hon. George Coles Building daily and is periodically joined by the provincial or national flag of a visiting delegation or dignitary, lowered to commemorate anniversaries of significant loss or replaced by flags of marginalized communities on national dates of awareness.

This area, along with the Grafton Street side of the Hon. George Coles Building, is also host to community events, Island celebrations, local protests and rallies throughout the year.

For more Legislative Assembly's precinct buildings information, visit <https://www.assembly.pe.ca/buildings-of-the-legislative-assembly>.

## Legislative Pages

Legislative Pages are Grade 11 and 12 honour students who have shown an interest in the Legislative Assembly and public affairs. Active members of their schools and communities, their pursuits often include such things as 4-H, music, Rotary Youth Parliament, sports, student council, volunteering and writing.

The Legislative Page Program gives them a unique chance to see the Legislature's work firsthand. Pages are responsible for delivering documents, making photocopies, serving refreshments to Members, and other general responsibilities as assigned by the Speaker and Clerks. Their work term follows the academic year, commencing with the fall sitting in November, and ending with the close of the spring sitting.

This year's Pages were:

- Bluefield High School  
Isabel Campanaro
- Charlottetown Rural High School  
Frida Schneider
- Colonel Gray High School  
Malcolm Orford
- École François-Buote  
Melanie Watson
- Grace Christian School  
Lucas Nguyen
- Kensington Intermediate Senior  
Simba Hove
- Montague Regional High School  
Margaret Wooten
- Morell Regional High School  
Paul Weber
- Souris Reginal High School  
Marissa Howlett
- Three Oaks Senior High School  
Olivia McNeill



(L-R) Melanie Watson, Olivia McNeill, Marissa Howlett, Lucas Nguyen, Malcolm Orford, Hon. Colin La Vie - Speaker, Simba Hove, Frida Schneider, Isabel Campanaro, Margaret Wooten

For more information on the Legislative Pages, visit:  
[www.assembly.pe.ca/about/student-opportunities/page-program](http://www.assembly.pe.ca/about/student-opportunities/page-program).

## UPEI Legislative Internship

The Legislative Internship Program is run in partnership with the Department of Political Studies at the University of Prince Edward Island.



Each year, a third or fourth year student majoring in history and/or political science is selected by their faculty to participate in a paid internship at the Legislative Assembly in each of the fall and winter semesters.

The Internship promotes a deeper understanding of the functions and processes of the Legislative Assembly within the university faculties and provides students with an opportunity to work in their field of study while gaining real-world, practical knowledge of the provincial institution that governs the Island. Students are also encouraged to pursue projects within their areas of academic interest while they put their research skills and political studies knowledge to use.

In 2022, Cedric Stead joined the Assembly staff from January to April, and between September to December, Jack Weeks participated in the program.



Panoramic view of the Hon. George Coles Building Legislative Assembly House Chamber

For more information on the UPEI Legislative Internship, visit:  
[www.assembly.pe.ca/about/student-opportunities/upei-internship](http://www.assembly.pe.ca/about/student-opportunities/upei-internship).

# The Order of Prince Edward Island

The Order of Prince Edward Island, first conferred in 1996, is the highest honour that can be accorded to a citizen of the province.

It was established as a way of encouraging and acknowledging the outstanding achievements of individual citizens of the province and is awarded annually following a public nomination process with 3 recipients being selected by an independent Advisory Council.



The Order of PEI Advisory Council considers each nomination and makes final recommendations to the Premier in their role as President of Executive Council. The Premier then forwards those recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor, who is Chancellor of the Order.

The 3 Islanders selected to receive the honour were:

- Dr. John Andrew
- Gary Schnider
- Claudette Thériault



(L-R): Hon. Dennis King, Premier, Gary Schnider, Claudette Thériault, Dr John Andrew and Hon. Antoinette Perry, Lieutenant Governor, at The Confederation Centre, October 2022

For more information on the Order of Prince Edward Island, visit:  
<https://www.assembly.pe.ca/index.php/opei>.



