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### THE COMMISSION'S MANDATE

The Manitoba Law Reform Commission is an independent law reform agency established by *The Law Reform Commission Act*. The Commission's duties are to inquire into and consider any matter relating to law in Manitoba with a view to making recommendations for the improvement, modernization and reform of law, including:

- the removal of provisions of the law that are outdated or inconsistent;
- the maintenance and improvement of the administration of justice;
- the review of judicial and quasi-judicial procedures under any Act;
- the development of new approaches to, and new concepts of, law in keeping with and responsive to the changing needs of society and of individual members of society; and
- any subject referred to it by the Minister.

### MANDAT DE LA COMMISSION

La Commission de réforme roit du Manitoba est organisme indépendant du gouvernement du Manitoba, établi en vertu de la *Loi sur la Commission de réforme du droit*. La Commission a pour fonctions de faire enquête sur les questions se rapportant au droit manitobain et de les étudier en vue e faire des recommandations pour améliorer, moder iser et réformer le droit, et notamment en vue:

- de supprimer les dispositions du droit qui sont désuètes ou incompatibles;
- de soutenir et d'améliorer l' ministr tion de la justice;
- d'examiner les procédures j res et quasi-judiciaires prévues par une loi quelconque;
- d'élaborer e nouvelles méthodes et e nouveaux concepts de droit correspondant à l'évolution des besoins de l société et des individus qui la composent;
- de traiter tout autre sujet que le ministre lui soumet.

### **PART I**

#### INTRODUCTION

The Manitoba Law Reform Commission is pleased to present its annual report for 2011-2012.

In 2011, the Commission celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of promoting law reform in Manitoba. To mark the occasion, the Commission will begin this annual report by offering a few reflections on its role in Manitoba's law reform process.

The term "I w reform" has been ptly efi ed s the "alteration of the I w n some respect with a view to its improvement." A systematic process of law reform helps to ensure that the legal system remains responsive to the needs and values of society. Laws that do not adequately respond to current social and legal needs risk creating inequities and undermining faith in the legal system and rule of law.

There are many participants in the law reform process. Legislators, governments, judges, professional organizations, community groups and many private individuals routinely work to effect change in the law. However, the Commission's role n reforming the law s unique. The Commission itself has previously commented on the importance of an agency dedicated to the independent review of law:

"L w Reform Commissions were established in M toba nd elsewhere in recognition of the fact that common law and statute law have traditionally been unable to keep up fully with ever-changing social conditions. That they are unable to do so should not be surprising. Much of our law is centuries old, originally developed in a piece-meal fashion to meet the needs of feudal England. Courts are only able to effect changes in the law as and when cases in troublesome areas happen to come before them; legislatures are inevitably preoccupied with issues having greater political interest."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> William Hurlburt, Law Reform Commissions in the United Kingdom, Australia and Canada (Edmonton: Juriliber Limited, 1986) at 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Manitoba Law Reform Commission, Report on the Manitoba Law Reform Commission: Framework for the Future (Report No. 70, 1988) at 1.

As an independent, dedicated law-reform agency, the Manitoba Law Reform Commission is equipped to undertake extensive research and analysis in a broad range of subjects, free from the demands of an over-crowded legislative agenda. The Commission's 40 years of experience bring consistency and specialized knowledge to the process of law reform. The Commission's work also serves an educational purpose, providing comprehensive, comparative research and analysis on a range of topics not always covered in other sources of legal information or in a typical law school curriculum.

Since its creation by statute in 1971, the Commission has issued 125 reports and 44 informal reports and issue papers, all setting out recommendations for reform in diverse areas of the law. Many of the Commission's re omme tions have bee implementeen legislation including, most recently, *The Franchises Act* in 2010 and *The Real Property Amendment Act* in 2011.

The Commission's statutory responsibility s to review the laws of Manitoba d to make recommendations for change where required. The Commission strives to perform this important duty with expertise, objectivity and continuity. In this milestone year, we celebrate the Commission's past achievements and look forward to many productive years ahead.

The Commission released two official reports in 2011-2012: *The Stable Keepers Act* and *Limitations of Actions in Conversion and Detinue*. The Commission released three informal reports dealing with *The Animal Care Act*, limitations of actions against insurers, and a revision to the Commission's previous recommendations in respect of the remedy of specific performance and the uniqueness of land in Manitoba. The Commission also published its first issue paper in March 2012, concerning access to justice.

The Commission has made several changes in its operations in the past year with the goal of enhancing its visibility and accessibility. Foremost among these are the creation of a new website with more complete content and a more user-friendly design, and the distribution of its reports to a wider audience. Details on these initiatives can be found in Part III of this annual report.

### **PART II**

### THE YEAR IN REVIEW April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012

### 1. REPORTS ISSUED

The full text and executive summaries of all reports can be found on our website at www.manitobalawreform.ca.

### A. The Stable Keepers Act (Report #124)

The Commission embarked on this project at the suggestion of a rural Business Development Specialist with Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives that *The Stable Keepers Act* be reviewed. The Commission released a consultation paper in December 2010 with recommendations for modernizing *The Stable Keepers Act*, and published its final report on November 1, 2011.

The Stable Keepers Act report addresses the right of an animal keeper to claim a lien over animals and gear owned by another in circumstances where the owner fails to pay charges owing. The Stable Keepers Act is effectively unchanged from the time of its enactment in 1884; in recent years provinces with similar legislation have refreshed their statutes. The Commission recommends modernizing the Act by expanding its scope, as reflected in the change in the legislation's title from stable keepers to animal keepers, providing more flexible remedies and prescribing a form of notice. The Commission also recommends that any person with a property interest in the animal or gear be able to make an application to the Court of Queen's Be h for determ to of any matter arising out of the operation of the Act.

### **B.** Limitations of Actions in Conversion and Detinue (Report #125)

This report was published on February 8, 2012. The project originated from the Manitoba Law Reform Commission's *Limitations* report, published in October 2010. In the *Limitations* report, the Commission expressed its intention to release a separate report dealing with limitations of actions in conversion and detinue.

