#### Bill No. 2 of 1945 (2nd Session)

# A BILL TO AMEND THE NATURAL GAS UTILITIES ACT.

#### NOTE.

This Bill amends section 3 of The Natural Gas Utilities Act.

The Board established by this Act consists of two members and the main purpose of the amendment is to enable one member of the Board to continue a hearing or investigation alone, where it has been commenced before the two members. Provision is also made for the temporarily absent member to resume his place on the Board at any time and also for a member who was not present at the commencement of the hearing to participate in the hearing subsequently.

W. S. GRAY, Legislative Counsel.

(This note does not form any part of the Bill but is offered in explanation of its provisions.)

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#### (Assented to , 1945.)

**H**IS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

**1.** The Natural Gas Utilities Act, being chapter 4 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1944, is hereby amended as to section 3 by adding immediately after subsection (2) thereof the following new subsections:

"(2a) Where any hearing or investigation is or has heretofore been commenced before both members of the Board and a member is unable to attend on any day or days of such hearing or investigation for any reason whatsoever, the other member of the Board shall nevertheless have power to continue such hearing or investigation alone, and to conduct the said hearing or investigation in all respects as fully and effectively as if such hearing or investigation had been commenced before him alone, and make such decision thereon as he may deem proper.

"(2b) In case a member of the Board is unable to attend at such hearing or investigation as aforesaid, such member nevertheless shall have power and shall be qualified to resume his attendance at any time or from time to time at such hearing or investigation and take part therein until the termination thereof as fully and effectively as if he had been present continuously during such hearing or investigation, and any decision given by the Board pursuant to subsection (2a) or this subsection following upon the conclusion of such hearing or investigation shall be valid and effective notwithstanding the absence from time to time of a member during such hearing or investigation.

"(2c) Where any hearing or investigation is commenced before one member of the Board, the other member shall nevertheless have power and shall be qualified to participate at any time or from time to time in such hearing or investigation until the conclusion thereof and to participate in any decision of the Board thereon as fully and effectively as if he had been present during the whole of such hearing or investigation."

**2.** This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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