

Fasken Martineau Global Mining Group Highlights Proposed Amendments to Ontario's *Mining Act*

The goal of the amendments is to “modernize” the historic *Mining Act*. In its speech to the Legislature, the Government stated that the amendments will promote mineral exploration and development in Ontario in a way that is more respectful of Aboriginal communities and private land holders. The Government has promised the amendments will provide clarity and certainty to the minerals industry. However, members of Fasken Martineau's Global Mining and Aboriginal Practice Groups have made a preliminary review of the proposed amendments and are concerned with several aspects of the proposed legislation.

[Click here](#) to read the Groups' review of proposed amendments.

[Click here](#) for the blackline of proposed amendments to Ontario's *Mining Act* as set forth in Bill 173, introduced by First Reading on April 30, 2009.

The blackline document was prepared for convenience and ease of comparing the amendments of Bill 173 to the existing *Mining Act* and may contain errors or inconsistencies with the actual Bill 173. The blackline is not an official document of the Government of Ontario and no reliance should be placed on this document.

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