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**HUMAN RIGHTS CODE  
AMENDMENT ACT, 2021**

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Honourable David Eby  
Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing

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## **Explanatory Notes**

SECTION 1: *[Human Rights Code, section 1]* adds a definition of “Indigenous”.

SECTION 2: *[Human Rights Code, sections 7 to 11, 13, 14, 41 and 42]* adds “Indigenous identity” to the list of protected grounds.

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**HUMAN RIGHTS CODE AMENDMENT ACT, 2021**

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

**1** *Section 1 of the Human Rights Code, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 210, is amended by adding the following definition:*

**“Indigenous”**, in relation to a person, means Indigenous within the meaning of “Indigenous peoples” as defined in the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*; .

**2** *Sections 7 (1), 8 (1), 9, 10 (1), 11, 13 (1), 14, 41 (1) and 42 (1) (a) are amended by adding “Indigenous identity,” before “race”.*

**Commencement**

**3** This Act comes into force on the date of Royal Assent.