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Oral Question 80-18(3) and Oral Question 278-18(3)
Status of Amendments to the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*

This letter is in follow up to the Oral Questions you raised on February 12, 2018, and on March 15, 2018 in relation to the status of proposed amendments to the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*. Specifically, you asked questions about the timeline for this project and about Municipal and Community Affairs (MACA) ongoing engagement with the City of Yellowknife.

MACA received confirmation that the legislative proposal to amend the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act* was approved by Cabinet on April 26, 2018. Efforts to complete the drafting of the Bill are now nearing completion, and MACA anticipates introduction of *An Act to Amend the Cities, Towns and Villages Act* in the May/June sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

MACA remains committed to working with the City of Yellowknife and other key stakeholders as this Bill advances. On April 11, 2018, MACA had a productive meeting with officials from the City of Yellowknife to confirm the proposed parameters of the draft Bill. We understand the City is supportive of the proposed approach, having received no indication that there are any outstanding concerns to be addressed.

Thank you for raising this important topic.

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