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Re: Bill 66: Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, 2018

On December 6, 2018 Bill 66: Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, 2018 was introduced. If passed, the proposed legislation would make changes to a number of pieces of legislation that impact municipalities directly, including the Planning Act, Pawnbrokers Act, Ontario Energy Board Act, Labour Relations Act and the Long-term Care Homes Act.

At the January 14, 2019 Regular Council meeting, Stratford City Council passed the following resolution:

THAT Stratford City Council oppose Bill 66: Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, 2018 given its omnibus form;

THAT the City would appreciate the opportunity to discuss the positive elements of the bill with the Province;

AND THAT the resolution be forwarded to the Government of Ontario before the provincial consultation deadline of January 20, 2019.

The City's concerns are predicated on the breadth of content and the need to understand the many implications of this proposed legislation to our community. We would be pleased to meet to discuss.

Sincerely,

Joan Thomson,
City Clerk