The Statutes and Regulations Revision Act

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CHAPTER S-59.01

An Act respecting Revisions of Statutes and Regulations

Short title
1 This Act may be cited as The Statutes and Regulations Revision Act.

Interpretation
  2 In this Act:

(a) “minister” means the member of the Executive Council to whom for the time being the administration of this Act is assigned;

(b) “public enactment” means all or any portion of:
   (i) a public Act; or
   (ii) a regulation as defined in The Regulations Act, 1995;

(c) “revision committee” means the revision committee established pursuant to section 3.

  2008, c.S-59.01, s.2.

Revision committee established
  3(1) The revision committee is established.

    (2) The revision committee consists of:

       (a) the Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General and any other officials from the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General or other persons that the Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General considers necessary; and

       (b) the Registrar of Regulations.

    (3) The Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General is the chairperson of the revision committee.

  2008, c.S-59.01, s.3.

Preparation of revisions
  4(1) Under the general supervision of the minister, the revision committee may prepare a revision of all or any public enactments.

    (2) Every revision is to be undertaken in accordance with this Act.

  2008, c.S-59.01, s.4.
Revision powers

5(1) In preparing a revision, the revision committee may do all or any of the following:

(a) consolidate in the revision all amendments made to a public enactment since the date of its enactment or last revision, as the case may be;

(b) combine or divide public enactments and, if a public enactment is divided, incorporate common provisions necessary to the resulting revised public enactments;

(c) change the numbering and the arrangement of public enactments;

(d) add, change or omit any title of or heading within a public enactment;

(e) revise and alter language to achieve a gender-neutral style;

(f) revise and alter language:

   (i) to give a better expression to the meaning of the law; or

   (ii) in the case of a public enactment that has been enacted in English and French, to make the form of expression in one of the languages more compatible with the expression in the other language;

(g) make any alterations in language, spelling and punctuation that are desirable to obtain a uniform mode of expression;

(h) change any outdated reference to an organization, person or other entity or to a statute, regulation or other document to make the reference current and accurate;

(i) make minor amendments:

   (i) to clarify the intent of the Legislature;

   (ii) to reconcile inconsistent provisions; or

   (iii) to correct clerical, grammatical or typographical errors;

(j) omit public enactments that are obsolete, are spent or have no legal effect;

(k) omit any public enactments that do not apply throughout Saskatchewan;

(l) omit, without repealing, any portion of a public enactment that:

   (i) provides for the retroactive effect of that public enactment; or

   (ii) is of a limited duration or transitional in nature;

(m) include in the revision as a supplement those public enactments that, although enacted, have not yet come into force and indicate how they are to come into force;

(n) make minor consequential changes to other public enactments not being revised that are required to reconcile them with a revised public enactment;
(o) identify in schedules to the revision those public enactments that have
been added, omitted, moved or combined by the revision;

(p) with respect to the public enactments being replaced by revised public
enactments, identify in a schedule to the revision the public enactments to be
repealed.

(2) No change may be made pursuant to subsection (1) that has the effect of
changing the intent of any public enactment.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.5.

Deposit of revision

6(1) On the completion of a revision of public Acts, the Lieutenant Governor in
Council may direct that a copy of the revision, together with any schedules or
appendices relating to that revision, be deposited with the Clerk of the Legislative
Assembly as the official copy of the revision.

(2) On the completion of a revision of regulations, the Lieutenant Governor in
Council may direct that a copy of the revision, together with any schedules or
appendices relating to that revision, be deposited with the Registrar of Regulations
as the official copy of the revision.

(3) The Registrar of Regulations shall provide a copy of every official copy of a
revision of regulations that is deposited pursuant to subsection (2) to the Clerk of
the Legislative Assembly.

(4) The official copy of a revision must be signed by the Lieutenant Governor and
countersigned by the minister.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.6.

Coming into force of a revision

7(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may specify by proclamation the date on
which a revision deposited pursuant to section 6 comes into force.

(2) On and after the date proclaimed pursuant to subsection (1), the revision is in
force and has effect for all purposes as if the revision were expressly embodied in
and enacted by an Act.

(3) A provision in a supplement to a revision comes into force as provided in the
supplement.

(4) If a public Act is to come into force on proclamation and is included in a revision
that is to come into force on proclamation:

(a) if that public Act was not proclaimed in force before the date on which the
revision comes into force, the proclamation pursuant to subsection (1) does not,
unless it states otherwise, operate to bring the corresponding revised public
Act into force; and
(b) if that public Act was proclaimed in force before the date on which the
revision comes into force, the proclamation pursuant to subsection (1) does
operate to bring the corresponding revised public Act into force.

5(5) From the time a revision comes into force:

(a) the official copy of revised public Acts deposited with the Clerk of the
Legislative Assembly pursuant to subsection 6(1) is considered to be the original
of the public Acts of Saskatchewan so revised; and

(b) the official copy of revised regulations deposited with the Registrar of
Regulations pursuant to subsection 6(2) is considered to be the original of the
regulations of Saskatchewan so revised.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.7.

Publication of revision

8(1) Subject to the regulations and in accordance with any directions of the revision
committee, the Queen’s Printer shall ensure that every revision, including any
schedules and appendices, deposited pursuant to section 6 is published in a printed
version and in an electronic version.

(2) The printed version and the electronic version of a revised public enactment
are the official versions of the revised public enactment.

(3) A general revision of public Acts may be published with the title “Revised
Statutes of Saskatchewan” and may include in the title the year of its publication.

(4) If a revision of public Acts is not a general revision but a revision of one or more
public Acts, each of the revised public Acts may be published in the annual volume
of Acts for the year in which the revised public Act is deposited with the Clerk of
the Legislative Assembly pursuant to section 6.

(5) A general revision of regulations may be published with the title “Revised
Regulations of Saskatchewan” and may include in the title the year of its publication.

(6) If a revision of regulations is not a general revision but a revision of one or more
regulations, each of the revised regulations must be published in the Gazette within 30
days after the date the revised regulations were deposited with the Registrar of
Regulations.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.8; 2016, c28, s.22.
Repeal of previous versions of public enactments

9 On the coming into force of a revision:

(a) if the revision has schedules that list the existing public enactments that are consolidated in the revision, those public enactments are repealed to the extent shown in the schedules; or

(b) if the revision does not have schedules that list the existing public enactments that are consolidated in the revision, those public enactments are repealed to the extent specified in the revision.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.9.

Legal effect of revision

10 (1) A revision does not operate as new law but has effect and must be interpreted as a consolidation of the law contained in the public enactments replaced by the revision.

(2) A revised provision that has the same effect as a provision replaced by the revision:

(a) operates retrospectively as well as prospectively; and

(b) is deemed to have been enacted and to have come into force on the day on which the provision replaced by the revision came into force.

(3) If a revised provision is found not to have the same effect as a provision replaced by the revision:

(a) the provision replaced by the revision governs all transactions, matters and things before the revision comes into force; and

(b) the revised provision governs all transactions, matters and things after the revision comes into force.

(4) The Regulations Act, 1995 does not apply to a revised regulation.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.10.

Interpretation of references

11 After a revision comes into force, a reference in a public enactment that is omitted from but not repealed by the revision, or in any instrument or document, to a public enactment that is repealed by the revision is, with respect to any subsequent transaction, matter or thing, deemed to be a reference to the corresponding revised public enactment in the revision.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.11.
Regulations

12 The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations:

(a) respecting the citation of public enactments revised pursuant to this Act;

(b) respecting the publication of printed and electronic versions of revised public enactments.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.12.

Coming into force

13 This Act comes into force on proclamation.

2008, c.S-59.01, s.13.