

The new BC Societies Act will come into force on November 28, 2016, introducing major changes to the incorporation, membership and governance of societies in BC.

All BC societies must transition to the new act prior to November 28, 2018 or risk being dissolved by the Registrar. Although societies have two years to complete this transition, the new act will apply to all societies as soon as it comes into force. Therefore, you should be familiar and ensure compliance with the provisions now to avoid having unenforceable bylaws or having to repeat any approval processes carried out under a society's current processes that do not conform to the new act.

Where's help?

To help with the transition, Clark Wilson is offering a fixed-fee service to transition societies and update their governance documents to take advantage of the more modern and flexible provisions of the new act. The fixed fee is set at \$975 and includes:

Preparing all transition documents, including registry forms	Access to Clark Wilson's bylaw builder with model provisions, which comply with the new act and take advantage of its additional flexibility	30-minute consultation to discuss the transition process and impact of the new act on your society
Filing of the transition application with the BC Corporate Registry		Checklists and other resources

You are invited!

Join us for breakfast and a roundtable discussion on key changes in the new act and proactive measures to help you comply with the changes, including options, processes, and next steps.

Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Location: Clark Wilson LLP, 900-885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC

Time: 8:00 am - Continental breakfast

8:30 - 9:30 am – Presentation & Roundtable discussion

RSVP: events@cwilson.com.

Please contact *Rachelle Mezzarobba* at rmezzarobba@cwilson.com and/or *Areet Kaila* at akaila@cwilson.com with any questions and to get started on your transition process today.

