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**SHORT-TERM RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS
AMENDMENT ACT (No. 2), 2025**

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Explanatory Note

CLAUSE 1: *[Short-Term Rental Accommodations Act, section 36.1]* enables a local government to issue temporary permits for the provision of short-term rental accommodations in certain circumstances.

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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:

1 The following section is added to the Short-Term Rental Accommodations Act, S.B.C. 2023, c. 32:

Temporary permits

36.1 (1) In this section:

“**major event**” means an arts, culture, sport, academic, political or industry event that is expected to attract a significant number of attendees requiring accommodation;

“**period of a major event**” means the period during which a major event is to take place together with the three days before and the three days after this period.

- (2) Subject to subsection (7), if a major event is to take place within the area of authority of a local government, the local government may, upon application, issue a temporary permit to a person that would allow the person to provide short-term rental accommodations at a property in the area of authority during the period of the major event in accordance with the provisions of the permit and any bylaws made under subsection (4).
- (3) The permit referred to in subsection (2) is to be in effect for the period specified in the permit.
- (4) A local government may make bylaws respecting permits referred to in subsection (2).
- (5) To the extent of any conflict between the provisions of a bylaw made under subsection (4) and the provisions of this Act, the provisions of the bylaw prevail.
- (6) To the extent of any conflict between the provisions of a permit referred to in subsection (2) and the provisions of this Act, the provisions of the permit prevail.
- (7) A local government may not issue a permit under subsection (2) in respect of any particular short-term rental accommodations for a total of more than 45 days in any calendar year.

Commencement

2 This Act comes into force on the date of Royal Assent.