

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
OF  
YUKON**

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**BILL NO. 103**

**AN ACT TO RESPECT VOTERS AND STOP FLOOR CROSSING**

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

**1 The Legislative Assembly Act is amended by:**

a) adding the following subsection immediately after subsection 13 (2):

“(3) A member of the Legislative Assembly who is elected with the endorsement of a party under section 48 (1) of the *Elections Act* and ceases to belong to the caucus of that party during the term for which that member was elected must sit in the Legislative Assembly as an independent member and is to be treated as such for the purposes of this Act and all proceedings in the Legislative Assembly during the remainder of the member's term.

(4) A member of the Legislative Assembly who joins the caucus of a party is deemed to have resigned their seat if, in the last election, the member was endorsed by another party.

(5) The recognized leader of the party whose caucus the member referred to in subsection (4) has joined shall, without delay, notify the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly in writing that the member has joined that party's caucus. ”

b) adding the following subsection immediately after section 15

“15(2) Upon receiving a notice pursuant to subsection 13(5), the Speaker shall immediately address a signed and sealed warrant to the clerk of the Legislative Assembly who shall transmit the warrant to the Commissioner, who shall order the chief electoral officer to issue a writ for an election to fill the vacancy pursuant to the *Elections Act*. “

**2. Section 421 of the Elections Act is repealed and replaced with the following:**

“If a vacancy occurs in the representation of an electoral district, a writ of election to fill the vacancy shall be issued within 90 days after the vacancy occurs unless the vacancy occurs within six months of the expiry of the time limited for the duration of the Legislative Assembly.”