

**Bill #89
Boat Harbour Act**

CHANGES RECOMMENDED TO THE LAW AMENDMENTS COMMITTEE

PAGE 1, Clause 2 -

- (a) **paragraph (c), last line** - delete the period and substitute a semicolon;
- (b) **add:**
 - (d) "Minister" means the Minister of Internal Services;
 - (e) "post-2020 Plan" means a plan for Boat Harbour for after the cessation of the use of the Facility for the reception and treatment of effluent from the Mill.

PAGE 1 - add immediately after Clause 4 the following Clauses:

5 (1) The Minister shall prepare or cause to be prepared by August 31, 2016, a plan for Boat Harbour that recognizes the public interest in the economic and environmental outcomes resulting from the cessation on or before January 31, 2020, of the use of the Facility for the reception and treatment of effluent from the Mill.

(2) The post-2020 Plan must include environmental assessment requirements, economic impacts and a construction timeline.

(3) The post-2020 Plan must be made public.

6 (1) The Minister shall appoint a review panel of independent experts to conduct a thorough assessment for the purpose of the post-2020 Plan.

(2) The members of the panel are to be selected on the basis of their knowledge, experience and expertise, and must be free from bias or conflict of interest relative to the post-2020 Plan.

(3) The panel shall hold public hearings to allow interested parties, including, but not limited to, aboriginal groups, forest producer associations, industry representatives, and environmental groups and communities of interest, to present evidence, concerns and comments regarding the potential environmental and economic impacts of any projects that may be included in the post-2020 Plan.

(4) The panel shall prepare a report for the Minister that includes its rationale, conclusions and recommendations.

(5) The report must contain any proposed mitigation measures and suggestions for follow-up.

(6) The report must be made public one month prior to the public release of the post-2020 Plan.