Bill No. 23 of 1950.

A BILL TO AMEND THE FIRE PREVENTION ACT

NOTE.

This Bill amends *The Fire Prevention Act*, being chapter 266 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942.

Section 5 of the Act is amended in order that fire prevention and fire inspection officers in fire departments may act as local assistants to the fire commissioner.

Section 11 is amended. At present local assistants are required to report all fires to the fire commissioner. Under the proposed amendment they will now only be required to report fires caused by negligence or design or in which loss of life or uninsured property occurs or fires with respect to which the fire commissioner has requested that a report be made.

Section 24 is amended. At present if a fire occurs it must be reported to the fire commissioner both by the insurer and by the person suffering the loss. Under the amendment it would only be necessary for the person suffering the loss to report those fires in which his property is not insured. This amendment is designed to eliminate duplication in reporting fires.

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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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(Assented to , 1950.)

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

1. The Fire Prevention Act, being chapter 266 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended as to section 5, clause (a) by adding immediately at the end thereof the words "and such other member or members of the fire department as the fire chief may authorize to act as local assistants".

2. The said Act is further amended as to section 11 by striking out subsection (2) and by substituting the following:

- "(2) Every local assistant,—
- "(a) when he finds upon investigation that a fire has been caused by negligence or design, or that loss of life has resulted from fire, or that property in the Province on which no insurance is in effect, has been destroyed by fire; or
- "(b) when he is requested to do so by the fire commissioner;

shall immediately following such investigation furnish to the fire commissioner on a form supplied by him, all facts relating to the cause and origin of the fire.".

3. The said Act is further amended as to section 24,---

- (a) by adding immediately after the word "Province" where it occurs in subsection (3) the words "on which no insurance is in effect";
- (b) by adding immediately after subsection (3) the following new subsection:

"(3a) Any person, firm or corporation who has sustained loss by fire on property in the Province, upon the request of the fire commissioner, shall advise the fire commissioner of the date of the fire and the amount of loss sustained and shall furnish any further information that the fire commissioner may require.".

4. This Act shall come into force on the first day of July, 1950.

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