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**Date:** March 28, 2018

**Memorandum to:** Children's Services Managers, CMSMs and DSSABs

**District School Boards** 

**From:** Shannon Fuller, Assistant Deputy Minister, Early Years

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Denise Dwyer, Assistant Deputy Minister, Indigenous Education and Well-Being Division, Ministry of Education

Subject Notification of Posting of Proposal for Regulations

under the Police Record Checks Reform Act, 2015 on

the Regulatory Registry

The purpose of this memo is to inform you that the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services has posted a proposal for regulations under the *Police Record Checks Reform Act, 2015* (PRCRA) on the regulatory registry for comment for a period of 12 calendar days, beginning on March 28, 2018.

The PRCRA received Royal Assent on December 1, 2015, to come into force on a date to be proclaimed. If proclaimed, the PRCRA would create the province's first comprehensive set of standards for how police record checks are requested, conducted and disclosed.

Certain regulations must be in place to support proclamation of the PRCRA. These include:

- A regulation to specify situations in which the PRCRA will not apply (i.e., police record checks conducted for a limited set of purposes that will not need to comply with the requirements set out in the PRCRA); and
- A regulation to specify operational procedures and protocols that police record checks providers must follow when conducting checks that are governed by the Act.

The regulatory registry posting proposes that the education and child care and early years sector screening category will be exempt from the information disclosure restrictions under the PRCRA for a limited time of one year. As such, your organization may be interested in reviewing and providing feedback on this proposal given the police record check requirements in the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* (CCEYA) and the *Education Act*.

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services recognizes your

organization's interest in issues related to police record checks and welcomes any feedback you may have. To review the proposal and provide feedback, please visit: www.ontariocanada.com/registry.

The Ministry of Education understands the importance of ensuring that children and students are in healthy and safe environments. We look forward to continued partnership with your organizations.

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