

Good Morning,

I am pleased to advise that the Minister of Health and Wellness, the Hon. Leo Glavine, is expected to introduce a revised *Paramedics Act* later this week in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly. It would replace the *Paramedics Act* (Bill 158), which was passed in 2005.

The legislation would come into effect on April 1, 2017, at which point paramedicine will become a self-regulated profession. We anticipate it will take that amount of time to establish the College of Paramedicine, and develop policies and protocols, etc.

Paramedics will join 21 other self-regulated health disciplines, reinforcing the high esteem that the public holds for paramedics and our shared goal of enhanced public protection.

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