



Ontario Acts On Recommendations

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McGuinty Government Strengthening Relationship Between SIU And Police

Ontario is acting on recommendations made by former Chief Justice Patrick LeSage. Changes under a new regulation, which will come into force on August 1, 2011, will:

- prohibit witness officers from being represented by the same legal counsel as subject officers
- require that a police officer's notes be completed by the end of the officer's tour of duty, except where excused by the Chief of Police
- explicitly provide that a police officer involved in an incident shall not communicate directly or indirectly with any other police officer involved in the same incident concerning their involvement in the incident until after the SIU has completed its interviews.

QUICK FACTS

- In late 2009, the Attorney General asked the Honourable Patrick LeSage, a former Chief Justice of the Superior Court, to work with the SIU and police groups on resolving various issues.
- Mr. LeSage's recommendations were publicly released on April 7, 2011.

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- [Read Mr. LeSage's recommendations.](#)
- [Learn more about the SIU.](#)
- [Find out more about former Chief Justice Patrick LeSage.](#)

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