# Reports and Statistics

## 2022 Standing Committees

| <b>Legislative Assembly Management</b><br>Committee Clerk: Joseph Jeffrey - Number of Meetings: 1 in camera |                                                                                             |                                              |
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| <b>Members</b>                                                                                              | Chair: Hon. Colin LaVie<br>Michele Beaton<br>Zack Bell<br>Hon. Peter Bevan-Baker            | Sonny Gallant<br>Sidney MacEwen<br>Hal Perry |
| <b>Reports</b>                                                                                              | <u>Report of the Standing Committee on Legislative Management on Bill 127 - Nov 4, 2022</u> |                                              |

| <b>Education and Economic Growth</b><br>Committee Clerk: Alysha MacEachern - Number of Meetings: 18 + 3 in camera |                                                                                         |                                                           |
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| <b>Members</b>                                                                                                    | Chair: Zack Bell<br>Triss Altass<br>Lynne Lund<br>Hon. Mark McLane - until Sep 7        | Gordon McNeilly<br>Hal Perry<br>Brad Trivers - from Sep 7 |
| <b>Reports</b>                                                                                                    | <u>Committee Activities - Apr 6, 2022</u><br><u>Committee Activities - Nov 25, 2022</u> |                                                           |

| <b>Health and Social Development</b><br>Committee Clerk: Samantha Lilley - Number of Meetings: 22 + 4 in camera |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                     |
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| <b>Members</b>                                                                                                  | Chair: Gordon McNeilly<br>Michele Beaton<br>Zach Bell                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Karla Bernard<br>Robert Henderson<br>Sidney MacEwen |
| <b>Reports</b>                                                                                                  | <u>Committee Activities - Mar 25, 2022</u><br><u>Prince Edward Island Human Rights Commission - Nov 4, 2022</u><br><u>Motion No. 97 - Referring Bill 49 (Supported Decision-Making Agreements Act) to Committee - Nov 17, 2022</u><br><u>Committee Activities - Nov 24, 2022</u> |                                                     |

| <b>Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability</b>                 |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                   |
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| Committee Clerk: Alysha MacEachern - Number of Meetings: 17 + 2 in camera |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                   |
| <b>Members</b>                                                            | Chair: Brad Trivers - from Sep 8<br>James Aylward - from Sep 8<br>Hannah Bell<br>Hon. Darlene Compton - from Sep 8 | Hon. Cory Deagle - until Sep 8<br>Robert Henderson<br>Ole Hammarlund<br>Hal Perry |
| <b>Reports</b>                                                            | <u>Committee Activities - Apr 29, 2022</u><br><u>Committee Activities - Nov 15, 2022</u>                           |                                                                                   |

| <b>Public Accounts</b>                                             |                                                                   |                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Committee Clerk: Ryan Reddin - Number of Meetings: 6 + 2 in camera |                                                                   |                                                 |
| <b>Members</b>                                                     | Chair: Hannah Bell<br>James Aylward - from Sep 8<br>Sonny Gallant | Lynne Lund<br>Sidney MacEwen<br>Gordon McNeilly |
| <b>Reports</b>                                                     | <u>Committee Activities - Nov 24, 2022</u>                        |                                                 |

| <b>Rules, Regulations, Private Bills and Privileges</b>         |                                                                                                                                          |                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Committee Clerk: Emily Doiron - Number of Meetings: 4 in camera |                                                                                                                                          |                                                    |
| <b>Members</b>                                                  | Chair: Lynne Lund<br>Karla Bernard<br>Sonny Gallant                                                                                      | Sidney MacEwen<br>Hon. Matthew MacKay<br>Hal Perry |
| <b>Reports</b>                                                  | <u>Private Bill No. 200 - Mar 30, 2022</u><br><u>Recognition of Guests - Apr 19, 2022</u><br><u>Parliamentary Calendar - May 6, 2022</u> |                                                    |

