

Burden Reduction: Legislative and Non-Legislative Items

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Attachments:

MEDG legislation.pdf (20.12 kB); Burden Reduction - Implementation - MO meeting July 17 final.pptx (185.48 kB); 05 19 17 Burden Reduction Bill NR 16 EN.DOC (108.54 kB)

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In May, we received Cabinet approval on a number of legislative and non-legislative burden reduction initiatives. A news release announcing these upcoming initiatives was released on May 19 and noted that we would be introducing legislation in Fall 2017 (click [here](#) for the news release). MEDG will be seeking LRC approval of the proposed legislative initiatives on July 25, 2017 and, in conjunction with the Minister Responsible for Small Business, will be reporting back to Cabinet in fall 2017 with program design and implementation details on the non-legislative initiatives. Additional information on both these initiatives is noted below.

On July 17th at 3:30, MEDG will be hosting a 45 minute teleconference to provide MOs with an overview of the proposed new MEDG statute, targeting introduction in the House in fall 2017, and to outline the proposed next steps the non-legislative initiatives. A slide deck to guide this discussion will be sent out in advance of the scheduled call. To join this teleconference, please dial 416-212-8011 (or 1-866-602-5461 for long distance); Conference ID: 7441663.

MEDG is committed to continuing to work with affected ministries in designing and implementing both the legislative and non-legislative initiatives. As such, we will continue to engage MOs at appropriate points in the development and approval processes. If you have any questions, please contact Alex Irving in the MEDG MO.

Background – Legislative and Non-Legislative Burden Reduction Initiatives

Proposed *Reducing Regulatory Costs for Business Act, 2017*:

The proposed new MEDG statute will require ministries to:

- Offset new administrative costs by reducing existing costs when creating or amending regulations;
- Conduct regulatory impact analyses when amending or creating regulations that impact business and publish the administrative costs from these analyses;
- Develop a less onerous compliance framework for small businesses when amending or creating regulations, if appropriate;
- Adopt international or national standards when amending or creating regulations, if appropriate;
- Provide businesses the option to submit documents electronically to government; and
- Develop a plan to reward businesses with excellent compliance.

Non-legislative Initiatives:

MSB/MEDG will report back to Cabinet in fall 2017 on the following non-legislative initiatives:

- Reduction in Fees for Small Businesses
- Ontario Small Business Connect – A Service for Small Business
- Small Business Procurements
- Inspections Pilot
- Risk-Based Inspections by Default