Human Resources Legislative Update

Bill C-28 Receives Royal Assent

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On December 15, 2010, Bill C-28 (formerly the *Fighting Internet and Wireless Spam Act*), received Royal Assent. The Bill will come into force on a day to be fixed by order of the Governor in Council.

As previously reported, the Bill enacts comprehensive anti-SPAM legislation and specifically amends *PIPEDA* to prohibit the collection of personal information by means of unauthorized access to computer systems, and the unauthorized compiling of lists of electronic addresses. A discussion of Bill C-28 can be found in our *FTR Now* of June 9, 2010.