# 2022 House Statistics

| <b>Sitting Days</b>                    | <b>42</b>     | <b>49</b>     | <b>54</b>     |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b><u>Bills</u></b>                    | <b>2020</b>   | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2022</b>   |
| Government Bills Brought               | 42            | 42            | 42            |
| Government Bills Passed                | 40            | 39            | 33            |
| Private Members' Bills Brought         | 19            | 22            | 8             |
| Private Members' Bills Passed          | 9             | 13            | 5             |
| Private Bills Brought                  | 2             | 0             | 1             |
| Private Bills Passed                   | 2             | 0             | 1             |
| <b><u>Questions</u></b>                | <b>2020</b>   | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2022</b>   |
| Total Number of Questions              | 1,244         | 1,258         | 1,718         |
| Longest Question Asked                 | 1 min, 39 sec | 1 min, 33 sec | 1 min, 21 sec |
| Longest Answer Given                   | 2 min, 11 sec | 2 min, 15 sec | 1 min, 51 sec |
| Shortest Question Asked                | 6 seconds     | 2 seconds     | 4 seconds     |
| Shortest Answer Given                  | 4 seconds     | 2 seconds     | 1 second      |
| <b><u>Member Statements</u></b>        | <b>2020</b>   | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2022</b>   |
| Total Number of Member Statements      | 123           | 146           | 152           |
| Longest Statement                      | 4 min, 14 sec | 4 min, 24 sec | 4 min, 15 sec |
| Shortest Statement                     | 1 min, 2 sec  | 58 seconds    | 50 seconds    |
| <b><u>Ministerial Statements</u></b>   | <b>2020</b>   | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2022</b>   |
| Total Number of Ministerial Statements | 87            | 82            | 49            |
| Longest Statement                      | 5 min, 57 sec | 5 min, 43 Sec | 5 min, 56 sec |
| Shortest Statement                     | 1 min, 17 sec | 1 min, 1 sec  | 1 min, 13 sec |
| <b><u>Motions</u></b>                  | <b>2020</b>   | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2022</b>   |
| Total Number of Motions                | 43            | 79            | 54            |
| Government                             | 10            | 7             | 14            |
| Other than Government                  | 32            | 72            | 38            |
| Introduced Jointly                     | 1             | 0             | 2             |
| Passed                                 | 13            | 22            | 18            |
| <b><u>Written Questions</u></b>        | <b>2020</b>   | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2022</b>   |
| Number of Written Questions            | 166           | 109           | 39            |
| Number of Written Answers              | 166           | 102           | 34            |

## 2022 Durations

| Questions                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Longest Question Asked:</b><br>1 min, 21sec | <b>November 16</b> – From the Leader of the Opposition to the Minister of Agriculture and Land regarding the recurring practice of granting permits after development has begun in the buffer zone.<br><b>March 29</b> – Regarding the carbon tax rebate, the Leader of the Opposition asked the Minister of Environment, Energy, and Climate Action whether their government takes the climate crisis seriously.                   |
| <b>Longest Answer Given:</b><br>1 min, 51 sec  | <b>March 9</b> – Given by the Premier regarding cabinet shuffling and added bureaucracy. The Premier’s answer involved discussions of government processes, the empowerment of people on the frontlines, and the delivery of programs.                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Shortest Question Asked:</b><br>4 seconds   | <b>April 6</b> – Asked by the member representing Summerside-Wilmot to the Minister of Economic Growth, Tourism, and Culture, discussing corrective action and harassment in the workplace. The question was, “what advice would you give her if she works for government?”                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Shortest Answer Given:</b><br>1 second      | <b>April 6</b> – Given by the Premier to the member representing Mermaid-Stratford regarding whether the heckling of a Minister represents the government. The response was “no”.<br><b>November 18</b> – The Minister of Health and Wellness gave the answer to the member representing Mermaid-Stratford when discussing long-term care. The Minister responded “yes” to committing to address rural health issues in Summerside. |

