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Item No. 15.4.2

Request for Halifax Regional Council's Consideration	
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Date of Council Meeting: November 14, 2023	
Subject: Request for letter to Premier and Nova Scotia Minister of Environment and Climate Change regarding Coastal Protection Act	
Motion for Council to Consider:	
That Halifax Regional Council direct the Mayor write a letter to the Premier of Nova Scotia and Minister of Environment and Climate Change requesting an update on the regulations for the Coastal Protection Act and urging action on the regulations and proclamation of the Act.	
Reason:	
HRM's population is growing rapidly at the same time as storms are increasing in frequency and intensity. Climate adaptation measures are needed. PNS has drafted regulations respecting ocean setbacks for new development as part of the Coastal Protection Act, passed in 2019, but the regulations have not been introduced. In a municipality with a significant amount of coastline, it is prudent for both future residents and the municipality to have regulations in place governing new development in coastal areas.	
Outcome Sought:	
Timely introduction of regulations to require future development along HRM's coastline to be set back far enough from areas likely to be flooded for both the safety of residents and avoidance of future costs to the municipality.	
Councillor Kathryn Morse	District 10