

Bill No. 73 of 1951.

A BILL TO AMEND THE OIL AND GAS RESOURCES
CONSERVATION ACT, 1950.

NOTE.

This Bill amends *The Oil and Gas Resources Conservation Act, 1950*, being chapter 46 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1950.

Section 15 authorizes The Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board to appoint employees and obtain the services of professional persons necessary for the transaction of its business. A new clause is added to authorize the Board to appoint experts to inquire into and report on matters coming before the Board.

Section 27 deals with cancellation or suspension of a well license. It is amended to permit the cancellation of a license at the request of the license holder.

Section 37 provided for the keeping of records and the filing of returns by well operators, purchasers, transporters and plant operators. It has been rewritten as sections 37, 37a and 37b, separate sections being used to set out the provisions dealing with well operators, with purchasers and transporters and with plant operators. Some changes have been made in the substance of the provisions to keep abreast of the changing conditions and new elements entering the petroleum and allied industries.

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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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An Act to amend The Oil and Gas Resources Conservation Act, 1950.

(Assented to _____, 1951.)

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

1. *The Oil and Gas Resources Conservation Act, 1950*, being chapter 46 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1950, is hereby amended.

2. Section 15 is amended by adding immediately after clause (b) the following new clause: Section 15 amended

“(c) appoint from time to time one or more experts or persons having technical or special knowledge of any matter before the Board, any of which experts or persons may or may not be officers, servants or employees of the Board, to inquire into and report to the Board in respect of the matter in question.”.

3. Section 27 is amended by adding immediately after clause (b) the following new clause: Section 27 amended

“(bb) cancel a license at the request of the licensee;”.

4. Section 37 is struck out and the following sections are substituted: Section 37 amended

“**37.** (1) If a well is producing or is capable of producing oil or gas, the owner shall keep at his field office or other place of business in the Province a daily record of the well in a form satisfactory to the Board showing,— Owner shall keep record of production separator pressure and disposition

“(a) the oil, gas and water and sediment produced from the well;

“(b) the average separator pressure if a separator is in use;

“(c) full particulars of the disposition of all products of the well;

“(d) in any case where a product is sold, the name of the purchaser and the amount realized from the sale.

“(2) If water or gas is being injected into the well, the owner shall keep at his field office or other place of business in the Province a daily record of the well in a form satisfactory to the Board showing,— Owner of injection well shall keep records

- “(a) the gas or water injected into the well;
- “(b) the source from which the gas or water was obtained; and
- “(c) particulars of any treatment to which the gas or water has been subjected.
- Owner shall file reports “(3) The owner of a well, which during the preceding month produced or was capable of producing oil or gas, or into which water or gas was injected during the preceding month, shall file with the Board on forms furnished or approved by the Board, not later than the fifteenth day of the month, a full report of,—
- “(a) the oil, gas and water and sediment produced from the well during the preceding month and the disposition thereof;
- “(b) the water and gas injected into the well during the preceding month;
- “(c) the average separator pressure for the preceding month if a separator is in use;
- “(d) unless otherwise directed by the Board the amount realized from the sale during the preceding month of,—
- “(i) oil produced from the well; and
- “(ii) gas produced from the well and products derived therefrom;
- “(4) If a well is shut in, a return so stating shall be furnished each month until production is resumed or the well is abandoned.
- Battery of wells. “(5) The Board, upon application, may permit the keeping of records or the filing of reports in accordance with this section for a battery or group of wells but in such case,—
- “(a) the figures shall be prorated, in a manner satisfactory to the Board, to indicate as nearly as possible the actual production of the individual wells; and
- “(b) the prorated figures shall represent the production of each well for all purposes.
- “(6) The owner shall keep such other records and furnish such other reports as the Board may require.
- Purchasers and transporters shall keep records and file reports “37a. Each purchaser or transporter of oil or gas shall keep a daily record of such oil and gas, and file with the Board not later than the fifteenth day of each month a full report of the oil and gas purchased or transported during the preceding month.
- Plant operators shall keep records and file reports “37b. Unless otherwise directed by the Board each plant operator processing oil or gas shall keep a daily record of such oil and gas, and file with the Board not later than the fifteenth day of each month a full report of the oil and gas processed during the preceding month, showing in a manner satisfactory to the Board,—
- “(a) particulars of the oil and gas received at the plant;

“(b) particulars of the products derived from such oil and gas and the disposition thereof;

“(c) where applicable, the proportion of the products of a gas processing plant allocated to each individual well and the manner in which the proportion is calculated.”.

5. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which ^{Coming} it is assented to. _{into force}

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