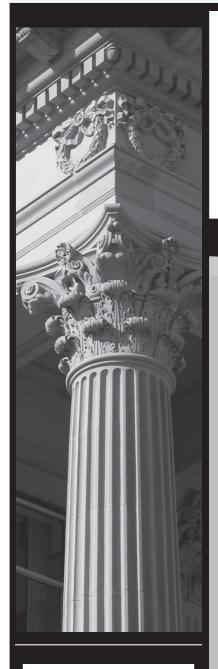
# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA





Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills

# Final Report Bill 204, *Election Recall Act*

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## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS AND PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

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

I have the honour of submitting, on behalf of the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills, the Committee's final report containing recommendations on Bill 204, *Election Recall Act*, for consideration by the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

Sincerely,

[original signed]

Mike Ellis, MLA Chair, Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills

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Mark W. Smith, MLA Drayton Valley-Devon (UCP)

# **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Bill 204, *Election Recall Act*, was introduced and received first reading on October 23, 2019.

## 2.0 ORDER OF REFERENCE

Pursuant to Standing Order 74.11:

- (1) After a public Bill other than a Government Bill has been read a first time, the Bill stands referred to the Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Committee.
- (2) The Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Committee shall report back to the Assembly within 8 sitting days of the day on which the Bill was referred to the Committee.

## **3.0 COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES**

As part of the Committee's review of Bill 204, Committee meetings were held on October 29 and November 4, 2019. The sponsor of Bill 204, Mark Smith, Member for Drayton Valley-Devon, gave a presentation on the Bill to the Committee on October 29, 2019. On November 4, 2019, the Committee received a technical briefing from the Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General on Bill 204. At that meeting three stakeholders also made oral presentations to the Committee. The Committee received two written submissions, one from the Chief Electoral Officer and one from the Canadian Taxpayers Federation.

## **4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

Pursuant to Standing Order 74.2 the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Public Bills Committee recommends

that Bill 204, *Election Recall Act*, proceed.

# APPENDIX A: WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS FROM STAKEHOLDERS

Organization	Name
Elections Alberta	Mr. Glen Resler, Chief Electoral Officer
Canadian Taxpayers Federation	Mr. Franco Terrazzano, Alberta Director

# APPENDIX B: LIST OF ORAL PRESENTERS

Organization	Name
Elections Alberta	Mr. Glen Resler, Chief Electoral Officer Ms Paula Hale, General Counsel for Elections Alberta Ms Pamela Renwick, Director, Election Operations and Communications
Canadian Taxpayers Federation	Mr. Franco Terrazzano, Alberta Director
Private Citizen	Mr. Paul Hinman, former Member of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta