Human Resources Legislative Update

Parliament to be Prorogued

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The Prime Minister has announced that he will ask the Governor General to prorogue Parliament until October 2013. Parliament was previously set to resume sitting on September 16, 2013.

<u>With prorogation</u>, the unfinished business of Parliament will "die" on the Order Paper, including government bills which have not yet received Royal Assent. These bills can be reintroduced as new bills or reinstated in the new session of Parliament if the House of Commons so decides.

<u>Items relating to Private Members' business</u> are automatically reinstated. This would include <u>Bill C-279</u>, <u>An Act to amend the Canadian Human Rights Act and the Criminal Code (gender identity and gender expression)</u> and <u>Bill C-377</u>, <u>An Act to amend the Income Tax Act (requirements for labour organizations.</u>

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