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Consensus reached on first five sections of proposed Tobacco law

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(Kahnawake – 15, Tsothohrkó:wa/January2016) The Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission announced that consensus was reached on the first five sections of the proposed *Kahnawà:ke Tobacco Law* at the Hearing held last evening.

The agenda included the addressing of community members' comments that were not properly included in the materials made available at the first meeting (First Hearing – Part 1) held on 27, Kenténha/October 2015. These comments were brought forth and addressed, with no changes to the draft being proposed. As a result, the original consensus for the first four affected sections was <u>reconfirmed</u> after approximately 45 minutes of discussion and debate.

This was followed by the final agenda item (Section #5, Definitions). After approximately ninety (90) minutes of discussion and debate consensus was reached on the entire section, which was a new agenda item. The meeting ended at 8:20pm.

For clarity, the proposed Kahnawà:ke Tobacco Law is in the First Hearing phase of the Community Decision Making Process. Approximately thirty community members were in attendance last evening. The First Hearing – Part 3 meeting date will be announced later.

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