



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

March 9, 2023

To Mille Lacs Band Members and Employees:

Please accept this letter as notice that the Band Assembly is seeking public comments on proposed legislation, available on the Band's Tribal Register, repealing Section 5 (Transfer of Jurisdiction) of Chapter 1 (General Provisions) and amending two sections in Chapter 13 (Child Protection) of Title 8 (Children and Families). The proposed legislation would repeal a provision that is inconsistent with other existing law, add definitions of certain terms used in Chapter 13, and amend procedures for transfer of jurisdiction over child welfare and child custody proceedings from state courts to the Band's Court of Central Jurisdiction.


The public comment period has been set at twenty-two (22) calendar days. **Therefore, please submit any written comments to legislation@millelacsband.com no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, March 31, 2023. Please use "Title 8 Bill" as the subject title.** Band members and employees may also submit written comments in person to the District I legislative office.

The Band Assembly requests that any Band employee submitting public comments state whether said comments are provided in his or her personal capacity or on behalf of a specific branch, department, office, board, or entity.

Sincerely,


Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly


Virgil Wind, District I Representative


Wendy Merrill, District II Representative


Harry Davis, District III Representative