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MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

Important Notice to All Elected Officials and Chief Administrative Officers

PROCLAMATION OF PART 2 OF THE MUNICIPAL STATUTES AMENDMENT ACT

The Manitoba government has proclaimed Part 2 of The Municipal Statutes Amendment Act (the Act) to come into force on January 1, 2022.

Part 2 of the Act amends The Municipal Assessment Act to exempt regional public libraries from municipal taxation. Public libraries have been encouraged to develop regional partnerships, and most municipal public libraries are now a part of a regional library. Many municipalities with a regional library in their jurisdiction currently do not levy taxes on the library. However, the operating structures of regional libraries means that some library properties have been subject to municipal taxation. Proclaiming Part 2 of the Act modernizes the legislation to reflect current library operating structures and aligns the legal treatment of all public libraries in Manitoba.

A frequently asked questions document regarding The Municipal Statutes Amendment Act was issued via Bulletin #2021-37 on July 6, 2021.

To view a copy of the Act, visit: https://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/2021/c02621e.php#P2.

To view a copy of the proclamation, visit: https://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/proclamations/2021c26(2022-01-01).pdf.

If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact a Municipal Services Officer, email mrmaas@gov.mb.ca, or phone 204-945-2572.

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