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Alberta Provincial Police Service Transition Study Released

The Government of Alberta has released a study examining the possibility of replacing RCMP municipal contract policing with a provincial police service

The Government of Alberta has released the Alberta Provincial Police Service transition study, which was written by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC). The transition study was undertaken as a result of a recommendation made in the Fair Deal Panel, which states that the creation of a provincial police force that replaces the RCMP should be explored. Alberta Justice and Solicitor General is planning to undertake an extensive engagement campaign in late 2021 and early 2022 to gather information from stakeholders. RMA has learned this will include direct engagement sessions with municipalities and other stakeholders.

PwC has written two additional reports for Alberta Justice and Solicitor General that will be important in informing the consultation period. The Alberta Provincial Police Transition Study: Current State Report and Future State Report are available online.

RMA is reviewing all three of these documents to understand the various models proposed, including impacts on service levels, municipal and provincial costs, and local input into policing. Additional information and resources will be shared with members in the near future.

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