Conversion and detinue are torts which protect a person's possessory terests in personal property against wrongful interference. This report examines the problems associated with limitations of actions in conversion and detinue and makes recommendations for specific

provisions in a new *Limitations Act* to deal with these types of claims. The recommendations include a provision that the ultimate limitation period run from the first date the personal property is converted or detained; a provision for a good faith purchaser exception to the ultimate limitation period; and a provision extinguishing title to converted or detained goods at the expiry of the ultimate limitation period.

With the publication of this report, the Commission has completed its work in respect of a modern *Limitations Act* for Manitoba.

### C. The Animal Care Act (Informal Report #27)

The Commission submitted this informal report to the Minister on April 20, 2011. The informal report makes recommendations for amendments to *The Animal Care Act* to strengthen its animal protection provisions. The recommendations are for provisions prohibiting the sale of seized animals to any person related to the individual from whom the animals were originally seized, requiring animal protection officers to respond to complaints from the public, and giving municipal animal control officers the same powers as those enjoyed by provincial animal protection officers.

### D. Limitation of Actions Against Insurers (Informal Report #28)

The Commission submitted this informal report to the Minister on September 1, 2011. This report addresses the need for standardization of limitation periods for actions in breach of an insurance contract under *The Insurance Act*. The report reviews recent changes to legislation in Alberta and British Columbia, and makes general recommendations to further the goal of consistency and accessibility within the provincial limitations regime.

# E. The Remedy of Specific Performance and the Uniqueness of Land in Manitoba – Revision to Informal Report #26 (Informal Report #29)

The Commission submitted this informal report to the Minister on September 1, 2011. The Commission's earl er form 1 report no. 26 made recommendations for legislative amendment to clarify the availability of the remedy of specific performance and uniqueness of land in Manitoba. The revised informal report was submitted in response to recent developments in the case-law concerning the remedy of specific performance.

### F. Access to Justice (Issue Paper #1)

The Commission published this issue paper on March 22, 2012. The paper discusses some possible approaches to the problem of restricted access to justice in Manitoba. The Commission focuses on four areas: legal aid; legal insurance; pro bono activities; and, court fee waiver policies.

### 2. IMPLEMENTATION

Many of the recommendations in the Commission's 2008 Franchise Law report are implemented in The Franchises Act which will come into force on October 1, 2012. The Real Property Amendment Act of 2011 implemented the Commission's recommendations for reducing the complexity involved in sales of land subject to development schemes, as set out in the Development Schemes report of 2006. The Commission continues to urge the Minister of Justice to implement the outstanding recommendations of the Commission. In addition to its most recent reports, areas of particular concern to the Commission are the recommendations relating to: Enduring Powers of Attorney: Supplementary Report (Report #117, 2008), Wills and Succession Legislation (Report #108, 2003), Compensation for Vaccine-Damaged Children (Report #104, 2000) and Informal Assessment of Competence (Report #102, 1999).

### 3. CURRENT PROJECTS

### A. The Nuisance Act and The Farm Practices Protection Act

The common law torts of public nuisance and private nuisance have historically been important legal tools in the resolution of land use conflicts. *The Nuisance Act* and *The Farm Practices Protection Act* have significantly altered the common law of nuisance in Manitoba.

The Nuisance Act restricts the availability of actions in odour-related nuisance. The Commission is examining the history of the Act and its current role within Manitoba's legal landscape to determine whether it continues to serve a useful legislative purpose.

The Farm Practices Protection Act restricts the availability of nuisance actions in the context of agricultural operations. The Act's pro e r l spe ts h ve bee mended periodically since its enactment in 1992, but many of its substantive provisions remain unchanged. The Commission is reviewing the Act to determine whether reform is needed to enhance the utility of this legislation.

### B. Elder Law

The Commission is reviewing the laws of Manitoba with the intention of publishing a series of reports on discrete legal issues affecting older adults in Manitoba. The Commission will identify legislative gaps in such areas as health care decision-making and housing, and make recommendations for reform.

### 4. UPDATE ON PREVIOUS PROJECTS

## A. Review of Defamation Law Respecting Journalism and Anti-SLAPP Legislation

In 2007, Professor Philip Osborne of the Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba, suggested that the Commission examine the law of defamation respecting journalists, with particular emphasis on publications concerning matters of public interest. After completing the initial investigative stage, consulting with journalists and lawyers, and the writing of the first draft of a report, the Commission put the project in abeyance to await commentary about the eventual decisions of the Supreme Court of Canada in *Cusson v. Quan*<sup>3</sup> and *Grant v. Torstar Corp.*<sup>4</sup> These cases addressed the question of whether a defendant in a defamation action can rely on a defence of responsible journalism in the public interest. This defence has been recognized in other common law jurisdictions.

In *Cusson* and *Grant*, the Supreme Court of Canada recognized a common law defence of responsible communication on a matter of public interest, available to anyone who publishes material of public interest in any medium. Commentary has been favourable, <sup>5</sup> although not without some concerns and suggestions for further protection of freedom of expression. <sup>6</sup> In light of this jurisprudence and academic commentary, the Commission has concluded that not only is it premature to assess the sufficiency of the new defence, but ultimately further modification of the law of defamation, if any, is best left to the courts. The Commission has therefore decided to not pursue a project in respect of defamation law respecting journalism.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 2009 SCC 62.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 2009 SCC 61.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Richard Dearden and Wendy Wagner, "Canadian Libel Law Enters the 21st Century: The Public Interest Responsible Communication Defence" (2009-2010) 41 Ott. L.R. 353; Robert Danay, "The Medium is Not the Message: Reconciling Reputation and Free Expression in Cases of Internet Defamation" (2010) 56 McGill L.J 1; Jamie Cameron, "Does Section 2(b) Really Make a Difference? Part 1: Freedom of Expression, Defamation Law and the Journalist – Source Privilege" (2010) 51 S.C.L.R. (2d) 133; Iwan Saunders, "Developments in Tort Law: The 2009-2010 Term" (2010) 52 S.C.L.R. (2d) 311; Bob Tarantino, "Chasing Reputation: The Argument for Differential Treatment of "P bli F gures" n C Def m tion L w" (2010) 48 Osgoode Hall L.J. 595; and Kate Sutherland, "Book Reviews, The Common Law Tort of Defamation, and the Suppression of Scholarly Debate" (2010) 11 German L.J. 656.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Cameron, *supra* note 5; Tarantino, *supra* note 5; Sutherland, *supra* note 5.

