

Purpose of the Review

Since the Act came into force in 1994, the government, its key partners, and stakeholders have identified opportunities for the Act to provide a better framework for the Safety System. For example, experience suggests there is a need to place greater emphasis on managing safety from a community-focused approach. There are also opportunities to enhance the delivery and effectiveness of safety services and update or refine some structures and processes established by the Act, such as the Safety Codes Council governance model and the code adoption process. The Act must clearly provide a mandate that accommodates evolution and innovation in the built environment.

In light of these and other developments, government and its key partners are reviewing and amending the Act to build upon success to date by ensuring that it provides the mandate, structures, processes and tools needed to provide a strong and effective legislative framework for the future.