

# **Overview of the Independent Offices of the Legislative Assembly**

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## Ontario Legislative Assembly

### Auditor General

Conducts value-for-money, financial, Information Technology, forensic, environmental and compliance audits of the provincial government, its ministries and agencies.

### Elections Ontario

Conducts general elections and by-elections of Members to the Legislative Assembly under the Election Act, and trains, directs and supervises returning officers in the 124 electoral districts.

### Financial Accountability Officer

Provides independent fiscal, financial and economic analysis on the state of the Province's finances, trends in the provincial economy and related matters important to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

### Information and Privacy Commissioner

Oversees the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and the Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004 (PHIPA).

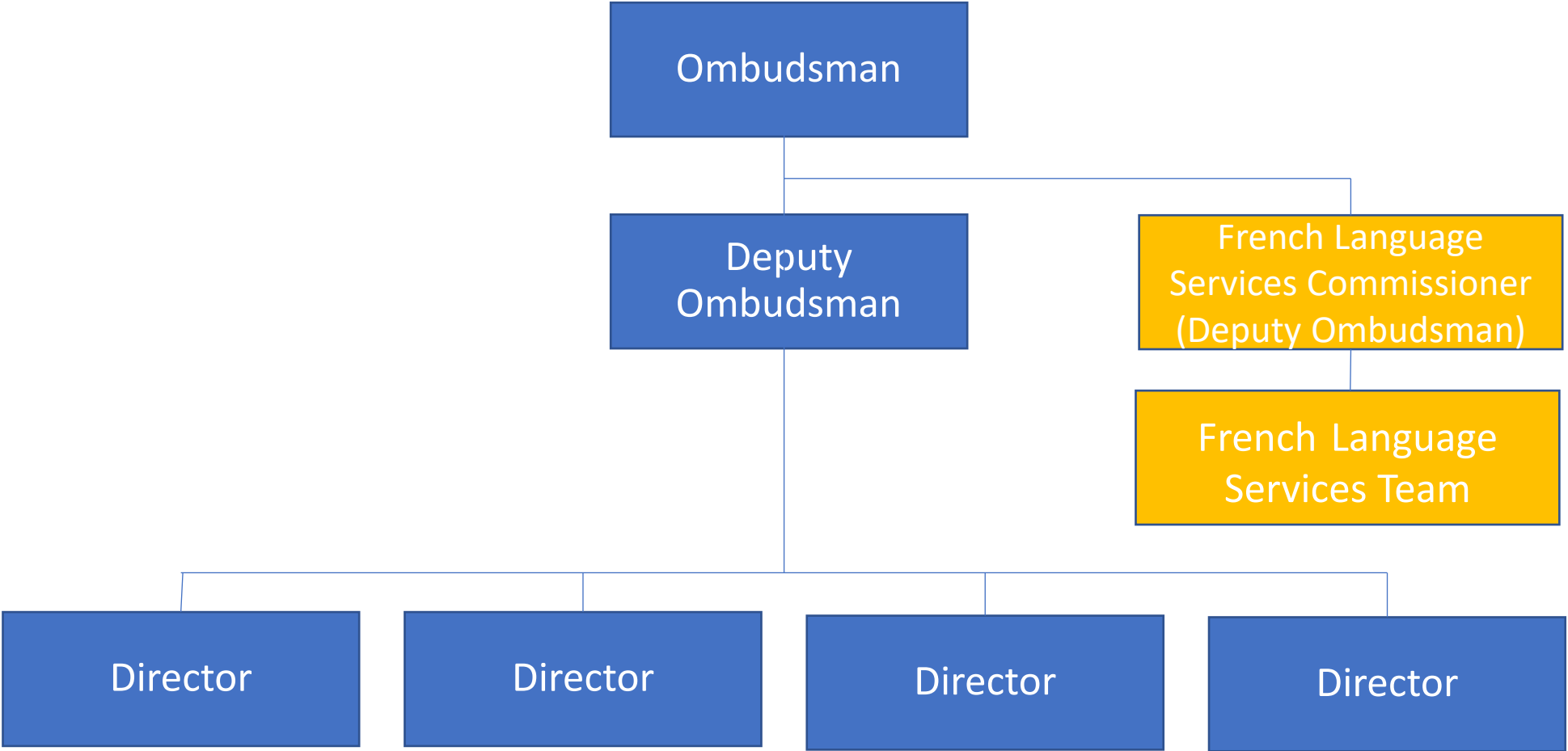
### Office of the Integrity Commissioner

Responsible for ensuring all Members of the Legislative Assembly and Executive Council comply with the Members' Integrity Act, 1994, including the filing of Public Disclosure Statements, and the right to conduct an inquiry if there are reasonable and probable grounds to believe that the Act has been contravened.

### Office of the Ombudsman

Investigates complaints about services provided by the Government of Ontario and its organizations, including municipal closed meetings, school boards, municipalities and universities, child protection services and French language services.

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# Responsibilities of the French Language Services Commissioner

- Under the [\*French Language Services Act\*](#), the French Language Services Commissioner can review complaints about the offer of services in French by or on behalf of government agencies. This includes:
  - Ministries, boards, commissions, corporations that have a majority of members and directors appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in council.
  - Designated agencies under O. Reg. 398/93, including 250 hospitals, long-term care facilities, daycares, universities, and other public sector or non-profit entities.
- As part of the Ombudsman's Office, the Commissioner is completely independent of government, political parties, individual complainants and interest groups.
- The Commissioner has the power to investigate on their own initiative and to make recommendations to improve the delivery of French language services in accordance with the obligations of the Act, including those provided or supported by the City of Toronto.