On a related subject, the Commission has also considered the question of anti-SLAPP legislation. The acronym SLAPP stands for strategic lawsuits against public participation, and refers to tort litigation launched with the intent of stifling public participation in such activities as reporting health and environmental violations, filing complaints with government agencies, circulating petitions, writing letters, speaking at meetings and hearings, and engaging in public information campaigns. Legislation designed to prevent this type of litigation has been implemented in the province of Quebec and in several jurisdictions outside Canada, and has also been recommended by the Uniform Law Conference of Canada. While the Supreme Court of Canada's ecisions *Cusson* and *Grant* are relevant to this issue, some commentators submit that they do not provide adequate protection to members of the public who may find themselves SLAPP targets. While this is a matter of considerable interest to the Commission, it will not be conducting a project in this regard. The recent report of Ontario's Anti-SLAPP Advisory Panel, released in October 2010, provides an extensive review of this issue and is available to the public.

#### B. Pension Benefits and Marital Breakdown

The issue of division of pension benefits on marital breakdown has been on the Commission's list of pending projects for several years. However, in light of the e tment of comprehensive pension reform legislation in Manitoba in 2010, the Commission has elected to discontinue this project.

### 5. FUTURE PROJECTS

The Commission is contemplating a number of future projects, including:

### • Contiguous lands: natural and other encroachments

Natural encroachments comprise mostly trees and weeds. Other encroachments include buildings, driveways and fences. The common law governs natural encroachments, other than noxious weeds for which there is legislation. Other encroachments are governed by common and statute law. Large areas of the law respecting both natural and other encroachments are confusing and uncertain. The Commission will inquire into possible reform in this area.

### • The Trustee Act

Although Manitoba's *Trustee Act* has been a model for Canada, other provinces have recently made improvements to their statutes which merit consideration, as do recent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Romani Nadarajah and Renee Griffin, "The F lure of Defam tion L w to S feg rd g inst SLAPPs n O tar o" (2010) 19 Rev ew of European Community and International Environmental Law 70.

reports of several law reform agencies. Among others, the Winnipeg Chapter of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners has made several suggestions for reform.

### • The Environment Act

Working with the stakeholders, the Commission will examine sections of *The Environment Act* pertaining to environmental assessments and make recommendations for modernization and reform.

### • The Tortfeasors and Contributory Negligence Act

The Commission will make recommendations for clarifying and modernizing the law of joint tortfeasor liability and contributory negligence.

### • Public Interest Standing

The Commission will inquire into whether the rules restricting the ability to bring an action in cases of public interest should be amended.

The Commission welcomes comments and suggestions with respect to these subject areas and any other projects that may be appropriate for review.

### PART III

### **ADMINISTRATION**

### 1. THE COMMISSIONERS

The Manitoba Law Reform Commission is composed of five to seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Section 3 of *The Law Reform Commission Act* requires that the Commission's membership—lude—judge of the Court of Queen's Be h, a full—time member of the Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba; a lawyer entitled to practise in Manitoba and not in the employ of the government; and a non-lawyer. The current members of the Commission and their terms of office are as follows:

Commissioner	Affiliation	Term expires
Cameron Harvey, Q.C.	Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Law University of Manitoba	June 21, 2009*
John C. Irvine	Professor, Faculty of Law University of Manitoba	August 20, 2009*
Gerald O. Jewers	Justice, Court of Queen's Be h (retired)	June 21, 2009*
Perry W. Schulman	Justice, Court of Queen's Be h	July 25, 2010*

<sup>\*</sup> Awaiting Order in Council for re-appointment.

At the present time, the Commission does not have a practising lawyer member or a non-lawyer member. The Commission is awaiting an Order in Council to fill these two vacancies and to re-appoint the current members.

During the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the Commission held seven regular meetings.

### 2. STAFF

The Commission currently consists of one full-time legal counsel, Catherine Skinner, and one part-time Administrator, Debra Floyd.

### 3. FINANCE

The Manitoba Law Foundation provides a yearly grant of \$100,000 to the Commission. For the fiscal year 2011-2012, the Commission was again fortunate to receive an additional \$20,000 from the Manitoba Law Foundation, increasing the grant to \$120,000. The Department of Justice continues to provide a combination of in-kind services (\$15,000) and a grant (\$85,000), for a total of \$100,000.

The Commission wishes to thank both the Department of Justice and the Manitoba Law Foundation for their continued support of its work.

### 4. EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

The Commission recognizes the importance of community outreach in maintaining the relevance and quality of law reform initiatives in Manitoba. In 2011-2012, the Commission took several steps to improve its accessibility and visibility within the community and to liaise with other law reform agencies.

Foremost among these initiatives is the Commission's new website which features more complete content, including electronic copies of all of the Commission's 125 reports, a more serfriendly lay-out and an up-to-date design. The website was developed throughout the last quarter of the 2011-2012 fiscal year, and is now live at <a href="https://www.manitobalawreform.ca">www.manitobalawreform.ca</a>.

The Commission's new practice of publishing ssue papers on discrete law reform topics is also intended to reach a larger audience and to encourage public involvement in its work. Historically, the Commission has made recommendations for law reform in two types of reports, official and informal. Official reports appear in print and are distributed to members of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba and other interested parties. Printed copies of the official reports are available at Statutory Publications, and electronic versions also appear on the Commission's website. Informal reports typ lly e l with more sc rete leg l issues are submitted directly to the Minister of Justice and Attorney General. The most recent of these informal reports also appear on the Commission's website.

In early 2012, the Commission ended the practice of issuing informal reports and began publishing issue papers to address the types of narrowly defined legal topics formerly dealt with in informal reports. These issue papers will be circulated to a wider audience by email and through publication on the Commission's website.

The Commission is a member of the Federation of Law Reform Agencies of Canada and of the Commonwealth Association of Law Reform Agencies. Commission staff participated in the meetings of the Uniform Law Conference of Canada and the Federation of Law Reform Agencies of Canada in August 2011, and continues to be involved in a ULCC working group work examining the need for reform of commercial tenancies law. The Hon. Gerald Jewers represented the Commission at the Manitoba Bar Association's Tow Hall Meeting on Ac ess to Justice in Winnipeg in June 2011. The Commission also began preparations for a Continuing Professional Development seminar to be delivered in the fall of 2012.

