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Subject: For review - A message from Minister Mauro - Message du ministre Mauro

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Dear Head of Council,

I am pleased to announce that proclamation dates for sections of Bill 68 – the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017 (MOMLA) were confirmed.

As you know, the changes made through MOMLA will come into force in phases. While some sections of MOMLA came into force on Royal Assent, many of the sections will come into force on dates to be proclaimed. A phased approach to proclamation has been finalised, which would bring certain amendments into force on January 1, 2018 and March 1, 2019, respectively.

I have received a number of comments regarding the in-force timing for MOMLA provisions. The approved proclamation dates respond to these comments and recognize areas where municipalities have expressed a need for more time to prepare.

The changes made through MOMLA coming into force on January 1, 2018, include provisions respecting small business programs, open meetings, and other provisions.

The second proclamation date is March 1, 2019, and will bring into force changes to the municipal accountability and transparency framework that include provisions respecting codes of conduct, integrity commissioners, conflict of interest, mandatory policies and other provisions.

There are a number of changes provided under MOMLA that have not yet been proclaimed. These include provisions respecting prudent investment and certain tax sale provisions. Decisions on the proclamation dates for these provisions will be communicated at a later date.

For more information about the proclamation of certain MOMLA provisions, please refer to the legislation on E-laws (www.ontario.ca/laws) or the online Orders in Council Database (www.ontario.ca/search/orders-in-council). If you have any questions about the in-force dates of MOMLA provisions you may also contact your regional Municipal Services Office. To find your Municipal Services Office, visit our website at www.ontario.ca/mma.

Thank you for your help ensuring that our communities remain vibrant, strong, and have the tools they need to address their changing needs. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Bill Mauro
Minister