



Information Bulletin from the Returning Officer Changes to the *Local Authorities Election Act*

On December 11, 2018 *Bill 23 - An Act to Renew Local Government in Alberta* came into effect, making changes to how municipal elections are conducted within Alberta.

Alberta Municipal Affairs has produced a series of fact sheets, FAQs and other documents explaining changes to the Local Authorities Election Act.

- [Campaign Finance and Contribution Disclosure Amendments](#)
- [Accountability and Transparency Amendments](#)
- [Voter Accessibility Amendments](#)
- [Third Party Advertising Amendments](#)
- [General Clarifying and Technical Amendments](#)
- [LAEA FAQs](#)

One of the items that has been removed in the new legislation is the Intent to Run form that has previously been required. Intent to Run forms are no longer required. Any potential candidate is responsible for ensuring that their campaigns, including all fundraising activities are conducted as required by the Local Authorities Election Act.

[Please review the draft legislation and the overview here.](#)

Municipal Affairs is available to answer specific questions on the legislative changes and the potential impacts on campaigns in local elections (780-427-2225).

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