

Bill C-53: Métis Self-Government Legislation Fact Sheet

ISSUE: Timeline of All Indigenous Self-Government Legislation (2009-2023)

BACKGROUND:

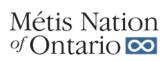
- For more than 15 years, all Indigenous self-government legislation has followed a similar path through Parliament, with all-party cooperation ensuring an expedited process through the House of Commons and the Senate.
- A summary of the process for each self-government legislation passed by Canada from 2009 to 2023 is below:

Year	Legislation	Total Sitting Days (House & Senate)
2009	Maa-nulth First Nations Final Agreement (Bill C-41)	4 days
	 June 15 – 16, 2009: Bill introduced and adopted at all stages in the House of Commons by way of a unanimous consent motion; Bill introduced in the Senate June 17, 2009: The Senate held <u>one</u> committee meeting, hearing only from the Minister and representatives of Maanulth First Nations; Bill was adopted 	
2011	The <u>Eeyou Marine Region</u> legislation (Bill C-22)	6 days
	 November 4, 2011: Bill introduced and adopted at all stages by way of a unanimous consent motion November 15 – 23, 2011: Bill introduced in the Senate; the Senate held <u>one</u> committee meeting, hearing only from 	
	department officials and repesentatives of the Grand Council of the Crees; Bill was adopted	
2013	The Yale First Nation Final Agreement (Bill C-62),	9 days
	 May 31 – June 6, 2013: Bill introduced in the House of Commons, debated at 2nd reading (3 speeches total); the House held one committee meeting, hearing only from the Minister, officials and representatives of the Yale First Nation; All remaining stages were adopted by way of a unanimous consent motion 	





	 June 11 – 17, 2013: Bill introduced in the Senate; the Senate held <u>one</u> committee meeting, hearing only from the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister, officials, and representatives from Yale First Nation and Stó:lo Nation; Bill was adopted 	
2013- 2014	 The Sioux Valley Dakota Nation legislation (Bill C-16) December 5, 2013: Bill introduced in the House of Commons and adopted the same day by way of a unanimous consent motion; Bill introduced in the Senate February 12 – March 4, 2014: the Senate held one committee meeting, hearing only from department officials and representatives of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation; Bill was adopted 	15 days
2014	 The Tla'amin Final Agreement legislation (Bill C-34) April 28 – 29, 2014: Bill introduced in the House of Commons and adopted at all stages by way of a unanimous consent motion; Bill introduced in the Senate June 3 – 11, 2014: Bill adopted 2nd reading; the Senate held one committee meeting, hearing only from Department officials and representatives of the Tla'amin (formerly known as the Sliammon First Nation); Bill was adopted 	17 days
2015	 The <u>Déline Self-Government Agreement</u> (Bill C-63) June 3 – 11, 2015: Bill introduced in the House of Commons and adopted at all stages by way of a unanimous consent motion; Bill introduced in the Senate the same day; The Senate held <u>one</u> committee meeting, hearing only from department officials, the NWT Government, and representatives of Déline First Nation; Bill was adopted 	5 days
2017	 The Anishinabek Nation Education legislation (Bill C-61) October 5 – December 6, 2017: Bill introduced in the House of Commons, followed by a unanimous consent motion, allowing for an expedited process through the House December 7 – 13, 2017: Bill introduced in the Senate; The Senate held one committee meeting, hearing only from department officials and representatives of Anishinabek Nation; Bill was adopted 	33 days





2018	 The <u>Cree Nation Government Agreement</u> legislation (Bill C-70) February 14 – 15, 2018: Bill introduced in the House of Commons and adopted at all stages by way of a unanimous consent motion February 26 – March 27, 2018: Bill introduced in the Senate; The Senate held <u>one</u> committee meeting, hearing only from department officials and representatives of Grand Council of the Cree; Bill was adopted 	10 days
2022	 The Anishinabek Nation Governance Agreement/Sechelt Self-Government/Yukon Self-Government legislation (Bill S-10) June 9 – 16, 2022: Bill introduced in the Senate and adopted at 2nd reading. The Senate held <u>one</u> committee meeting, hearing only from department officials and representatives of the Anishinabek Nation and Shíshálh Nation (also known as the Sechelt First Nation) June 17 – 22, 2022: Bill introduced in the House of Commons and adopted at all stages by way of a unanimous consent motion 	8 days
2023	 The Whitecap Dakota Nation Agreement legislation (Bill C-51) June 16, 2023: Bill introduced, alongside a unanimous consent motion providing for an expedited process through the House of Commons; The House of Commons held one committee meeting, hearing only from the Minister, officials, and representatives of Whitecap Dakota First Nation June 20 – 22, 2023: Bill introduced in the Senate; The Senate held one committee meeting, hearing only from the Minister, officials and representatives of Whitecap Dakota First Nation; Bill was adopted 	5 days