| Member Statements                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Longest Statement:</b><br>4 min, 15 sec | <b>November 4</b> - The member for Mermaid-Stratford recognized the accomplishments of Cameron Gordon.                                                                                         |
| <b>Shortest Statement:</b><br>50 sec       | <b>February 22</b> - The member for Charlottetown-Winsloe recognized the West Royalty Rockets Girls Softball Association first fundraiser called Fill the Dugout Food Drive for the Food Bank. |

| Ministerial Statements                      |                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Longest Statement:</b><br>5 min, 56 sec  | <b>March 8</b> - Hon. Premier announced a support package for Islanders to assist with the impacts related to the increased cost of living for Islanders. |
| <b>Shortest Statement:</b><br>1 min, 13 sec | <b>April 5</b> - The Minister of Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture announced upcoming SkillsPEI Job Fairs.                                             |

# 2022 Legislative Assembly Budget & Expenses

The information below is from the Public Accounts of the Province of Prince Edward Island, Volume II, for the year ending March 31, 2022. The Public Accounts provide the most current information comparing budgeted estimates to actual expenditures.

| <b>Legislative Assembly</b>       |                         |                         |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | <b>Expenses</b>         | <b>Estimates</b>        |
|                                   | <b>\$</b>               | <b>\$</b>               |
| <b>Legislative Services</b>       |                         |                         |
| Administration                    | 187,381                 | 194,500                 |
| Equipment                         | 93,325                  | 97,500                  |
| Materials, Supplies and Services  | 71,250                  | 162,800                 |
| Professional Services             | 11,593                  | 30,000                  |
| Salaries                          | 1,935,787               | 1,983,200               |
| Travel and Training               | 14,166                  | 15,000                  |
|                                   | <u>2,313,502</u>        | <u>2,483,000</u>        |
| <b>Government Members' Office</b> |                         |                         |
| Administration                    | 135,000                 | 129,000                 |
| Equipment                         | (2,002)                 | -                       |
| Salaries                          | 245,848                 | 251,400                 |
|                                   | <u>378,846</u>          | <u>380,400</u>          |
| <b>Opposition Members' Office</b> |                         |                         |
| Administration                    | 53,241                  | 155,100                 |
| Equipment                         | 20                      | -                       |
| Salaries                          | 477,230                 | 394,300                 |
|                                   | <u>530,491</u>          | <u>530,491</u>          |
| <b>Third Party Office</b>         |                         |                         |
| Administration                    | 130,000                 | 155,000                 |
| Salaries                          | 201,345                 | 207,100                 |
|                                   | <u>331,345</u>          | <u>362,200</u>          |
| <b>Total Legislative Services</b> | <b><u>3,554,184</u></b> | <b><u>3,775,000</u></b> |

| <b>Members</b>       |                         |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                      | <b>Expenses</b>         | <b>Estimates</b>        |
|                      | <b>\$</b>               | <b>\$</b>               |
| <b>Members</b>       |                         |                         |
| Administration       | 287                     | 15,000                  |
| Salaries             | 2,423,063               | 2,443,600               |
| Travel and Training  | 109,599                 | 140,000                 |
|                      | <u>2,532,949</u>        | <u>2,598,600</u>        |
| <b>Total Members</b> | <b><u>2,532,949</u></b> | <b><u>2,598,600</u></b> |

### Office of the Child and Youth Advocate

|                                                     | Expenses<br>\$        | Estimates<br>\$       |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Office of the Child and Youth Advocate</b>       |                       |                       |
| Administration                                      | 10,357                | 19,200                |
| Equipment                                           | 6,899                 | 7,000                 |
| Materials, Supplies and Services                    | 19,048                | 29,100                |
| Professional Services                               | 15,388                | 50,000                |
| Salaries                                            | 628,622               | 702,200               |
| Travel and Training                                 | 1,257                 | 16,200                |
|                                                     | <u>681,571</u>        | <u>823,700</u>        |
| <b>Total Office of the Child and Youth Advocate</b> | <b><u>681,571</u></b> | <b><u>823,700</u></b> |