The Commission makes regular contributions to the Manitoba Bar Association's Leg 1 Research Section newsletter, *The Law and Library Monthly*.

The Commission's publ cat ons have been the subject of comme tary j gments, legal journals, and in the print and electronic media. A recent electronic search indicates that the Manitoba Law Reform Commission's publications have been referred to n 110 reported Canadian judgments, and in 72 academic articles.

### **PART IV**

### CONCLUSION

The Commission again wish to express its thanks to the Manitoba Law Foundation and to the Department of Justice for their continued support.

Thanks also to the staff of the Department of Justice, the Faculty of Law, Provincial Archives and Legislative libraries for their continued assistance over the past year.

The Commission is grateful for the assistance of the Deputy Minister, Mr. Jeffrey Schnoor, Q.C. in providing a liaison between the Commission and the Minister. Finally, the Commission thanks the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, the Hon. Andrew Swan, for his support.

This is a report pursuant to section 15 of *The Law Reform Commission Act*, C.C.S.M. L95, dated this 31st day of March 2012.

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John C. Irvine, Commissioner

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Gerald O. Jewers, Commissioner

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### APPENDIX A

### Statement of Receipts and Expenditures 2011-2012 Fiscal Year (000's)

RECEIPTS	
Funds carried forward	
Grant from Department of Justice	85.0 <sup>1</sup>
Last instalment from the Manitoba Law Foundation for 2010-11	
Grant from the Manitoba Law Foundation (first 3 quarterly instalments)	90.0 <sup>2</sup>
Total	\$322.8
EXPENDITURES	
Commissioners' remuner to benefits	\$ 30.6
Staff remuneration	
Payroll operating costs	9.8
Consultants	0
Telephone, postage, courier	
Supplies and service	1.9
Printing, photocopying	5.6
Computer related expenses	8.7
Translation Services	4
Meetings, travel and accommodation	4
Subscriptions and other operating expenses	
Membership fees	4.0
Total	\$173.5
Surplus	\$149.3 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Province of Manitoba provides the Manitoba Law Reform Commission with an \$85,000 grant coupled with \$15,000 in-kind services provided by the Department of Justice for accounting services and office accommodation, bringing the total grant from the Province to \$100,000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As noted in previous reports, the Commission carries forward a balance of at least \$30,000 each year of its grant from the Manitoba Law Foundation as this last instalment is not received until March 31<sup>st</sup> each year. Again this year, with the core grant increase of \$20,000 from the Manitoba Law Foundation, the quarterly instalment payments remain at \$30,000, totalling a grant of \$120,000 for 2011-2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A large portion of this year's surplus s e to funds which have been allocated for remuneration for two vacant Commissioner positions. These positions have been vacant and funds have been accumulating for the past three to four years. A portion of the surplus is also due to the resignation of the two .6 legal counsel positions and replacement of one full-time legal counsel. In addition, funds have been set aside for printing and distribution costs for current reports.

### APPENDIX B

### REPORTS OF THE MANITOBA LAW REFORM COMMISSION\* AND THEIR IMPLEMENTATION

Report	Title	Date	Implementation of Commission's Recommendations
#1	Jury Services for Registered Indians	April 7, 1971	An Act to Amend <i>The Jury Act</i> , S.M. 1971, c. 32
#2	Summary Disposition of Builders' an Workmen's Lie s	April 13, 1971	An Act to Amend <i>The Builders and Workmen Act</i> , S.M. 1976, c. 22
#3	Disposition of Maintenance Judgments in Land Titles Offices	May 25, 1971	An Act to Amend <i>The Judgments Act</i> , S.M. 1972, c. 4
#4	An Act Respecting Billiard and Pool Rooms proposed repeal	October 19, 1971	The Statute Law Amendment Act (1974), S.M. 1974, c. 59 (s. 8)
#5	Recommended Right of Mortgagors to Obtain Annual Statements	October 19, 1971	An Act to Amend <i>The Mortgage Act</i> , S.M. 1971, c. 28
#6	Enactment of a Mineral Declaratory Act	December 20, 1971	The Sand and Gravel Act, S.M. 1972, c. 34  An Act to Amend The Mines Act, S.M. 1972, c. 70 (s. 11)  An Act to Amend The Real Property Act, S.M. 1972, c. 70 (ss. 15 and 16)
#7	Powers of Entry, Search and Seizure in <i>The City of Winnipeg Act</i>	January 24, 1972	An Act to Amend <i>The City of Winnipeg Act</i> , S.M. 1972, c. 93 (ss. 26, 37, 68, 69, 89 and in part ss. 38, 39 and 63)
1A	Auto Engine Numbers in Section 11 of <i>The Bills of Sale Act</i> (Informal Report)	May 11, 1971	The Statute Law Amendment Act, S.M. 1972, c. 81 (s. 3)
1B	<ul> <li>(a) Prospect of Mortgagor's Relief from Provisions of Section 20(6) of <i>The</i> Mortgage Act (Informal Report)</li> <li>(b) Right to Have Mortgage Discharged Upon Payment in Full After Five Years (Informal Report)</li> </ul>	December 29, 1971  December 29, 1971	(change not recommended)  An Act to Amend <i>The Real Property Act</i> , S.M. 1972, c. 37 (s. 103(1)
1C	Amending provisions as to costs in Part II of The County Courts Act to avoid inconsistency with intent of this new legislation (Informal Report)	January 12, 1972	An Act to Amend <i>The County Courts Act</i> , S.M. 1972, c. 38

