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An Act to establish the
Ministry of Housing

Assented to October 30th, 1973
Session Prorogued March 5th, 1974

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

1. In this Act,
   (a) "Deputy Minister" means the Deputy Minister of Housing;
   (b) "Minister" means the Minister of Housing;
   (c) "Ministry" means the Ministry of Housing.

2. There shall be a ministry of the public service to be known as the Ministry of Housing.

3. The Minister shall preside over and have charge of the Ministry.

4. The Minister is responsible for the administration of this Act and any Acts that are assigned to him by the Legislature or by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

5.—(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall appoint a Deputy Minister of Housing who shall be the deputy head of the Ministry.

   (2) Such officers and employees as are required from time to time for the proper conduct of the business of the Ministry may be appointed under The Public Service Act.

   (3) No action or other proceeding for damages shall be instituted against the Deputy Minister or any officer or employee of the Ministry or anyone acting under his authority for any act done in good faith in the execution or intended execution of his duty or for any alleged neglect or default in the execution in good faith of his duty.
(4) Subsection 3 does not, by reason of subsections 2 and 4 of section 5 of The Proceedings Against the Crown Act, relieve the Crown of liability in respect of a tort committed by a person mentioned in subsection 3 to which it would otherwise be subject and the Crown is liable under that Act for any such tort in a like manner as if subsection 3 had not been enacted.

6. The expenditures of the Ministry for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 1974, as approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and thereafter the expenditures of the Ministry shall be paid out of the moneys appropriated therefor by the Legislature.

7. The Minister or the Deputy Minister, subject to the direction and control of the Minister, shall,

(a) make appropriate recommendations to the Government of Ontario on policies and objectives on housing and related matters with regard to the short-term and long-term housing needs of the people of Ontario;

(b) make recommendations for the effective co-ordination of all housing and related matters within the Government of Ontario, with a view to ensuring the consistent application of policy;

(c) advise and otherwise assist the Government of Ontario in its dealings with other governments regarding housing and related matters; and

(d) advise and otherwise assist local authorities and other persons involved in local planning and development of housing with regard to realizing the objectives of the Government of Ontario for housing and related matters.

8. Where, under this or any other Act, a power or duty is granted to or vested in the Minister, he may in writing, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, delegate that power or duty to the Deputy Minister, or to any officer or officers of the Ministry, subject to such limitations, restrictions, conditions and requirements as the Minister may set out in his delegation.

9. Subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the Minister may establish advisory committees to the Minister and sub-committees thereto, appoint chairmen and members of such committees and sub-committees, fix the
terms of reference of such committees and sub-committees and fix the remuneration and expenses of the chairmen and members of such committees and sub-committees.

10. The Minister after the close of each fiscal year shall submit to the Lieutenant Governor in Council an annual report upon the affairs of the Ministry and shall then lay the report before the Assembly if it is in session or, if not, at the next ensuing session.

11. This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

12. This Act may be cited as The Ministry of Housing Act, 1973.