

2016 Bill 209

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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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ACTIVE SCHOOLS WEEK ACT

MR. SHEPHERD

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to _____, 2016)

Preamble

WHEREAS the promotion of active transportation is important to improving the health and well-being of Alberta's students;

WHEREAS barriers to active transportation should be reduced or eliminated whenever possible; and

WHEREAS a designated week to promote active transportation in Alberta will provide an opportunity for schools and students to collaborate to achieve these shared objectives;

THEREFORE HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

Definitions

1(1) In this Act,

- (a) "active transportation" means any form of transportation propelled by human muscular power, including walking, bicycling and skateboarding;
- (b) "Minister" means the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for this Act.

(2) Any other term or expression used in this Act that is not defined in this Act has the same meaning as may be assigned to it in the *Education Act* or, if not in force, the *School Act*.

Active Schools Week

2(1) To recognize and promote the importance of active transportation for Alberta’s students, the first full week in October of each year, commencing in 2017, shall be known as “Active Schools Week”.

(2) Every school in Alberta shall organize participatory activities for students to mark Active Schools Week annually.

Policy on active transportation

3 Every school in Alberta may, for the purpose of section 2, establish, implement and maintain a policy to promote active transportation by students.

Regulations

4 The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations

- (a) for the purpose of section 3, with respect to the establishment and implementation of a school policy to promote active transportation;
- (b) respecting any matter the Lieutenant Governor in Council considers necessary or advisable for the administration of this Act.

Coming into force

5 This Act comes into force on January 1, 2017.

