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An Act to Amend Chapter 19 of the Acts of 2006, the Property Valuation Services Corporation Act

CHAPTER 18 ACTS OF 2018

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Be it enacted by the Governor and Assembly as follows:

1 Section 14 of Chapter 19 of the Acts of 2006, the *Property Valuation Services Corporation Act*, is repealed.

2 Section 15 of Chapter 19 is repealed and the following Section substituted:

- 15 (1) The Board is composed of at least nine and no more than 11 members of whom
 - (a) at least four and no more than five are independent members;
 - (b) three are elected municipal councillors; and
 - (c) at least two and no more than three have municipal experience, as defined in the by-laws.
- (2) The Executive Director of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities is a non-voting member of the Board.
- (3) There shall be a recruitment and appointment committee composed of representatives from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, the Association of Municipal Administrators and the Corporation in accordance with the by-laws.
- (4) The Board members referred to in subsection (1) shall be appointed by the recruitment and appointment committee and the criteria for the appointment of the members must be prescribed in the by-laws.

3 Subsections 16(1) and (2) of Chapter 19 are repealed and the following subsections substituted:

- 16 (1) Subject to subsection (3), a Board member referred to in subsection 15(1) holds office for a term determined by the recruitment and appointment committee in accordance with the by-laws.
- (2) A Board member holds office until such time as the member's successor is appointed.

4 Section 16 of Chapter 19 is further amended by adding immediately after subsection (4) the following subsection:

(4A) For greater certainty, when a Board member appointed pursuant to clause 15(1)(b), ceases to be an elected municipal councillor, that member may continue to hold office for six months or until the member's replacement has been appointed for the unexpired portion of the term, whichever is earlier.

5 Section 18 of Chapter 19 is amended by adding immediately after subsection (1) the following subsection:

- (1A) The Corporation, in consultation with the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities and the Association of Municipal Administrators of Nova Scotia may make by-laws respecting
 - (a) the composition of the recruitment and appointment committee;
 - (b) the criteria for the appointment of Board members including the definition of municipal experience;
 - (c) the setting of the terms of office of Board members.

6 Section 19 of Chapter 19 is amended by adding immediately after subsection (5) the following subsections:

- (6) The Corporation, the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities and the Association of Municipal Administrators of Nova Scotia shall enter into a memorandum of understanding respecting a communication and consultation framework.
- (7) The memorandum of understanding referred to in subsection (6) must include the duties and responsibilities of the parties for the delivery of quality assessment services by the Corporation to the municipalities and may be amended from time to time, as agreed by the parties.
- Notwithstanding Section 15 of the *Property Valuation Services Corporation Act*, the persons referred to in clauses 15(1)(b) to (d) and subsection 15(2) of that Act as it read immediately before the coming into force of this Act continue to serve on the Board of the Corporation until their terms of office expire or until their successors are appointed pursuant to subsection 15(1) of that Act as amended by this Act.