

# Standing Committee on Legislative Offices

# Report on the Reappointment of the Child and Youth Advocate

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To the Honourable Nathan M. Cooper Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta

The Standing Committee on Legislative Offices has the honour to submit its report relating to the recommendation for the reappointment of the Child and Youth Advocate for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

Sincerely,

Mike Ellis, MLA Chair, Standing Committee on Legislative Offices

# **Membership of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices**

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February 5, 2020, substitutions pursuant to Standing Order 56(2.1-2.4):

<sup>\*</sup> Rakhi Pancholi, MLA, Edmonton-Whitemud (NDP)

<sup>†</sup> Sarah Hoffman, MLA, Edmonton-Glenora (NDP) (portion of meeting)

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### REPORT ON THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THE CHILD AND YOUTH ADVOCATE

At its Wednesday, February 5, 2020, meeting the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices had under consideration the reappointment of the Child and Youth Advocate.

Section 2 and 3 of the *Child and Youth Advocate Act*, excerpted below, relate to the reappointment of the Child and Youth Advocate:

## **Appointment of Child and Youth Advocate**

2(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council, on the recommendation of the Legislative Assembly, must appoint a Child and Youth Advocate to carry out the duties and functions set out in this Act.

### Term of office

- 3(1) Except as provided for in section 4, the Advocate holds office for a term not exceeding 5 years.
- (2) A person holding office as Advocate continues to hold office after the expiry of that person's term of office until that person is reappointed, a successor is appointed or a period of 6 months has expired, whichever occurs first.
- (3) A person is eligible for reappointment as Advocate.

The Committee passed the following motion in this respect:

**MOVED by** Ms Pancholi that the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices recommend to the Legislative Assembly that Mr. Del Graff be reappointed Child and Youth Advocate from April 1, 2020, to October 31, 2021.

