

## HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

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## **DELIVERED BY EMAIL**

Ministry of the Solicitor General Strategic Policy, Research and Innovation Division

SUBJECT: Comments and Feedback on the Draft Regulation Pertaining to the Code of Conduct for Police Services Board Members under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019

I am writing on behalf of the Hamilton Police Services Board (HPSB) to provide comments on the draft regulations under the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* with regards to the Code of Conduct for Police Service Board Members.

Please find below the HPSB's comments and feedback on the draft regulation:

Section 7 – A member of a police service board shall not substantially interfere with the conduct of police service board meetings.

- This statement suggests that Board members may interfere with the code of conduct, just not substantially
- Clarity on what constitutes 'substantial interference' would be helpful

Section 20 – A member of a police service board shall disclose any conflict of interest to the Inspector General.

- Clarity on how and at what point in time conflicts are to be disclosed to the Inspector General would be helpful
- Additional clarity and/or examples of what constitutes a 'personal relationship' would be helpful

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The Hamilton Police Services Board appreciates the opportunity to submit input to the Ministry of the Solicitor General and looks forward to continued engagement as additional regulations are drafted.

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Thanks & regards,

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