

Bill No. 52 of 1947.

A BILL TO AMEND THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC
WELFARE ACT

NOTE.

This Bill proposes to add a Part II to the above Act and authorizes the Minister of Public Welfare to acquire, maintain and operate homes for persons who are aged or infirm and training schools for children who are wards of the Government.

Section 31 authorizes the Minister to provide hospitalization and treatment services (defined in section 2 (g)) to old age pensioners and blind pensioners and their dependants and similar services to women in receipt of mothers' allowance.

Section 33 authorizes the Minister to make regulations dealing with admission of persons to a home or training school and making arrangements with municipalities as to admission of residents of the municipalities.

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

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No. 52 of 1947.

An Act to amend The Bureau of Public Welfare Act.

(Assented to , 1947.)

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

1. *The Bureau of Public Welfare Act*, being chapter 21 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended by adding immediately at the end thereof the following new Part:

"PART II.

"28. In this Part unless the context otherwise requires,—

"(a) 'Council' means in relation to an improvement district the Minister of Municipal Affairs, and in relation to a special area the Minister of Lands and Mines;

"(b) 'Home' means a building or buildings and grounds operated and maintained by the Department of Public Welfare for the care of aged or infirm persons;

"(c) 'Hospitalization' means the provision of public ward hospital services including routine, drugs and dressings;

"(d) 'Minister' means the Minister of Public Welfare;

"(e) 'Municipality' means any city, town, village, municipal district, local improvement district and special area;

"(f) 'Training school' means a building or buildings and grounds operated and maintained by the Department of Public Welfare for the care and training of children who are wards of the Government pursuant to the provisions of *The Child Welfare Act*;

"(g) 'Treatment services' means the application of all necessary diagnostic and curative procedures as provided for in the regulations made under the provisions of this Act.

"29. The Minister may acquire, maintain and operate homes and maintain therein residents of the Province who are aged or infirm.

"30. The Minister may acquire, maintain and operate training schools and maintain therein children who are wards of the Government pursuant to the provisions of *The Child Welfare Act*.

"31.—(1) The Minister may provide hospitalization and treatment services for any person resident in the Province who is in receipt of an old age pension or a blind pension under or pursuant to the provisions of *The Old Age Pensions Act, Alberta*, and for the dependants of any such person.

"(2) During the time that any woman is in receipt of an allowance under the provisions of *The Mothers' Allowance Act*, the Minister may provide hospitalization and treatment services for her and for her dependants.

"32. The expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this Part shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for the purpose by the Legislature.

"33. Subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the Minister may make such regulations as may be deemed necessary for the proper carrying out of the provisions of this Part, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, may make regulations as to the admission of persons to a home or training school, and providing for arrangements being made with the council of any municipality for the admission to a home or training school and the terms of such admission of any person who is a resident of the municipality as defined in the appropriate municipal Act."

2. This Act shall come into force on the first day of May, 1947.

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