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The committee met at 0903 in committee room 1.

**SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT
ASSOCIATION ONTARIO ACT, 2015**

Consideration of the following bill:

Bill Pr19, An Act respecting the Supply Chain Management Association Ontario.

The Chair (Ms. Indira Naidoo-Harris): The Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills will now come to order. Good morning, everyone.

We have Bill Pr19 to consider this morning. I'm going to start by asking the sponsor to introduce himself, and also, if the applicants could introduce themselves after the sponsor does.

Mr. Lou Rinaldi: Thank you, Chair. MPP Lou Rinaldi. I'm privileged to sponsor Bill Pr19. That's from the Supply Chain Management Association Ontario. I have with me today Richard Lough, chair; Kelly Duffin, executive director; and Jeffrey Graham, corporate counsel.

Madam Chair, I'll turn it over to them, because they're a lot more expert in the issue, and go from there. Thank you very much for allowing me this time.

The Chair (Ms. Indira Naidoo-Harris): Thank you very much for coming in. Yes, please, if the applicants could go ahead. If you have any comments to make as we start.

Mr. Richard Lough: Good morning, and thank you very much for seeing us. I'm Richard Lough. I'm the chair of the board of the Supply Chain Management Association Ontario. This is Kelly Duffin, who is our executive director, and Jeff Graham, who is our legal counsel.

I'd also like to thank Lou Rinaldi for the support for our bill going forward.

Kelly will soon speak to our act, but for context, I'd like to give you a quick sense of supply chain management as a profession, and provide a brief introduction of the association and its mandate.

In my day job, I'm the manager of procurement for Canadian Blood Services. I manage a team that is responsible for procuring and sourcing everything from cookies to medical supplies to vehicles.

Procurement is part of supply chain management. In fact, supply chain management is relatively new termin-

ology and includes a wide range of activities, including procurement, logistics, sourcing, transportation and distribution. Over 350,000 Ontarians are employed in supply chain, which, end to end, can be thought of as all the functions that have come into play to get products and services from creation to the consumer.

Our association, Supply Chain Management Association Ontario, or SCMAO, is part of a national federation. Our members are largely mid-level and senior-level supply chain practitioners across the province. About a third of our members are in the public sector—at the Ministry of Health, Canada Post or municipal government, for instance. Our private sector members work in small and medium enterprises as well as Ontario's largest companies. Some of those are Tim Hortons, RBC, Canadian Tire, Magna, Ford and Air Canada, among others.

SCMAO provides a range of membership services, with a key focus on professional development. We run a number of courses to build skills and provide an ethical framework for practitioners through a code of ethics that binds all our designation holders. In this way, we advance skill development for supply chain practitioners, and fulfill a public protection function as well.

Now I'm going to turn it over to Kelly, to speak about the act itself.

Ms. Kelly Duffin: Thank you, Richard, and good morning, committee members. As Richard said, we're a professional association, and we're founded by an act, as many professional associations are: the Human Resources Professionals Association, Ontario Association of Architects, the Association of Translators and Interpreters of Ontario, and many others. We are all founded not by letters patent but by an act.

Our act, in addition to establishing us as an organization, also establishes our designation, which is called the Certified Supply Chain Management Professional, or CSCMP, designation. That is part of what we do in terms of offering professional development, and the pinnacle achievement of our professional development is the CSCMP designation.

I know you have the compendium, which outlines the objectives of our act, but I've also included—we handed out our notes, and on the back page there's a bit of a chart that really summarizes what some of our intentions were. I just wanted to review that, to give you a more

succinct sense of what we were trying to achieve in this revision to our act.

First and foremost, we need to change our name. Our association name actually changed in 2014, following an amalgamation with another association. Our former act was called the Ontario Institute of the Purchasing Management Association of Canada Inc. Act, and we're now SCMAO, so that was really the impetus that started us down the road, and that's the primary thing that we need to change.

At the same time, we did want to take some other steps to modernize our act. We have updated our objects. As Richard described, "supply chain management" is fairly new terminology for a whole breadth of functions—procurement, warehousing, distribution, inventory and transportation—now called supply chain, so we updated our objects to better reflect the evolution and scope of the profession and the breadth of supply chain.

We also wanted to tighten disciplinary measures. This is really to safeguard the integrity of the designation and assure public protection. Richard spoke about the fact that we have a code of ethics, and that public protection is one of the pieces of what our act achieves. We did want to tighten that in this revision.

We also wanted to eliminate the requirement of being designated in order to be called a member. Our current, or—hopefully, soon—our former act has a category called "associate," and we really wanted to democratize our membership and allow those people the equal rights of being a full member.

Those were the major changes and things we wanted to achieve with this revision in our act. At the same time, we did a little bit of housekeeping. We improved the definitions. We removed some things that really are better placed in bylaws, so that we don't end up with conflicting pieces of information as time goes on. We removed a reference to a benevolent fund. We removed some details of legal process, because they already exist in law, clarified the effective date of a member's resignation and clarified liability. Those were some of the further little tweaks.

We all really wanted to thank very much legislative counsel, Susan Klein, for her very thorough review and helpful guidance during that process—I think it's a much better draft by virtue of her guidance—and the Clerk of the Committee, Valerie Quioc Lim, who has been very helpful as well.

That's really the end of our presentation. We're happy to take any questions.

The Chair (Ms. Indira Naidoo-Harris): Thank you very much for your comments. I'm just going to make sure if there's anyone in the room who has comments to

make, any interested parties, before we proceed to the government comments. It doesn't look like it. Okay.

Let's move forward, then, to government and committee members' comments and questions. MPP Daiene Vernile.

Ms. Daiene Vernile: Good morning. To your knowledge, is there anyone who is objecting to what you are proposing today?

Ms. Kelly Duffin: No.

Ms. Daiene Vernile: Thank you.

The Chair (Ms. Indira Naidoo-Harris): Any other questions or comments from committee members? MPP McGarry.

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: So basically, it's more of a housekeeping item. There's really no change in your business; it's really just the name change to comply with how we're proceeding in the future in terms of what to call the industry.

Ms. Kelly Duffin: You're absolutely right. Our business remains the same, and the name change was the primary impetus. At the same time, we did do some of the substantive pieces that we outlined—to increase public protection and to modernize our objects, for instance. But you're right: The organization and the business remain unchanged.

Mrs. Kathryn McGarry: Thank you.

The Chair (Ms. Indira Naidoo-Harris): MPP French.

Ms. Jennifer K. French: I apologize for missing the earlier part of the presentation. Is there a financial piece to this or something that we're not seeing that, by changing the name, there's anything—there's no financial implication?

Ms. Kelly Duffin: There's no financial implication.

Ms. Jennifer K. French: Okay.

The Chair (Ms. Indira Naidoo-Harris): Are committee members satisfied? Are we ready to move ahead to a vote? Okay. Great.

We have a number of sections here that we'll have to look at. Are the committee members okay with me grouping them together? If it's okay with everyone, I would like to group sections 1 through to 18 all together. All right.

Shall sections 1 through 18 carry? Carried.

Shall the preamble carry? Carried.

Shall the title carry? Carried.

Shall the bill carry, and shall I report the bill to the House? Agreed. Thank you.

I think that is our business of the day. Thank you very much for coming in. It was good to hear from you all.

This meeting is adjourned.

The committee adjourned at 0913.

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