### Office of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner

|                                                        | Expenses<br>\$       | Estimates<br>\$      |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Office of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner</b> |                      |                      |
| Salaries                                               | 55,746               | 51,100               |
| Travel and Training                                    | -                    | 3,200                |
|                                                        | <u>55,746</u>        | <u>54,300</u>        |
| <b>Total Office of the Child and Youth Advocate</b>    | <b><u>55,746</u></b> | <b><u>54,300</u></b> |

### Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

|                                                           | Expenses<br>\$        | Estimates<br>\$       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</b> |                       |                       |
| Administration                                            | 4,120                 | 4,900                 |
| Equipment                                                 | 787                   | -                     |
| Materials, Supplies and Services                          | 120                   | 1,600                 |
| Professional Services                                     | -                     | 18,800                |
| Salaries                                                  | 295,156               | 295,000               |
| Travel and Training                                       | 384                   | 5,000                 |
|                                                           | <u>300,567</u>        | <u>325,300</u>        |
| <b>Total Office of the Child and Youth Advocate</b>       | <b><u>300,567</u></b> | <b><u>325,300</u></b> |

**Office of the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner**

|                                                              | <b>Expenses</b>      | <b>Estimates</b>     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                                                              | <b>\$</b>            | <b>\$</b>            |
| <b>Office of the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner</b> |                      |                      |
| Administration                                               | 176                  | -                    |
| Equipment Professional                                       | 4,719                | -                    |
| Services                                                     | 2,075                | -                    |
| Salaries                                                     | 26,197               | 46,900               |
| Travel and Training                                          | 5,000                | 3,200                |
|                                                              | <u>38,167</u>        | <u>50,100</u>        |
| <b>Total Office of the Public Interest Disclosure Comm.</b>  | <b><u>38,167</u></b> | <b><u>50,100</u></b> |

**Elections PEI**

|                                   | <b>Expenses</b>         | <b>Estimates</b>        |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | <b>\$</b>               | <b>\$</b>               |
| <b>Elections PEI</b>              |                         |                         |
| Administration                    | 35,131                  | 8,200                   |
| Equipment                         | 6,621                   | 1,300                   |
| Materials, Supplies and Services  | 29,773                  | 17,500                  |
| Professional Services             | 2,900                   | 14,000                  |
| Salaries                          | 410,016                 | 341,300                 |
| Travel and Training               | 3,741                   | 10,000                  |
|                                   | <u>488,182</u>          | <u>392,300</u>          |
| <b>Total Elections PEI</b>        | <b><u>488,182</u></b>   | <b><u>392,300</u></b>   |
| <br>                              |                         |                         |
| <b>Total Legislative Assembly</b> | <b><u>7,651,366</u></b> | <b><u>8,019,300</u></b> |

# PEI Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association



The CPA is an Association of Commonwealth Parliamentarians who, irrespective of gender, race, religion or culture, are united by community of interest, respect for the rule of law and individual rights and freedoms, and by pursuit of the positive ideals of parliamentary democracy.

Its purpose is to promote knowledge and understanding of the constitutional, legislative, economic, social and cultural systems within a parliamentary democratic framework. It undertakes this mission with particular reference to the countries of the Commonwealth of Nations and to countries having close historical and parliamentary associations with it.

CPA provides the sole means of regular consultation among Members of Commonwealth Parliaments. It fosters cooperation and understanding among them and promotes the study of, and respect for, Parliament.

The CPA pursues these objectives by means of:

- Annual Commonwealth Parliamentary Conferences, Regional Conferences and other symposiums;
- Interparliamentary visits;
- Parliamentary Seminars and Workshops;
- Publications, notably *The Parliamentarian*, *Canadian Parliamentary Review* and two newsletters on CPA activities and on parliamentary and political events;
- Parliamentary Information and Reference Centre communication

For more information on the PEI Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, visit: [www.cpahq.org/directory/prince-edward-island](http://www.cpahq.org/directory/prince-edward-island).



