

Revised Statutes 2023

Report of the Consolidation and Revision Officer to the Law Amendments Committee

January 30, 2024

The Chief Legislative Counsel, as the Consolidation and Revision Officer, has the authority to revise the statutes. Specifically, the *Statute Revision Act* provides as follows:

- 3 (1) The Consolidation and Revision Officer, under the direction of the Chairman of the Law Amendments Committee of the Assembly, shall from time to time consolidate and revise the statutes enacted by the Legislature and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing and to the extent necessary or advisable to consolidate and revise the statutes, may
 - (a) alter the numbering and arrangement of the statutes and of the sections thereof:
 - (b) combine two or more statutes or parts thereof or subdivide any statute into two or more statutes;
 - (c) add, change or omit any title of any statute;
 - (d) change the language to preserve a uniform mode of expression;
 - (e) make minor amendments to bring out more clearly what is considered to be the intention of the Legislature or to reconcile seemingly inconsistent enactments or to correct clerical, typographical or printing errors;
 - (f) omit any forms or schedules contained in any statute and add authority to the statute for the forms or schedules to be prescribed by regulation.
- (2) The Consolidation and Revision Officer may omit from the consolidation and revision any statutes or parts of statutes that are repealed, spent or inoperative or, although printed among the public general statutes, have reference only to a particular person, place or municipality without general application throughout the Province.

In accordance with this authority, 573 consolidated public statutes have been updated and submitted to the Law Amendments Committee for its examination. Most significantly, provisions have been renumbered or relettered consecutively and internal cross-references and cross-references to other statutes have been changed accordingly; names of government departments and other organizations have been updated; and language has been modernized and made uniform if practical. The Revised Statutes 2023 are gender neutral to the extent of my authority. As provided by the Statute Revision Act, there is no change in the law.

Gordon D. Hebb KC Chief Legislative Counsel and Consolidation and Revision Officer

CARRIED

Law Amendments Committee

MOTION

MOVED that the report of the Consolidation and Revision Officer respecting the Revised Statutes 2023 as presented to the Law Amendments Committee be approved by the Committee.