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Hon. Iain Rankin
CWHB Bill 407

Bill #407
Antigonish Consolidation Act

CHANGES RECOMMENDED TO THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON BILLS

PAGE 1, Clause 2, definition of “Dissolution Date” - delete “November 1, 2024” and substitute “the date that is eight months after the date plebiscites are conducted pursuant to Section 5”.

PAGE 2 - add the following Clause after Clause 4:

5 (1) The Town and the County shall each conduct a plebiscite, on the same date, asking their respective residents to vote on whether they wish to proceed with the dissolution of the Town and continuation of the County as the Consolidated Municipality pursuant to this Act.

(2) A plebiscite conducted pursuant to subsection (1) must take place after an independent analysis is undertaken by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board as to whether the dissolution of the Town and continuation of the County as the Consolidated Municipality are in the best financial interests of residents.

(3) Where a plebiscite conducted pursuant to subsection (1) does not result in a majority vote in the affirmative,

(a) the Town will not be dissolved and the residents of the Town will not become residents of the Consolidated Municipality; and

(b) this Act has no further force or effect.

RENUMBER AND ADJUST CROSS-REFERENCES ACCORDINGLY.