

Bill No. 35 of 1950.

A BILL TO AMEND THE MATERNITY
HOSPITALIZATION ACT

NOTE.

This Bill amends *The Maternity Hospitalization Act*, being chapter 9 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1944.

A new section 5a is added immediately after section 5. This section enables the Minister to pay to any woman who receives maternity hospitalization in a hospital situate outside the Province a grant on a *per diem* basis for a period of hospitalization not exceeding twelve days if she complies with the requirements laid down in the section. Pursuant to these requirements she must be entitled to free hospitalization and she must reside in an area where, in the opinion of the Minister, a hospital within the Province is not readily accessible to her. She is also required to submit a receipt from the hospital showing her account as paid in full. The amount of the grant is the same as would have been paid to the hospital within the Province that is nearest to her place of residence if she had been hospitalized in that hospital.

Alberta residents who live in border areas where an Alberta hospital is not readily accessible and consequently receive maternity hospitalization in another province, may now obtain the benefits provided for in this Act by reason of this amendment.

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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. 35 of 1950.

An Act to amend The Maternity Hospitalization Act.

(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 Maternity Hospitalization Act*, being chapter 9 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1944, is hereby amended by adding immediately after section 5 the following new section:

"5a.—(1) The Minister may pay to any woman who receives maternity hospitalization in a hospital situated outside the Province a grant on a *per diem* basis for a period of hospitalization not exceeding twelve days, if the woman,—

"(a) is entitled to free hospitalization under this Act and the regulations; and

"(b) resides in an area where, in the opinion of the Minister, a hospital within the Province is not readily accessible to her; and

"(c) submits a receipt from the hospital showing her account for maternity hospitalization has been paid in full.

"(2) The grant shall be of such amount as would have been paid to the hospital within the Province that is nearest to her place of residence if she had been hospitalized in that hospital."

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 on and after the first day of April, 1949.

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Hospitalization Act.

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HON. DR. CROSS.