Report	Title	Date	Implementation of Commission's Recommendations
	First Annual Report	March 13, 1972	(not applicable)
#8	Section 45 of the Offenses Against the Person Act, 1861	July 27, 1972	An Act to Amend <i>The Tortfeasors and Contributory Negligence Act</i> , S.M. 1973, c. 13
#9	A Review of <i>The Privacy Act</i> with proposed Amendments to the Criminal Code of Canada	September 11, 1972	(change not recommended)
#10	The Abolition of Interspousal Immunity in Tort	December 19, 1972	An Act to Amend <i>The Married Women's Property Act</i> , S.M. 1973, c. 12; An Act to Amend <i>The Tortfeasors and Contributory Negligence Act</i> , S.M. 1973, c. 13; An Act to Amend <i>The Criminal Injuries Compensation Act</i> , S.M. 1973, c. 23
2A	Comments on draft Bill to Amend The Jury Act (Informal Report)	April 21, 1972	An Act to Amend <i>The Jury Act</i> , S.M. 1972, c. 56
2B	Relaxation of Limit of Number of Trustees under <i>The Trustee Act</i> (Informal Report)	June 22, 1972	An Act to Amend <i>The Trustee Act</i> , S.M. 1972, c. 60
2C	Uniformity of Definition of Age as between The Age of Majority Act (Man.) And the Criminal Code and the Interpretation Act (Can.) (Informal Report)	August 14, 1972	(not applicable for provincial amendment)
2D	Automatic Attachment of Wages for Maintenance Orders (Informal Report)	November 27, 1972	An Act to Amend <i>The Garnishment Act</i> , S.M. 1974, c. 8
	Second Annual Report	March 20, 1973	(not applicable)
#11	The Advisability of a Good Samaritan Law	March 8, 1973	(change not recommended)
#12	Section 110 of <i>The Real Property Act</i> - the immortal Manitoba mortgage	April 11, 1973	An Act to Amend <i>The Real Property Act</i> , S.M. 1974, c. 44
#13	Pre-licensing Education for Real Estate Agents in Manitoba	December 3, 1973	An Act to Amend <i>The Real Estate Brokers Act</i> , S.M. 1975, c. 23
#14	Special Enduring Powers of Attorney	January 8, 1974	The Powers of Attorney Act, S.M. 1980, c. 4

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#15	Administration of Justice Part I - Control of Post-arrest/pre-trial detention	February 26, 1974	Administration of the Public Safety Building in Winnipeg assumed by the Province of Manitoba, effective October 1, 1977; now called The Winnipeg Remand Centre
3A	Conferring of matrimonial jurisdiction upon a County Court Judge as a local Judge of The Queen's Be h w th the Eastern Judicial District (Informal Report)	March 30, 1973	An Act to Amend <i>The Queen's Bench Act</i> , S.M. 1978, c. 28
3B	Correcting recent error in s. 51 of <i>The Queen's Bench Act</i> (Informal Report)	September 26, 1973	An Act to Amend <i>The Queen's Bench Act</i> , S.M. 1974, c. 15
3C	Conferring jurisdiction to extend time for payment of fines upon provincial judges other than those who imposed such fines (Informal Report)	October 16, 1973	(not applicable for provincial enactment)
3D	Up-dating index to Statutes of Manitoba (Informal Report)	October 23, 1973	Indexing commenced; computer search of statutes available
3E	Repeal of Section 212 of <i>The Liquor Control Act</i> (Informal Report)	December 19, 1973	Substantial acceptance under s. 16 of An Act to Amend <i>The Liquor Control Act</i> , S.M. 1974, c. 63
	Third Annual Report	April 1, 1974	(not applicable)
#16	Definition of Death	May 6, 1974	An Act to Amend <i>The Vital Statistics Act</i> , S.M. 1975, c. 5
#17	An International Form of Wills for Manitobans	May 6, 1974	An Act to Amend <i>The Wills Act</i> , S.M. 1975, c. 6
#18	The Rule in Saunders v. Vautier	January 8, 1975	An Act to Amend <i>The Trustee Act</i> , S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 38 (s. 4)
#19	The Administration of Justice in Manitoba Part II - Review of The Jury System	February 11, 1975	An Act to Amend The Jury Act, S.M. 1977, c. 18
4A	Interprovincial Subpoenas (Informal Report)	January 20, 1975	The Interprovincial Subpoena Act, S.M. 1975, c. 3
4B	Enforcement of Custody Orders (Informal Report)	January 20, 1975	The Extra-Provincial Custody Orders Enforcement Act, S.M. 1975, c. 4
4C	Statutory Sums (Informal Report)	February 11, 1975	Various amendments to Manitoba statutes

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	Fourth Annual Report	April 9, 1975	(not applicable)
#20	The Highway Traffic Act	June 16, 1975	An Act to Amend <i>The Highway Traffic Act</i> , S.M. 1977, c. 34
			An Act to Amend <i>The Highway Traffic Act</i> and <i>The Tortfeasors and Contributory Negligence Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 19
#21	The Administration of Justice in Manitoba Part III - Consolidation of Extra-Provincial Judgment Enforcement	January 28, 1976	-
#22	Some Aspects of Fire Insurance Legislation in Manitoba	February 9, 1976	An Act to Amend <i>The Insurance Act</i> , S.M. 1982, c. 11 (s. 1)
#23	Family Law - Part I The Support Obligation	February 27, 1976	The Family Maintenance Act, S.M. 1978, c. 25
#24	Family Law - Part II Property Disposition	February 27, 1976	An Act to Amend <i>The Gift Tax Act</i> (Manitoba) and <i>The Succession Duty Act</i> (Manitoba), S.M. 1977 (2nd Session), c. 2
			The Marital Property Act, S.M. 1978, c. 24
			An Act to Amend various Acts relating to Marital Property, S.M. 1978, c. 27
			An Act to Amend The Wills Act, S.M. 1980, c. 7
5A	Limitation of Actions for the taking away, conversion or detention of chattels (Informal Report)	May 26, 1975	An Act to Amend <i>The Fatal Accidents Act</i> and <i>Limitation of Actions Act</i> , S.M. 1976, c. 41 (ss. 2-4)
	Fifth Annual Report	March 29, 1976	(not applicable)
#25	The Case for a Provincial Bill of Rights	May 19, 1976	-
#26	Revision of Birth Certificates of Trans-sexual Persons	September 13, 1976	The Vital Statistics Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 58
	Sixth Annual Report	March 14, 1977	(not applicable)

