

Resolution 28A

PROVINCIAL TRANSFER PAYMENTS (DEFEATED)

⇒ Town of Mahone Bay

WHEREAS Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations require municipalities to file various reports at certain time levels on a yearly basis; and

WHEREAS certain transfer payments are made to municipalities such as grants in lieu, equalization grants, infrastructure payments, and gas tax grants throughout the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations unilaterally advised all municipalities that any municipal unit who misses their reporting deadlines will have funding withheld; and

WHEREAS the withholding of funding will have an effect on a municipal unit's cash flow and result in a cost to the municipality in the form of lost interest income or operating loan charges;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request that Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations pay interest to municipalities at the same rate municipalities charge on late payment of taxes for any transfer payments being withheld from any municipality with such interest to be paid from the date the payment would normally have been paid to the date the actual payment is made to the municipality.