# Inter-Parliamentary Organisations Meetings

Conferences provide Members and staff with unique opportunities to have parliamentary exchanges and to discuss issues of mutual importance with colleagues, provincial, national and state parliaments as well as the legislatures of dependent territories. Those conferences included:

**37e Session de l'Assemblée régionale Amérique de l'Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie (APF)** - July 18 - 22 - Edmonton, Alberta

**Participant(s):** Gordon McNeilly, MLA

**Topics:** Francophone/Albertan history, heritage, culture, cultural tourism, youth culture, the digital age and the future of Francophone/Albertan culture.

**Commonwealth Parliamentary Association 65th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference** - August 20 - 25, 2022 - Halifax, Nova Scotia

**Participant:** Hal Perry, Deputy Speaker

**Topics:** Inclusive, Accessible, Accountable and Strong Parliaments: The Cornerstone of Democracy and Essential for Development.

**Robert J Thompson Eastern Leadership Academy** - August 21 - 25, 2022 – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Participant:** Trish Altass, MLA

**Topics:** Lectures and hands-on workshops in media relations, negotiation skills and public speaking

**Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committees (CCPAC) - Canadian Council of Legislative Auditors (CCOLA) Public Accounts Conference** - August 28 - 31, 2022 - Ottawa, Ontario

**Participants:** Hannah Bell, MLA; Sonny Gallant, MLA

**Topics:** AGM followed by jurisdictional updates, mandate, policy and best practice knowledge, panel discussions, innovation and mitigation strategies.

**Parliamentary Visitor Services Association (PVSA)** - September 5 - 8, 2022 - Toronto, Ontario

**Participant:** JoAnne Holden, Director of Communication & External Relationships

**Topics:** Annual meeting to share knowledge and discuss emerging issues in the field.

**Canadian Conflict of Interest Network Conference** - September 7 - 9, 2022 - Yellowknife, Northwest Territories

**Participant:** Judy Burke, Conflict of Interests Commissioner

**Topics:** Annual meeting to share knowledge and discuss emerging issues in the field.

**Annual Director's Meeting for the Association of Parliamentary Libraries in Canada (APLIC)** - September 13 - 16, 2022 - Virtual (Quebec City, Quebec)

**Participant:** Laura Morrell - Librarian, Research, Web Content Services & Print Design

**Topics:** Improve parliamentary library service in Canada, foster communication among members, discuss matters of mutual interest, identify issues requiring research, facilitate cooperation with related parliamentary officials and organizations.

**Canadian Parliamentary Council of Committee Clerks (CPCCC) Conference** - October 11 - 13, 2022 - Ottawa, Ontario

**Participants:** Alysha MacEachern, Committee Clerk; Samantha Lilley, Committee Clerk

**Topics:** Committee powers, jurisdictional updates, high profile studies, inclusive language and resources for participants including mental health supports.

**Commonwealth Parliamentary Association 42nd Canadian Regional Parliamentary Seminar** - October 13 - 16, 2022 - Yellowknife, Northwest Territories

**Participants:** Hal Perry, Deputy Speaker; Joseph Jeffrey, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; Michelle Beaton, MLA; Sonny Gallant, MLA;

**Topics:** Delegates from the federal, provincial and territorial CPA branches meeting for annual training and knowledge exchanges related to their work as legislators.

**Parliamentary Officers' Study Program** - October 24 - 26, 2022 - Ottawa, Ontario

**Participant:** Samantha Lilley, Committee Clerk

**Topics:** The Canadian political system, legislative process and role of the Library of Parliament, Senate and House of Commons daily programs, journals table research and items of non-government business, committees, House of Commons Deputy Clerks, Law Clerk, Parliamentary Counsel, technical systems, international and interparliamentary affairs.