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7A	The Local Authorities Election Act (Informal Report)	May 31, 1977	An Act to Amend <i>The Local Authorities</i> Election Act, S.M. 1980, c. 48
	Seventh Annual Report	March 1, 1978	(not applicable)
#27	Limitation of Actions: Time Extensions for Children, Disabled Persons and Others	January 8, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Limitation of Actions Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 28
#28	Enforcement of Judgments Part I: Exemptions under <i>The Garnishment</i> Act	January 8, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Garnishment Act</i> , S.M. 1979, c. 8
#29	Emergency Apprehension, Admissions and Rights of Patients under <i>The Mental Health Act</i>	February 12, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Mental Health Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 62
#30	Confidentiality of Adoption Records	February 12, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Child Welfare Act</i> , S.M. 1979, c. 22 (s. 60)
			An Act to Amend <i>The Child Welfare Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 41
			Establishment of a Post-adoption Registry
8A	Section 5(1) of <i>The Social</i> Allowances Act (Informal Report)	March 30, 1978	The Statute Law Amendment Act (1984), S.M. 1984, c. 17
	Eighth Annual Report	February 12, 1979	(not applicable)
#31	Political Financing and Election Expenses	August 13, 1979	The Elections Finances Act, S.M. 1980, c. 68
#32	Mechanics' L ens Leg slatio	August 13, 1979	The Builders' Liens Act, S.M. 1980-81, c. 7
#33	Enforcement of Revenue Statutes	August 13, 1979	The Charter Compliance Statute Amendment Act, S.M. 1985, c. 50
#34	Enforcement of Judgments Part III: Exemptions under <i>The Executions</i> Act	October 22, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Executions Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 55
#35	Estate Claims for Loss of Expectation of Life	October 22, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Fatal Accidents Act</i> and <i>The Trustee Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 5

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#36	Improved Methods of Enforcing Support Orders Against Real Property	November 19, 1979	The Family Law Amendment Act, S.M. 1980, c. 54
#37	Systems of Voter Registration	November 26, 1979	The Elections Act, S.M. 1980, c. 67
#38	The One Year Rule for Enforcement of Arrears in Maintenance	January 21, 1980	An Act to Amend <i>The Family Maintenance Act</i> and <i>The Queen's Bench Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 21
9A	The Fire Departments Arbitration Act (Informal Report)	April 17, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Fire Departments Arbitration Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 27
9B	Section 7 of <i>The Payment of Wages Act</i> (Informal Report)	August 15, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Payment of Wages Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 57
9C	The Seduction Act (Informal Report)	October 22, 1979	The Equality of Status Act, S.M. 1982, c. 10
9D	Section 9 of <i>The Manitoba</i> Evidence Act (Informal Report)	November 6, 1979	An Act to Amend <i>The Manitoba Evidence Act</i> , S.M. 1980, c. 26
9E	The Wills Act and Ademption (Informal Report)	November 20, 1979	An Act to Amend The Wills Act, S.M. 1980, c. 7
9F	The term " lleg tim te " (Informal Report)	December 4, 1979	(change not recommended)
	Ninth Annual Report	February 25, 1980	(not applicable)
#39	Controverted Elections	April 21, 1980	The Elections Reform Act, S.M. 2006, c. 15 repealed The Controverted Elections Act and enacted The Elections Act, C.C.S.M. c. E30
#40	Enforcement of Judgments Part II: Exemptions under <i>The Judgments</i> Act	April 21, 1980	-
#41	The Statute of Frauds	August 11, 1980	An Act to repeal the Statute of Frauds, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 34
#42	Occupiers' L b lity	August 11, 1980	The Occupiers' Liab lity Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 29; The Statute Law Amendment Act (1984), S.M. 1984, c. 17 (s. 28)
#43	The Wills Act and the Doctrine of Substantial Compliance	September 8, 1980	The Wills Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 31

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#44	The General Register	September 22, 1980	The Real Property Act and Various Other Acts Amendments Act, S.M. 1987, c. 27
#45	Simplified Mortgage	December 15, 1980	(legislative amendment not required)
10A	Municipal Assessment of Personal Property (Informal Report)	February 26, 1980	(referred to Special Committee)
10B	The Marriage Settlement Act (Informal Report)	October 9, 1980	The Statute Law Amendment Act, S.M. 1980-81, c. 26 (s. 22)
	Tenth Annual Report	February 16, 1981	(not applicable)
#46	Conflict of Interest of Municipal Councillors	April 14, 1981	The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 44
#47	Prejudgment Compensation on Money Awards: Alternatives to Interest	January 4, 1982	The Judgment Interest and Discount Act, S.M. 1986, c. 39 (implemented in principle) (now contained in Part XIV of The Court of Queen's Bench Act)
#48	Prescriptive Easements and Profits- à-Prendre	January 18, 1982	-
#49	The Rules Against Accumulations and Perpetuities	February 12, 1982	The Perpetuities and Accumulations Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 43
#50	Investment Provisions under <i>The Trustee Act</i>	February 12, 1982	An Act to Amend <i>The Trustee Act</i> , S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 38
11A	Parents' Maintenance Legislation (Informal Report)	March 3, 1981	The Parents' Maintenance Act, S.M. 1985-86, c. 47, s. 34
11B	Provincial Offences Procedures (Informal Report)	June 29, 1981	An Act to Amend <i>The Summary Convictions Act</i> , S.M. 1982, c. 24
11C	The Remembrance Day Act (Informal Report)	January 28, 1982	-
	Eleventh Annual Report	February 14, 1982	(not applicable)
#51	The Survivorship Act	September 7, 1982	The Survivorship Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 28

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#52	Structure of the Courts, Part I: Amalgamation of the Court of Queen's Be h the County Courts of Manitoba	October 25, 1982	An Act to Amend The Queen's Bench Act and to repeal The County Courts Act, The Surrogate Courts Act and The County Court Judges' Cr m nal Courts Act and to amend The Municipal Boundaries Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 82  The Court of Queen's Bench Small Claims Practices Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 83  The Court of Queen's Bench Surrogate Pract ce Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 84  An Act to amend Various Acts of the Legislature to facilitate the Reorganization and Expansion of the Court of Queen's Ben h, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 85
#53	The Law of Domicile	December 1, 1982	The Domicile and Habitual Residence Act, S.M. 1982-83-84, c. 80
#54	Certificates of Lis Pendens	February 1, 1983	The Court of Queen's Bench Act, S.M. 1988-89, c. 4 (s. 58)
#55	Structure of the Courts, Part II: The Adjudication of Smaller Claims	March 7, 1983	The Statute Law Amendment Act (1985), S.M. 1985, c. 51
	Twelfth Annual Report	April 11, 1983	(not applicable)
#56	Medical Privilege	October 4, 1983	(privilege not recommended)
#57	Uniform Sale of Goods Act	November 1, 1983	-
	Thirteenth Annual Report	April 2, 1984	(not applicable)
#58	Administrative Law; Part I: Procedures of Provincial Government Agencies	June 29, 1984	(legislative amendment not required); implementation, in part, through governmental policy
#59	Breach of Promise to Marry	October 1, 1984	The Family Law Amendment Act, S.M. 1987, c. 21
14A	Jactitation of Marriage (Informal Report)	October 5, 1984	The Family Law Amendment Act, S.M. 1987, c. 21

