

## Statute 741

### The Title B Canon XVIII Amendment Statute 2018

**Whereas**, General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui in 2014 passed Motion 11 resolving that any liturgy coming to General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui come first to the Common Life Liturgical Commission, as a matter of principle, to ensure three-Tikanga consideration and input, and

**Whereas**, General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui in 2016 amended Title B Canon XXX to make this provision; and

**Whereas**, General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui in 2016 also received a proposal directly from the Anglican-Methodist Dialogue group, but this was withdrawn as it had not been considered fully by the Council for Ecumenism, and

**Whereas**, it is desirable, as a matter of principle, to have a consistency of practice in considering all proposals coming to General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui to ensure three-Tikanga consideration and input, and

**Whereas**, the Council for Ecumenism seeks to strengthen its existing responsibility for interfaith matters,

#### **The General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui enacts as follows:**

1. **Title.** The Title of this Statute is *The Title B Canon XVIII Amendment Statute, 2018*.
2. **Purpose.** To amend Title B Canon XVIII to provide for all ecumenical or interfaith proposals to come to the Council before coming to General Synod/ Te Hīnota Whānui, and to strengthen the Councils responsibilities for interfaith relationships.
3. Title B Canon XVIII is amended by:
  - 3.1 Inserting into clauses 2c, d, e, f, and g, the words ‘or interfaith’ following the word ‘ecumenical’ in each case, and
  - 3.2 Inserting following clause 2. h. the clause,
    2. i. *Receiving any ecumenical or interfaith proposal to General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui before presentation to General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui, to ensure three-Tikanga consideration and input.*
  - 3.3 And, inserting into clause 5., following ‘The General Secretary of this Church shall be the Convenor and Secretary of the Council.’, the words,

*‘Additional persons may be co-opted by the Council from time to time for specific skills or expertise.’*
4. **Commencement.** This Statute comes into effect at the close of the session of General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui at which it is passed.

*We certify that this Statute was passed by the General Synod/ te Hīnota Whānui on 8 May 2018. As witnessed by our hands on 13 June 2018.*



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**Primate and Archbishop**



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