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An Act to Amend Chapter 25 of the Acts of 1996, the Fisheries and Coastal Resources Act

CHAPTER 31
ACTS OF 2021

**AS ASSENTED TO BY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
NOVEMBER 5, 2021**

The Honourable Steve Craig
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Be it enacted by the Governor and Assembly as follows:

1 (1) Subsection 48(1) of Chapter 25 of the Acts of 1996, the *Fisheries and Coastal Resources Act*, as enacted by Chapter 19 of the Acts of 2015, is amended by striking out “three members appointed by the Minister” in the last line and substituting “not more than ten members appointed by the Minister for such terms as the Minister may determine”.

(2) Subsection 48(2) of Chapter 25, as enacted by Chapter 19 of the Acts of 2015, is amended by adding “and another member to be its Vice-chair” immediately after “Chair” in the last line.

(3) Subsection 48(4) of Chapter 25 is repealed and the following subsections substituted:

(4) The Chair of the Review Board shall assign three or more of its members to constitute a panel to hear an application before the Review Board.

(4A) The Chair of the Review Board shall determine a quorum of the Review Board or of a hearing panel.

2 Chapter 25 is further amended by adding immediately after Section 49 the following Section:

49A Where a panel is constituted to hear an application before the Review Board, a decision of a majority of the panel is the decision of the Review Board but, where there is no majority, a decision of the chair of the panel is the decision of the Review Board.