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#60	An Examination of The Dower Act	November 19, 1984	The Homesteads, Marital Property Amendment and Consequential Amendments Act, S.M. 1992, c. 46
#61	Intestate Succession	March 25, 1985	The Intestate Succession and Consequential Amendments Act, S.M. 1989-90, c. 43
	Fourteenth Annual Report	April 2, 1985	(not applicable)
#62	Small Projects  1) Section 6 of <i>The Mercantile Law Amendment Act</i> 2) The Rule in Shelley's Case 3) Permissive and Equitable Waste	October 7, 1985	The Law Reform (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act, S.M. 1992, c. 32
#63	The Testators Family Maintenance Act	December 16, 1985	The Dependants Relief Act, S.M. 1989-90, c. 42
#64	The Married Women's Property Act and Related Matters	December 16, 1985	-
#65	Section 83 of The Queen's Bench Act	March 31, 1986	The Statute Law Amendment Act (1986), S.M. 1986-87, c. 19 (s. 12)
#66	The Human Tissue Act	March 31, 1986	The Human Tissue Act, S.M. 1987, c. 39; The Human Tissue Amendment Act, S.M. 1989-90, c. 28
			An Act to Amend <i>The Anatomy Act</i> , S.M. 1987, c. 57
15A	Section 300 of <i>The Liquor Control</i> Act (Informal Report)	June 17, 1985	The Law Reform (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act, S.M. 1992, c. 32
	Fifteenth Annual Report	May 6, 1986	(not applicable)
#67	Sections 33 and 34 of <i>The Wills Act</i>	June 16, 1986	The Statute Law Amendment Act (1987), S.M. 1987-88, c. 66 (s. 25); The Wills Amendment Act, S.M. 1989-90, c. 44
#68	Periodic Payment of Damages	March 31, 1987	The Court of Queen's Bench and Consequent al Amendments Act, S.M. 1993, c. 19

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#69	Administrative Law, Part II: Judicial Review of Administrative Action	March 31, 1987	-	
	Sixteenth Annual Report	April 13, 1987	(not applicable)	
17A	The Wages Recovery Act (Informal Report)	September 9, 1987	The Law Reform (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act, S.M. 1992, c. 32	
	Seventeenth Annual Report	September 14, 1988	(not applicable)	
#70	The Manitoba Law Reform Commission: A Framework for the Future	November 23, 1988	The Law Reform Commission Act, S.M. 1989-90, c. 25	
#71	The Bulk Sales Act	December 21, 1988	The Law Reform (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act, S.M. 1992, c. 32	
	Eighteenth Annual Report	August 8, 1989	(not applicable)	
#72	The Independence of Provincial Judges	June 28, 1989	The Provincial Court Amendment Act, S.M. 1989-90, c. 34; The Provincial Court Amendment Act, S.M. 1994, c. 14	
	Nineteenth Annual Report	May 15, 1990	(not applicable)	
#73	Statutory Designations and The Retirement Plan Beneficiaries Act	October 23, 1990	The Retirement Plan Beneficiaries Act, S.M. 1992, c. 31	
20A	Limitation of Actions Brought by the Crown (Informal Report)	September 27, 1990	-	
20B	Replevin and the Need for Prior Possession (Informal Report)	January 28, 1991	(change not recommended)	
	Twentieth Annual Report	March 31, 1991	(not applicable)	
#74	Self-Determination in Health Care (Living Wills and Health Care Proxies)	June 25, 1991	The Health Care Directives and Consequential Amendments Act, S.M. 1992, c. 33	
#75	The Independence of Justices of the Peace and Magistrates	August 15, 1991	The Provincial Court Amendment Act (Justices of the Peace), S.M. 2005, c. 8	
#76	Sterilization and Legal Incompetence	January 27, 1992	(change not recommended)	
	Twenty-first Annual Report	March 31, 1992	(not applicable)	

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#77	Non-charitable Purpose Trusts	September 21, 1992	-	
#78	Tort Liability for Animals	November 23, 1992	The Animal Liability and Consequential Amendment Act, S.M. 1998, c. 8	
#79	Ethical Investments by Trustees	January 25, 1993	The Trustee Amendment Act, S.M. 1995, c. 14	
22A	Scope of Apportionment under <i>The Tortfeasors and Contributory</i> Negligence Act (Informal Report)	June 22, 1992	-	
22B	Section 23 of <i>The Wills Act</i> Revisited (Informal Report)	December 14, 1992	The Wills Amendment Act, S.M. 1995, c. 12	
	Twenty-second Annual Report	March 31, 1993	(not applicable)	
#80	Privity of Contract	October 5, 1993	-	
#81	Distress for Rent in Commercial Tenancies	January 4, 1994	-	
#82	Pre-contractual Misstatements	March 7, 1994	-	
#83	Enduring and Springing Powers of Attorney	March 29, 1994	The Powers of Attorney and Mental Health Amendment Act, S.M. 1996, c. 62	
	Twenty-third Annual Report	March 31, 1994	(not applicable)	
#84	Regulating Professions and Occupations	October 28, 1994	Partly implemented, in principle, by amendments to various Acts of the Legislature; <i>The Regulated Health Professions Act</i> , S.M. 2009, c. 15	
#85	Arbitration	November 23, 1994	The Arbitration and Consequential Amendments Act, S.M. 1997, c. 4	
#86	Covenants in Commercial Tenancies	March 28, 1995	-	
24A	A Small Discrepancy between <i>The Elections Act</i> and <i>The Local Authorities Election Act</i> (Informal Report)	April 26, 1994	Acts repealed and replaced by <i>The Elections Reform Act</i> , S.M. 2006, c. 15 and <i>The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act</i> , S.M. 2005, c. 27.	
24B	Lapsed Residual Gifts in Wills (Informal Report)	May 16, 1994	(no longer required due to <i>Re Smith and McKay</i> (1994), 116 D.L.R. (4th) 308 (Man. C.A.))	

