



# **BILL NO. 138**

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## **An Act to Establish an Award to Recognize Bravery of Nova Scotians**

CHAPTER 12  
ACTS OF 2007

**AS ASSENTED TO BY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
APRIL 13, 2007**

The Honourable Rodney J. MacDonald  
*President of the Executive Council*

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Be it enacted by the Governor and Assembly as follows:

**1** This Act may be cited as the *Medal of Bravery Act*.

**2 (1)** Where, after the coming into force of this Act, a person has

- (a) assisted another person or attempted to assist another person; or
- (b) protected property of another person or attempted to protect property of another person,

and has done so at risk to their own life or safety or in other circumstances demonstrating bravery, including bravery beyond that expected of them in their course of employment or service to the public, the Governor in Council may, on the recommendation of the Provincial Secretary, issue a Nova Scotia Medal of Bravery to that person.

**(2)** A Nova Scotia Medal of Bravery may be issued posthumously.

**3 (1)** The Premier shall establish an advisory committee to assist the Provincial Secretary in making recommendations to the Governor in Council respecting persons who may deserve to receive a Nova Scotia Medal of Bravery.

**(2)** The advisory committee referred to in subsection (1) is composed of such persons as the Premier may determine, and the Premier may designate a member of the committee to be its chair.

**(3)** The advisory committee referred to in subsection (1) must include but, for greater certainty, is not limited to

- (a) the Chief Executive Officer of the Emergency Management Office;
- (b) the Deputy Minister of Justice;
- (c) the Fire Marshal of the Province;
- (d) the President of the Nova Scotia Chiefs of Police Association; and
- (e) the Commander of Maritime Forces Atlantic,

or their designates.

**4** Where the Governor in Council has issued a Nova Scotia Medal of Bravery to a person, that person

- (a) may use the initials M.B.N.S. after his or her name; and
- (b) where employed in an occupation in which the person wears a uniform in relation to the person's employment, or otherwise entitled to wear a uniform, may wear upon

that uniform such designation as may be prescribed by the Governor in Council to accompany the Medal or to designate a person as a recipient of the Medal.

**5 (1)** The Governor in Council may make regulations

(a) prescribing the form of the Nova Scotia Medal of Bravery and any designation for the purpose of clause 4(b);

(b) respecting matters to be considered by the advisory committee referred to in subsection 3(1) and the Provincial Secretary in making recommendations to the Governor in Council for the purpose of Section 3;

(c) respecting the forms of remuneration or the provision of out-of-pocket expenses that may be paid to the members of the advisory committee;

(d) respecting any other matter or thing the Governor in Council considers advisable or necessary to carry out effectively the intent and purpose of this Act.

**(2)** The exercise of the authority contained in subsection (1) is regulations within the meaning of the *Regulations Act*.

**6** This Act has effect on and after January 1, 2007, upon the Governor in Council so ordering and declaring by proclamation.

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