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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY AMENDMENT ACT, 2018

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Explanatory Note

This Bill would amend the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to include "gender identity and expression" as a category of personal information that the head of a public body must refuse to disclose if the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy. This Bill would also amend the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to replace gendered language with gender neutral language.

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

- Section 3 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 165 is amended in paragraph (1) (c.2) by striking out "his or her" and substituting "their".
- 2 Section 3 is amended in paragraph (4) by striking out "his or her" and substituting "their".
- 3 Section 22 (i) is amended by adding "gender identity or expression" after "sexual orientation".
- 4 Section 29 is amended in paragraph (1) by striking out "his or her" and substituting "their".
- 5 Section 60 is amended in paragraph (2) by striking out "his or her" and substituting "their".
- 6 Section 70 is amended in paragraph (2) by striking out "he or she" and substituting "they".
- 7 Schedule 1 is amended by amending the definition of "intimate partner" section (b) by striking out "boyfriend or girlfriend" and substituting "romantic partner".