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BILL M 202

**ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD PUBLIC
OFFICE ACT**

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Explanatory Note

This Bill provides that a person who is a member of the Legislative Assembly is disqualified from holding a local elected office.

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HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

Definition

- 1** In this Act, “**local elected office**” means
- (a) the office of
 - (i) a mayor or councillor of a municipality, within the meaning of the *Local Government Act*,
 - (ii) an electoral area director of a regional district, within the meaning of the *Local Government Act*,
 - (iii) a member of the park board, within the meaning of the *Vancouver Charter*,
 - (iv) a school trustee, within the meaning of the *School Act*, or
 - (v) a local trust area trustee, within the meaning of the *Islands Trust Act*, or
 - (b) any other prescribed elected public office.

Disqualification

- 2** (1) A person who is a member of the Legislative Assembly is disqualified from holding a local elected office.
- (2) For certainty, any holder of a local elected office who is disqualified under subsection (1) is deemed to have resigned that office as of the date of disqualification.

Regulations

- 3** The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations referred to in section 41 of the *Interpretation Act*.

Commencement

- 4** This Act comes into force on the date of Royal Assent.