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Bill 88 – Asbestos Use Prohibition Act Debated this Afternoon

QUEEN'S PARK – The second reading debate of Bill 88, Asbestos Use Prohibition Act, will take place on Thursday afternoon at the Ontario Legislative Assembly. The bill, which was introduced by Sarnia-Lambton MPP Bob Bailey, would ban the use, reuse, import, transport or sale of asbestos in Ontario. Bill 88 also requires the province to create a public registry of all provincially owned or leased buildings containing asbestos.

Debate on the Asbestos Use Prohibition Act will begin at approximately 2:50pm. The debate can be viewed on the Ontario Legislative Assembly Channel (Cogeco CH. 97 in Sarnia-Lambton) or online through the Queen's Park webcast page, www.ontla.on.ca.

In December, the Government of Canada announced the goal of a federal ban and registry to be in place by sometime in 2018. Bill 88 would shorten the timeline for instituting a ban in Ontario, and would create a registry of public buildings, such as schools and hospitals, that would not be included in the federal registry.

“There is no reason to continue to use asbestos containing products or to delay implementing a ban in Ontario,” said MPP Bailey at Queen's Park on Thursday morning. “My hope is that Premier Wynne and her government will take immediate action to adopt my bill into provincial law. I look forward to the important debate this afternoon,” added MPP Bailey.

MPP Bailey has launched an online petition in support of Bill 88 at his website www.bobbaileympp.com.

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Links:

Bill 88 - http://www.ontla.on.ca/web/bills/bills_detail.do?locale=en&Intranet=&BillID=4478

Asbestos Ban Petition: <http://bobbaileympp.com/2016/12/08/3033/>

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