

Legislation Annual Survey - 2019

ID. Council Code (e.g. SC-015)
name

Introduction

Thank you for participating in the annual report survey. As parish council legislation chairpersons, your report will provide essential information to be used for diocesan, provincial and national perspectives.

The legislation standing committee may be vacant, however, your council will be completing the duties of the legislation chairperson under other committees. Kindly continue to fill out the survey to include the work being done by your council.

The survey will have questions to "skip" if you do not have a standing committee chairperson for the position. The intent of this question is to report the personal growth the chairperson experienced. It is imperative we hear if your council was able to fulfill the progress related to that question. The work accomplished by your council can be identified in the last question of the survey where it asks to share any other activities of this position not yet reported.

Please do not be intimidated by the length of the survey. There are many options but it is perfectly okay to leave questions unanswered if your council has not pursued a certain topic.

Thank you for completing this annual survey. Your input is extremely important in giving us a better understanding of all the wonderful works being done and what is of interest to our members across Canada.

Your voice provides valuable input for the future of the League.

Betty Colaneri, National Chairperson of Legislation

About You

Q1 Parish Council Name:

Q2 Parish Council Registered Town:

Q3 Parish Council ID number:

Q4 Reporting to:

Q5 What is your name?

Q6 Is this position filled or vacant?

Filled

Vacant

Q7 If filled, were you elected to the executive, or were you appointed to the executive?

Elected

Appointed

Leadership Profile

As the implementation committee begins its research into leadership in the League, your input into the profile of leadership is important. We invite you to answer the following three questions. (Note: Responses are voluntary.)

Q8 How long have you been a member?

Less than 5 years

16-20 years

6-10 years

21-25 years

11-15 years

more than 25 years

Q9 Have you held this position previously?

yes

no

Q10 What is your age?

under 18

55-64

18-24

65-74

25-34

75-84

35-44

85+

45-54

Monitor and Study Legislation at all Levels of Government

Legislation affects everyone and everything we have and do.

Q11 Do you know the names of your local, provincial and federal government representatives?

municipal

yes

no

- provincial
- federal

Q12 Do you receive mailings from these representatives?

- | | | |
|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | yes | no |
| municipal | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| provincial | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| federal | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Q13 Have you attended public forums sponsored by governments at any level and brought information back to your council?

- yes no

If yes, please describe the forum.

Q14 How would you rate your knowledge of the issues being discussed by government at all levels?

- | | extremely well informed | well informed | somewhat informed | not informed |
|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| municipal | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| provincial | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| federal | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Q15 Have you accessed Hansard, the printed record of the proceeding of federal government?

- yes no

Q16 Please describe your council's level of awareness of the following federal bills that were monitored nationally.

- | | very aware | some knowledge | not aware |
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| Bill C-57 An Act to amend the <i>Federal Sustainable Development Act</i> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Bill C-75 An Act to amend the <i>Criminal Code</i> , the <i>Youth Criminal Justice Act</i> and other Acts and to make consequential amendments to other Acts | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Bill C-418 Protection of Freedom of Conscience Act | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Are there any other federal bills that your council has monitored and/or acted upon? If so, which ones?

Q17 At the 99th annual national convention, national council adopted Resolution 2019.02 Canadian Support for the United Nations *Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons*. Please identify what actions your council has taken.

- Hold a speaker presentation to inform members of the necessity of banning nuclear weapons and of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.
- Provide a list of websites and printed materials to members to increase knowledge of the hazards of nuclear warfare.
- Write letters to the prime minister and local members of parliament indicating support of the *Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons*.
- Monitor the federal government's response to the request contained in the resolution.
- No actions have been taken.

Q18 At the 98th annual national convention, national council adopted Resolution 2018.03 Legislate Designation of Hospice/Palliative Care Services in Facilities to Exclude Medical Assistance in Dying. Please identify what actions your council has taken.

- Write to the prime minister, ministers of justice and health, and your member of parliament, urging the federal government to legislate designation of hospice/palliative care free from medical assistance in dying.
- Educate members on keeping hospice and palliative care free from medical assistance in dying.
- Where hospices are performing medical assistance in dying, withdraw all funding. Write to the board of directors of hospices stating the reason for the withdrawal of donations.
- Monitor the federal government's response to the request contained in the resolution.
- No actions have been taken.

Q19 Are there any provincial bills that your council has monitored and/or acted upon? If so, which ones?

Summary and Final Thoughts

Q20 Please share any other activities of this position not yet reported.

Q21 What is your biggest challenge as chairperson of legislation and how do you plan to address it?

Q22 Do you have any recommendations or suggestions for this standing committee?

Q23 What was your biggest challenge in completing this survey?

Thank you for taking this survey. Your input helps the board to understand the priorities of councils for future planning.

Before pressing the "submit" button, please "print" the survey responses for your records.

To "print", ensure that pop-ups are enabled. If you are unsure how to enable pop-ups, please contact Ingrid at national office for assistance.

WARNING: Once "submit" has been pressed, the "print" function is no longer available.