

Bill No. 37 of 1946.

A BILL TO AMEND THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE
BOARD ACT

NOTE.

Section 1 of this Bill corrects an error in describing the Board in section 4.

Section 2 amends section 15. Subsections (4) and (5) now provide for a municipal council, or in an improvement district, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, going into possession of lands infested with weeds or otherwise debilitated by improper use for the purpose of reclaiming the land. With this authority, municipal districts or the Minister, in the case of improvement districts, may undertake reclamation by employing the necessary equipment and labour or by arranging with the owner or tenant to follow a reclamation plan as outlined by the Service Board.

By experience, municipal districts have found that equipment and labour are frequently not available when required and that an agreement with the owner to carry out an approved reclamation plan is in many cases not practical.

The new subsection (5a) gives an alternative power to the council and the Minister, namely, leasing of the land to an approved tenant on whatever terms may be considered proper to accomplish reclamation.

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Legislative Counsel.

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

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An Act to amend The Agricultural Service Board Act.

(Assented to _____, 1946.)

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

1. *The Agricultural Service Board Act*, being chapter 19 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1945, is hereby amended as to section 4 by striking out the words "Advisory Service Board", where the same occur in subsection (1) thereof, and by substituting therefor the words "Agricultural Service Board".

2. The said Act is further amended as to section 15 by adding immediately after subsection (5) thereof the following new subsection:

"(5a) Instead of proceeding under subsections (4) and (5), the council or the Minister of Municipal Affairs, as the case may be, may lease the said lands to a farm operator approved by the Board for such period and on such terms as to rental and otherwise including the method of farming and reclamation of the land as may be considered by the council or said Minister to be proper in the circumstances, and in any such case any moneys received by the council or Minister under the lease shall be applied first to the repayment of any moneys expended on the land by the council or the Minister and next to the payment of taxes on the land and if any surplus remains at the termination of the lease, it shall be paid to the person other than a tenant entitled to the possession of the land at the time of the passing of the by-law or the making of the order."

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

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