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RE: The Proposed Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act

We are pleased to announce that the government introduced the proposed Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 in the legislature. These proposed changes follow extensive public consultations.

Ontario is taking this action in order to overhaul the provincial land use planning appeal system to give communities a stronger voice and ensure people have access to faster, fairer and more affordable hearings.

For more information and background on the bill you may visit:

www.ontario.ca/OMBReview

For a copy of the proposed Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, and to monitor the status of the bill through the legislative process, please visit the Legislative Assembly of Ontario website: www.ontla.on.ca

Comments on the proposed bill can be made through the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry at www.ebr.gov.on.ca (EBR Posting Number: [013-0590](http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca)) or by email to OMBReview@ontario.ca. In addition, the bill proposes amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act which the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is leading – please visit EBR Posting Number: [013-0561](http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca).

We look forward to working with you as we move forward on this initiative.

Sincerely,

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Bill Mauro
Minister of Municipal Affairs

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