

**ASSEMBLY OF  
MANITOBA CHIEFS**



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**Bill 63 - The Petty Trespasses Amendment and Occupiers Liability Amendment Act**

Sponsored by the Honourable Mr. Friesen, Minister of Justice and Attorney General

First Reading: November 2, 2020

Second Reading on March 25, 2021

Justice Committee: April 14, 2021

Royal Assent: May 20, 2021

**About the bill**

- Bill 63 removes the landowners' duty to warn trespassers before they can be charged with trespassing.
- It allows people to be charged with trespassing if the property is marked or properly enclosed to keep people off or animals on the property.

**How the bill affects First Nations**

- This bill may affect First Nations citizens as they exercise their constitutionally protected Aboriginal and Treaty rights to hunt, fish, and harvest on their traditional territories.

**AMC's position on the bill**

- The AMC ECC opposed this bill as part of the current suite of legislation because of the lack of consultation and the effects on First Nations and their rights.

**AMC activities on the bill**

- In a press release on March 15, 2021, Grand Chief Dumas stated that the AMC will not allow provincial laws, such as Bill 63, to violate treaty rights as treaty rights supersede provincial laws.
- The AMC Secretariat has registered the AMC to appear at Committee, and will develop submissions for the presentation.

