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(Bill No. 24)

## **Government Reorganization Act**

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Hon. Bloyce Thompson  
Minister of Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General

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GOVERNMENT BILL

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## GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION ACT

**BILL NO. 24**

**2023**

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BE IT ENACTED by the Lieutenant Governor and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Prince Edward Island as follows:

**1. Section 1 of the *Public Departments Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-29*, is repealed and the following substituted:**

**1. Departments**

There shall be several departments of the Government of Prince Edward Island, named as in Column 1 of the Table, over which the several Ministers of the Crown, named as in Column 2, shall preside.

*Table*

<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>
<b>Department</b>	<b>Minister</b>
Department of Agriculture	Minister of Agriculture
Department of Economic Development, Innovation and Trade	Minister of Economic Development, Innovation and Trade
Department of Education and Early Years	Minister of Education and Early Years
Department of Environment, Energy and Climate Action	Minister of Environment, Energy and Climate Action
Department of Finance	Minister of Finance
Department of Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture	Minister of Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture
Department of Health and Wellness	Minister of Health and Wellness
Department of Housing, Land and Communities	Minister of Housing, Land and Communities
Department of Justice and Public Safety	Minister of Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General
Department of Social Development and Seniors	Minister of Social Development and Seniors

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure	Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure
Department of Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population	Minister of Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population

**2. The Acts set out in Column 1 of the Schedule are amended to the extent set out in Column 2 of the Schedule.**

**SCHEDULE**

**Column 1**

**Column 2**

*Agricultural Crop Rotation Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-8.01

**Clause 1(g) is amended by the deletion of the words “Environment, Water and Climate Change” and the substitution of the words “Environment, Energy and Climate Action”.**

*Agricultural Insurance Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-8.2

**Clauses 1(i) and (n) are amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

**Clause 4(1)(a) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Amusement Devices Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-10.1

**Clause 1(d) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

*Animal Health Act* R.S.P.E.I.  
1988, Cap. A-11.1

**Clause 1(f) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Animal Welfare Act* R.S.P.E.I.  
1988, Cap. A-11.2

**Clause 1(1)(p) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

**Subsection 15(4) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

**Clause 17(2)(a) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Boilers and Pressure Vessels Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. B-5

**Clause 1(k) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

**Subsection 30(5) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

*Building Codes Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. B-5.1

**Clause 1(p) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

**Subsection 6(8) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

*Certified Fisheries  
Organizations Support Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-2.1

**Clauses 1(1)(b.2) and (f) are amended by the deletion of the words “Fisheries and Communities” and the substitution of the words “Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture”.**

*Child Protection Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-5.1

**Clauses 1(m.1) and (q) are amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Children’s Law Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-6.1

**The Act is amended in the following provisions by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”:**

- (a) subsection 60(3);**
- (b) clause 61(1)(e);**
- (c) subsections 61(2) and (4);**
- (d) subsection 78(1).**

*Civil Service Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-8

**Clause 43(2)(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Economic Development, Innovation and Trade”.**

*Climate Leadership Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-9.1

**Clause 1(s) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Dairy Producers Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. D-2

**Clause 1(e) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

**Subsection 3(2) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Early Learning and Child Care  
Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-.01

**The Act is amended in the following provisions by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Education and Early Years”:**

- (a) clause 1(o);**
- (b) clause 7(1)(b);**
- (c) subsection 7(5);**
- (d) subsection 10(1).**

*Education Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-.02

**Clauses 1(1)(d) and (t) are amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Education and Early Years”.**

*Employment Standards Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-6.2

**Clause 1(k) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

**Subsection 4(21) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Family Law Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-2.1

**Subsection 33(3) is amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Farm Practices Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-4.1

**Clause 1.1(h) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

**Clause 5(1.1)(a) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Farm Registration and Farm Organizations Funding Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-4.2

**Clauses 1(b) and (e) are amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Finance PEI Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-8.1

**Clause 4(1)(a) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Economic Development, Innovation and Trade”.**

*Fisheries Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-13.01

**Clause 1(j) is amended by the deletion of the words “Fisheries and Communities” and the substitution of the words “Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture”.**

*Grain Elevators Corporation Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. G-5

**Clause 1(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Hairdressers Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-1.01

**Clause 1(1)(j) is amended by the deletion of the word “Education” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Health Services Payment Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-2

**Clause 17(2)(g) is amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Heritage Places Protection Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-3.1

**Clause 1(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture”.**

*Highway Signage Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-4.1

**Clause 1(b) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Transportation and Infrastructure”.**

*Highway Traffic Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-5

**Clauses 264(5)(b) and (c) are amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Holland College Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-6

**Clause 1(d) is amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Hospital and Diagnostic Services Insurance Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-8

**Clause 6(2)(g) is amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Housing Corporation Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-11.1

