Bill No. 51 of 1946.

A BILL TO VALIDATE ORDER IN COUNCIL No. 1964-45 DATED THE 4th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1945, RELATING TO THE VOTING IN THE CITY OF WETASKIWIN AND THE WETASKIWIN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

NOTE.

The Order in Council validated by this Bill was made at the request of the City of Wetaskiwin subject to validation by the Legislature to enable voters who have been overseas for a period of years to vote at the municipal and school elections held in 1945.

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

, 1946.)

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

- 1. A certain Order in Council dated the 4th day of December, 1945, and intituled O.C. 1964-45 which is set out as the Schedule to this Act, is hereby ratified, validated and confirmed, and shall have the same force and effect as if the same had been enacted by this Act.
- 2. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to, and upon so coming into force shall be deemed to have been in force at all times since the 4th day of December, 1945.

SCHEDULE

Approved and Ordered,

O.C. 1964-45

(Sgd.) J. C. Bowen, Lieutenant Governor.

Edmonton, Tuesday, December 4th, 1945.

The Executive Council has had under consideration the report of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs, dated November 30th, 1945, stating that:

Whereas under the provisions of the Charter of the City of Wetaskiwin persons who are not on the assessment roll or the voters' list are not entitled to vote at civic and school elections; and

Whereas a number of persons who were members of the Armed Forces and were resident in the City of Wetaskiwin (or Wetaski-win School District, as the case may be) at the time of joining the said Forces and are still resident in the said City or School District, as the case may be, returned to the City too late to have their names placed on the voters' list and vote at the civic and school elections to be held on the 10th day of December, 1945; and

Whereas the City has requested that an Order in Council be passed, subject to validation by the Legislature, whereby such persons, if otherwise qualified, be entitled to vote at said civic and school elections;

Therefore, upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Executive Council advises that, subject to validation at the next session of the Legislature, the Act to amend and consolidate the *Wetaskiwin City Charter*, being chapter 66 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1930, be and is hereby amended by adding after Section 24 the new Section 24a hereto attached as Schedule A.

(Sgd.) ERNEST C. MANNING, Chairman.

SCHEDULE A.

24a. Any person who was serving in the Armed Forces of His Majesty (or, as the case may be) in the war just concluded and was a resident of the City of Wetaskiwin or of the Wetaskiwin School District at the time of joining the Forces, and who has returned to the City or School District since the 30th day of June, 1945, and is now a resident of the City or School District (as the case may be), and who is a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, shall be entitled to vote at the civic and school elections to be held in the City of Wetaskiwin and Wetaskiwin School District on the 10th day of December, 1945, upon taking the following oath before the Returning Officer or Deputy Returning Officer:

"You do swear that you are a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years; that you were a member of His Majesty's Forces (or, as the case may be) in the war just concluded, and returned to the City of Wetaskiwin (or Wetaskiwin School District, as the case may be) since the 30th day of June, 1945; that at the time of joining the said Forces you were a resident of the City of Wetaskiwin (or Wetaskiwin School District, as the case may be) and are now a resident of the said City (or School District, as the case may be), So Help You God."

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HON. MR. GERHART.

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