



Newfoundland & Labrador

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

### DIRECTIVE

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<b>Issued To:</b>  All Members of the House of Assembly; Comptroller General; Directors of Government Accounting, Professional Services and Internal Audit, OMSP, and Corporate Services; Office of the Auditor General; Office Managers of Government Caucus, Official Opposition Caucus, NDP Caucus; Assistant Deputy Clerk, Executive Council; Director of Operations, Office of the Premier.	<b>Contact:</b>  Marlene Lambe Chief Financial Officer 729 – 2923

### BACKGROUND

Subsection 20(4) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* allows the Commission to delegate a power or duty to the speaker or the clerk with certain parameters on that delegation. Paragraph 20(4)(a) reads as follows:

- (4) The commission may, by directive, delegate a power or duty to the speaker or the clerk and where that delegation is made
- (a) the commission shall establish outcome measurements and accountability recording of measurements that enable that proper oversight and recording be maintained;

Paragraphs 20(4)(b) and (c) indicate that a decision of the Speaker or Clerk would be considered to have been carried out by the commission and the commission remains accountable for the decision.

### DIRECTIVE

Pursuant to Subsection 20(4) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Commission delegated to the Speaker of the House of Assembly, in consultation with the Government House Leader, the Official Opposition House Leader and the Leader of the Third Party, the power to make decisions respecting financial matters relating to the administration of the House of Assembly and statutory offices provided that the decision is urgently required and the Commission is unable to meet on the matter in a timely manner. A decision made under this directive and reasons for it shall be recorded and reported back at the next meeting of the Commission.

William MacKenzie  
Clerk of the House of Assembly