

### New Provincial Legislation of Interest Summary Table

The following table provides a high-level scan of some of the legislation that was approved during the 2nd Session of the 30th Alberta Legislature (February - July 2020) that may be of heightened municipal interest.

Bill	Some Highlights of Municipal Interest
<p><b>Bill 2 - Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on June 17, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Relaxes a number of regulations related to the consumption of alcohol in public spaces</li> <li>● Provides municipalities with the discretion to allow alcohol consumption in public parkland without the requirement for food</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 3 - Mobile Home Sites Tenancies Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on May 12, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Allows tenants and landlords of mobile home sites access to the Residential Tenancy Dispute Resolution Service</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 4 - Fiscal Planning and Transparency (Fixed Budget Period) Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on June 26, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Requires that a provincial budget must be released each year in the month of February</li> <li>● Provides municipalities with greater certainty as to when the Provincial budget will be finalized that may include any changes to municipal funding streams</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 8 - Protecting Survivors of Human Trafficking Act</b> Came into force on May 12, 2020, except Part 2, which comes into force on July 1, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Introduces new measures to help address human trafficking, sexual exploitation and forced labour</li> <li>● Legislation allows peace officers to arrest a person if they commit an offence under the Act, but municipal peace officers do not currently possess this power as it is not listed on their appointment documents.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 9 - Emergency Management Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on March 20, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Enables local and provincial states of emergencies to exist concurrently during emergencies</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 10 - Public Health (Emergency Powers) Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on April 2, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Implemented increased fines for violation of public health orders</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 11 - Tenancies Statutes (Emergency Provisions) Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on various dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Prevents landlords from increasing rent or charging late fees so long as the state of public health emergency was in effect</li> </ul>

<p><b>Bill 13 - Emergency Management Amendment Act, 2020 (No. 2)</b> Came into force on May 12, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allows municipal states of local emergency to last for 90 days and creates new offences for failing to comply with a state of local emergency order</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 19 - Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on June 26, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extends rules around the advertising, promotion, sale, and use of vaping products</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 21 - Provincial Administrative Penalties Act</b> Came into force on July 23, 2020, with exceptions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creates an administrative penalty process for regulatory offences, such as traffic violations</li> <li>• Later phases of implementation may affect prosecutions of bylaw offences</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 22 - Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2020</b> Came into force on various dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Omnibus bill amending different legislation to cut regulations by one-third and reduce red tape</li> <li>• Includes a new process for establishing a Regional Services Commission</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 23 - Commercial Tenancies Protection Act</b> Came into force on July 23, 2020, with certain sections taking effect March 17, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Similar to Bill 11, it prevents landlords from terminating leases for reasons of non-payment during COVID-19 and prevents late fees and rent increases between March 17 and August 31, 2020</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 24 - COVID-19 Pandemic Response Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on June 26, 2020, with some sections taking effect earlier</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Omnibus bill allowing the government to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic without staying in a state of public health emergency</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 26 - Constitutional Referendum Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on July 23, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amends legislation to allow referendums to be held on more than constitutional issues</li> <li>• These referendums can be held in conjunction with a provincial or municipal election or separately</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 29 - Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 2020</b> Came into force on September 1, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes the <i>Local Authorities Election Act</i> and how future municipal elections are conducted</li> <li>• Amendments include increasing contribution limits for election donations, reducing the amount of money that can be carried forward from campaign surpluses, and changing contribution rules for third-party advertisers as well as what activities are regulated</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill 32 - Restoring Balance in Alberta's Workplaces Act, 2020</b> Came into force on various dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Omnibus bill that introduces a number of changes to the Employment Standards Code, the Labour Relations Code and other labour-related legislation</li> <li>• Includes changes that touch upon unionized and non-unionized environments in the public sector</li> </ul>