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**MEMORANDUM TO:** Kenneth Weatherill  
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**SUBJECT:** **Ontario Regulatory Registry (ORR) Posting regarding the  
*Accommodation Sector Registration of Guests Act, 2021***

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This memorandum is to advise the policing community that there is a regulatory posting available for public and stakeholder input on the Ontario Regulatory Registry (ORR), concerning the *Accommodation Sector Registration of Guests Act, 2021* (ASRGA).

The ASRGA was passed in 2021 as part of Ontario's Anti-Human Trafficking Strategy and is intended to replace the *Hotel Registration of Guests Act*. The ASRGA seeks to combat human trafficking in the accommodation sector, which is a commonly used source for traffickers. Once in force, the ASRGA would require accommodation providers to keep specified guest information in a register, as well as clarify police powers to access that register (e.g., production order and urgent demand powers).

The proposed regulation, if made, would provide police services with operational clarity in relation to urgent demands for records in the accommodation sector and the related reporting requirements. Additionally, the proposed regulation would define the businesses that must maintain a register, what information must be recorded in the register, and how long the information must be retained.

Your feedback will be invaluable to the regulatory development process. We encourage police services to learn more about the proposal at [Proposed New Regulation under the Accommodation Sector Registration of Guests Act, 2021](#). The posting will be available for comment until February 12, 2025. It should be noted that draft regulations are subject to change based on consultation and final approval.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Sincerely,



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