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24C	Security for the Administration of Estates (Informal Report)	October 6, 1994	-	
	Twenty-fourth Annual Report	March 31, 1995	(not applicable)	
#87	Interim Payment of Damages	June 6, 1995	-	
#88	Reselling Unused Cemetery Plots	September 21, 1995	-	
#89	The Trust Provisions in The Perpetuities and Accumulations Act	September 21, 1995	-	
#90	Residential Exemptions from Judgment Execution	October 17, 1995	-	
#91	Minors' Conse t to Health C re	December 12, 1995	-	
#92	Fundamental Breach and Frustration in Commercial Tenancies	January 23, 1996	-	
#93	Animal Protection	February 13, 1996	The Animal Care Act, S.M. 1996, c. 69	
	Twenty-fifth Annual Report	March 31, 1996	(not applicable)	
#94	Confidentiality of Mediation Proceedings	April 23, 1996	-	
#95	Commercial Tenancies: Miscellaneous Issues	July 29, 1996	-	
#96	Special Constables	November 12, 1996	Implemented, in part, through administrative action of the Department of Justice's Law Enforcement Services	
#97	Section 270 of The Highway Traffic Act	March 24, 1997	-	
#98	Stalking	May 28, 1997	The Domestic Violence and Stalking Prevention, Protection and Compensation and Consequential Amendment Act, S.M. 1998, c. 41	
	Twenty-sixth Annual Report	June 30, 1997	(not applicable)	
#99	Review of the Small Claims Court	March 17, 1998	The Court of Queen's Be h Small Claims Practices Amendment and <i>Parental Responsibility</i> <i>Amendment Act</i> , S.M. 1999, c. 22	

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	Twenty-seventh Annual Report	March 31, 1998	(not applicable)	
#100	Class Proceedings	January 12, 1999	The Class Proceedings Act, S.M. 2001-2002, c. 14	
	Twenty-eighth Annual Report	March 31, 1999	(not applicable)	
#101	Trustee Investments: The Modern Portfolio Theory	June 22, 1999	-	
#102	Informal Assessment of Competence	September 8, 1999	-	
#103	Adult Protection and Elder Abuse	December 15, 1999	-	
	Twenty-ninth Annual Report	March 31, 2000	(not applicable)	
#104	Compensation of Vaccine- Damaged Children	June 28, 2000	-	
#105	Assessment of Damages under <i>The Fatal Accidents Act</i> for the loss of Guidance, Care and Companionship	October 25, 2000	The Fatal Accidents Amendment Act, S.M. 2001-2002, c. 13	
#106	The Legislative Assembly and Conflict of Interest	December 20, 2000	The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Conflict of Interest Amendment (Conflict of Interest Commissioner) Act, S.M. 2001-2002, c. 49	
	Thirtieth Annual Report	March 31, 2001	(not applicable)	
#107	Good Faith and the Individual Contract of Employment	December 11, 2001	-	
	Thirty-first Annual Report	March 31, 2002	(not applicable)	
#108	Wills and Succession Legislation	March 11, 2003	-	
	Thirty-second Annual Report	March 31, 2003	(not applicable)	
#109	Withholding or Withdrawing Life Sustaining Medical Treatment	December 18, 2003	Implemented, in part, through The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba's Statement on Withholding and Withdrawing Life-Sustaining Treatment, effective February 1, 2008	

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	Thirty-third Annual Report	March 31, 2004	(not applicable)
#110	Substitute Consent to Health Care	October 26, 2004	-
	Thirty-fourth Annual Report	March 31, 2005	(not applicable)
#111	Costs Awards in Civil Litigation	September 13, 2005	F
#112	Review of The Garnishment Act	December 31, 2005	
	Thirty-fifth Annual Report	March 31, 2006	(not applicable)
#113	Development Schemes	June 20, 2006	Implemented, in part, in <i>The Real Property Amendment Act</i> , S.M. 2011, c.33
#114	Private Title Insurance	December 29, 2006	
	Thirty-sixth Annual Report	March 31, 2007	(not applicable)
	Thirty-seventh Annual Report	March 31, 2008	(not applicable)
#115	Mandatory Arbitration Clauses and Consumer Class Proceedings	April 1, 2008	-
#116	Franchise Law	May 20, 2008	The Franchises Act, S.M. 2010, c. 13
	Enduring Powers of Attorney: Areas for Reform (Western Canada Law Reform Agencies Report)	July, 2008	
#117	Enduring Powers of Attorney – Supplementary Report	September 2, 2008	-
#118	Posthumously Conceived Children: Intestate Succession and Dependants Relief – <i>The Intestate</i> Succession Act: Sections 1(3), 6(1), 4(5), 4(6) and 5	November 28, 2008	-
#119	Private International Law	January 21, 2009	-
	Twenty-eighth Annual Report	March 31, 2009	(not applicable)

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#120	Waivers of Liability for Sporting and Recreational Injuries	January 30, 2009	-
#121	Improving Administrative Justice in Manitoba: Starting with the Appointments Process	November 30, 2009	-
	Thirty-ninth Annual Report	March 31, 2010	(not applicable)
25	Review of Compensation of Loss of Homesteads Rights (Informal Report)	May 27, 2010	(change not recommended)
#122	The Parol Evidence Rule	May 31, 2010	-
#123	Limitations	July 30, 2010	-
26	Remedy of Specific Performance and the Uniqueness of Land in Manitoba (Informal Report)	October 26, 2010	-
	Fortieth Annual Report	March 31, 2011	(not applicable)
27	The Animal Care Act (Informal Report)	April 28, 2011	-
28	Limitations of Actions Against Insurers (Informal Report)	September 1, 2011	-
29	The Remedy of Specific Performance and the Uniqueness of Land in Manitoba – Revision to Informal Report No. 26 (Informal Report)	September 1, 2011	
#124	The Stable Keepers Act	August 5, 2011	-
#125	Limitations of Actions in Conversion and Detinue	November 30, 2011	-
1	Access to Justice (Issue Paper)	March 8, 2012	-
	Forty-first Annual Report	March 31, 2012	(not applicable)

<sup>\*</sup>Includes Reports, Informal Reports, Issue Papers and Annual Reports.