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An Act for Domestic PPE

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WHEREAS the Covid-19 Pandemic has exposed how vulnerable Canadian supply chains are, as well as exposing the lack of domestic production of personal protective equipment (PPE).

WHEREAS Giving a strategy that provides for the Canadian governments anticipated needs over the next four years which will enable supplies to assess what changes are needed in their capacity to meet expected demands,

WHEREAS In order to create a PPE supply chain, the government needs to give a consistent plan moving forward,

WHEREAS Canada needs a long-term investment strategy for the domestic production of PPE items critical to a national response to a public health crisis, including the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:

Short Title

1 This Act may be cited as the Act for Domestic PPE.

Definitions

2 Personal Protective Equipment - refers to surgical masks, respirator masks and powered air purifying respirators and required filters, face shields and protective eyewear, gloves, disposable and reusable surgical and isolation gowns and head and foot cover as well as any other gears or clothing used to protect an individual from transition of disease.

2 Committee - refers to the Canadian Committee on PPE

3 Minister - refers to the Minister of Health

Contract Requirements

4 Contract Requirements - Any PPE contracts shall mandate that the PPE be made from Canada. For the purpose of this section, “from Canada” means that 100 percent of the product is grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in Canada”. Should there be a lack of supply compared to what is required this section will not apply.

Purchase Requirements

5 Any PPE purchased shall be from Canada. For the purpose of this section, “from Canada” means that 100 percent of the product is grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in Canada”. Should there

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be a lack of supply compared to what is required this section will not apply.

Finances

6 The Government of Canada will provide a total of \$100,000,000 in funding to enter into contracts and purchase Personal Protective Equipment.

Establishment of Commission

7 The Minister of Health shall, within the Month of this bill receiving Royal Assent and thereafter with every vacancy, appoint Commissioners to the Commission.

7.1 The Commission shall be made up of 9 individuals.

7.2 Commissioners shall serve for 5 year terms, where they cannot be removed from the Commission by the Minister of Health notwithstanding the finding of guilt for a crime.

Duties of the Commission

8 Every year or when necessary, the Commission will meet to discuss the status of the requirements of PPE in Canada.

9 The Commission will have the duty to help advise the Minister of Health and ensure that Canadians are protected as well as ensuring that Canadian products are being purchased.

Accountability

10 The Minister shall report to parliament every year on the status of purchases and distribution made by the committee.

Coming into Force

11 This act comes into force immediately after receiving Royal Assent