

Provincial commissions

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The following list presents provincial commissions established between January 1975 and October 1976, the name of the chief commissioner or chairman, and the date each was established:

Prince Edward Island

Georgetown Shipyard Commission of Inquiry, Hon. Frederic A. Large, September 15, 1975
To inquire into matters pertaining to the Queens County Jail, Alan K. Scales QC, November 30, 1975.

Nova Scotia

Rent Review Commission, Kenneth M. Mounce, November 1975.

Quebec

To inquire into non-discrimination in fringe benefits, Roland Boutin, January 1975
To inquire into rehabilitation of children and adolescents in training schools, Manuel G. Batshaw, February 1, 1975
To inquire into health conditions in the asbestos industry, René Beaudry, June 18, 1975
To inquire into mercury in Quebec, André Barbeau, November 21, 1975
To inquire into haemodynamics and heart surgery, Maurice McGregor, December 12, 1975
To inquire into the operation of lotteries and race courses in Quebec, Jacques Gilbert, January 28, 1976.

Ontario

To inquire into the long range planning of Ontario's electrical power needs, Dr. Arthur Porter, March 12, 1975
To study the possible harm to the public interest of the increasing exploitation of violence in the communications industry, Hon. Judy LaMarsh, May 7, 1975
To inquire into the pricing of petroleum products, Claude Malcolm Isbister, July 16, 1975
To inquire into all structural and procedural aspects of the management of Algoma University College, John W. Whiteside QC, March 10, 1976.

British Columbia

To inquire into all ramifications of the implementation of an assessment system based on actual value and to review all aspects of real property taxation procedures, Robert McMath, April 24, 1975
To examine the overall administrative, operational, and financial processes utilized in the operation of Vancouver Community College Technical and Vocational Institute, Dr. George Suart, May 15, 1975
To inquire into and formulate recommendations upon all matters relating to disposition of rights by the Crown to harvest timber and to occupy forested land in British Columbia, Dr. Peter Pearse, June 12, 1975
To inquire into the redefinition of electoral districts in order to give proper and effective representation of people in all parts of the province in the Legislative Assembly, Hon. T.G. Norris QC, July 21, 1975
To inquire into the education of practical nurses and related hospital personnel, Dr. Noel A. Hall, December 1, 1975.

Local government

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Local government in Canada comprises all government entities created by the provinces and territories to provide services that can be more effectively discharged through local control. Broadly speaking, local government services are identified in terms of seven main functions: protection, transportation, environmental health, environmental development, recreation, community services and education. In addition local government may operate, through the medium of government enterprises, such facilities as public transit and the supply of electricity and gas. Education is normally administered separately from the other local functions.

Under the British North America Act local government was made a responsibility of the provincial legislatures, a responsibility extended to the territories when their governments were constituted in the present forms. The