

# **Bill 230**

# An Act to proclaim Front-line and Essential Service Worker Week

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# **Private Member's Bill**

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2nd Reading December 2, 2020

3rd Reading

Royal Assent

(Reprinted as amended by the Standing Committee on General Government and as reported to the Legislative Assembly May 10, 2021)

(The provisions in this Bill will be renumbered after 3rd Reading)





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#### **Preamble**

On March 17, 2020, an emergency was declared in Ontario under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* because of COVID-19. The declared emergency ended on July 24, 2020. Ontario's frontline and essential service workers played a vital role in maintaining the flow and delivery of goods and services across the province throughout the state of emergency and continue to be crucial for Ontario's economic recovery.

On March 17, 2020, an emergency was declared in Ontario under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Second and third emergencies were declared on January 12, 2021 and April 7, 2021.

Ontario's front-line and essential service workers played a vital role in maintaining the flow and delivery of goods and services throughout each state of emergency and they continue to be a crucial part of the province's economic recovery.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

### Front-line and Essential Service Worker Week

1 The third full week of March in each year is proclaimed as Front-line and Essential Service Worker Week.

#### Commencement

2 This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

#### **Short title**

3 The short title of this Act is the Front-line and Essential Service Worker Week Act, 2021.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Bill proclaims the third full week of March in each year as Front-line and Essential Service Worker Week.