

Standing Committee on Legislative Offices

Report on the Reappointment of the Chief Electoral Officer

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To the Honourable Robert E. Wanner
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
of the Province of Alberta

The Standing Committee on Legislative Offices has the honour to submit its report relating to the recommendation for reappointment of the Chief Electoral Officer, for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

Sincerely,

Estefania Cortes-Vargas, MLA
Chair, Standing Committee
on Legislative Offices

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Substitution pursuant to Standing Order 56(2.1 - 2.4)

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Tuesday, February 23, 2016

At its Tuesday, February 23, 2016 meeting, the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices reviewed the January 25, 2016, request from Mr. Glen Resler, Chief Electoral Officer, for the Committee's consideration of an extension to his term of office, which will expire on May 5, 2016.

Section 3(3) of the *Election Act*, excerpted below, provides for the reappointment of the Chief Electoral Officer:

Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer

(3) The appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer expires 12 months after polling day for a general election unless the Chief Electoral Officer is reappointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council prior to that date on the recommendation of the Standing Committee.

The Committee agreed with Mr. Resler's request to be reappointed, and the Committee passed the following motion in this respect:

MOVED by Mr. Kleinsteuber that the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Mr. Glen Resler be reappointed as Chief Electoral Officer.