**Clauses 1(b) and (e) are amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

*Innovation PEI Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. I-2.2

**Clauses 1(e) and 4(1)(a) are amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Economic Development, Innovation and Trade”.**

*Intercountry Adoption (Hague Convention) Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. I-4.1

**Clause 1(1)(b) is amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*International Interests in Mobile Aircraft Equipment Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. I-5.1

**Clause 1(1)(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Economic Development, Innovation and Trade”.**

*Island Investment Development Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. I-10.1

**Clause 1(d) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Economic Development, Innovation and Trade”.**

**Clauses 3(1)(a) and 3(1.01)(a) are amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Economic Development, Innovation and Trade”.**

*Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. I-11

**Clause 1(d) is amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Education and Early Years”.**

*Labour Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. L-1

**Clause 1(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Maintenance Enforcement Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. M-1

**Subsection 1(1) is amended**

**(a) in subclause (b)(ix), by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”; and**

**(b) in clause (c), by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Mineral Resources Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. M-7

**Clauses 1(c) and (m) are amended by the deletion of the words “Transportation and Infrastructure” and the substitution of the words “Environment, Energy and Climate Action”.**

*Museum Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. M-14

**Clause 1(d) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture”.**

*Natural Products Marketing Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. N-3

**Clauses 1(a.3) and (e.1) are amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Planning Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-8

**Clauses 1(f) and 25(a) are amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

*Plant Health Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-9.1

**Clause 1(l) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Post-Secondary Institutions  
Sexual Violence Policies Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-11.2

**Subsection 2(2) is amended by the deletion of the words “Workforce and Advanced Learning” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Poverty Elimination Strategy Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-14.1

**Clause 1(1)(f) is amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Power Engineers Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-15

**Subsection 4(2) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

*Private Schools Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-20.01

**Clause 1(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Education and Early Years”.**

*Private Training Schools Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-20.02

**Clauses 1(d) and (j) are amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Provincial Health Number Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-27.01

**Clause 1(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Public Libraries Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P-31.1

**Clause 1(e) is amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Education and Early Years”.**

*Real Property Assessment Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. R-4

**Clause 1(1)(e.4) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Registered Professional Planners  
Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. R-9.1

**Clause 1(f) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the words “Housing, Land and Communities”.**

*Rehabilitation of Disabled  
Persons Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. R-12

**Clause 1(c) is amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Renewable Energy Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. R-12.1

**Clause 1(1)(k) is amended by the deletion of the words “Transportation and Infrastructure” and the substitution of the words “Environment, Energy and Climate Action”.**

*Social Assistance Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. S-4.3

**Clauses 1(d) and (f) are amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Social Work Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. S-5

**Clause 1(e) is amended by the deletion of the words “Community Services and Seniors” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Stray Livestock Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. S-8.1

**Clause 1(e) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Forestry” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Student Financial Assistance Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. S-8.2

**Clause 1(i) is amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

**Subsection 4(1) is amended**

**(a) in clause (a), by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”; and**

**(b) in clause (c), by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

**Subsection 4(2) is amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Supports for Persons with Disabilities Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. S-9.2

**Clauses 1(b) and (d) are amended by the deletion of the words “Social Development and Housing” and the substitution of the words “Social Development and Seniors”.**

*Teachers’ Pension Plan Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. T-.01

**Subsection 1(1) is amended in the following provisions by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Education and Early Years”:**

**(a) paragraph (w)(iii)(A);**

**(b) clause (y);**

**(c) paragraph (kk)(i)(C).**

*Tourism Industry Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. T-3.3

**Clause 1(a.1) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture”.**

*Tourism PEI Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. T-3.4

**Subsection 12(3) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture”.**

*University Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. U-4

**Subsection 5(4) is amended by the deletion of the words “Education and Lifelong Learning” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Weed Control Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. W-2.1

**Clause 1(d) is amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Land” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Women’s Institute Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. W-6

**Clauses 1(a) and (g) are amended by the deletion of the words “Agriculture and Forestry” and the substitution of the word “Agriculture”.**

*Workers Compensation Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. W-7.1

**Clause 1(1)(t) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

*Youth Employment Act*  
R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. Y-2

**Clause 1(c.1) is amended by the deletion of the words “Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture” and the substitution of the words “Workforce, Advanced Learning and Population”.**

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

**SECTION 1** of this Act updates the names of government departments and the titles of Ministers in the *Public Departments Act* to reflect the Spring 2023 reorganization of Government.

**SECTION 2** amends the specified Acts to reflect government department and Ministerial name changes and changes in Ministerial and Departmental responsibility for these Acts to reflect the Spring 2023 reorganization of Government.

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<i>Assent:</i>	

**SIGNATURES:**

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Honourable Antoinette Perry, Lieutenant Governor

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Honourable Darlene Compton, Speaker

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Joseph Jeffrey, Clerk

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