

2001 alPHa RESOLUTION NO. A01-7

TITLE: Tobacco Control Act (TCA) Amendments

SPONSOR: Regional Municipality of Durham

WHEREAS the former Minister of Health's Expert Panel on the Renewal of the Ontario Tobacco Strategy recommended that the TCA be strengthened such that smoking is banned in indoor public places and workplaces; and

WHEREAS the Minister committed the Government of Ontario to review the TCA;

WHEREAS the Minister appointed a Senior Advisor for the Ontario Tobacco Strategy (OTS), reporting to the Chief Medical Officer of Health, to lead the renewal of the OTS, including the review of the TCA; and

WHEREAS the Senior Advisor has completed his review of the TCA and has forwarded proposed TCA amendments to the Government for its consideration;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) urges the Government of Ontario to release the proposed TCA amendments for public consultation;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that alPHa urges the Government to take speedy follow-up legislative action whereby at a minimum, these amendments will result in smoke-free public places and workplaces.

***Status of Resolution:* Endorsed by the alPHa membership June 12, 2001**