Bill No. 107 of 1952.

A BILL TO AMEND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ACT, 1951.

NOTE.

This Bill amends The Public Works Department Act, 1951, being chapter 73 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1951.

Three new sections are added after section 10 and provide for a stock advance fund which is to be administered by the Minister. The Provincial Treasurer upon the requisition of the Minister may advance to the stock advance fund from the General Revenue Fund such sums as may be required to pay for equipment and material required by the department. The net amount of the advances at any time shall not exceed four hundred thousand dollars. The Provincial Auditor is to certify an operating account and balance sheet covering all operations of the stock advance fund. Profits are to be transferred to the General Revenue Fund, and deficits are to be deducted from profits of succeeding years before the profits are transferred to the General Revenue Fund. These provisions are similar to those found in sections 10, 11 and 12 of The Highways Department Act.

This Bill comes into force on the first day of July, 1952.

J. W. RYAN, Acting Legislative Counsel.

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

BILL

No. 107 of 1952.

An Act to amend The Public Works Department Act, 1951.

(Assented to , 1952.)

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

1. The Public Works Department Act, 1951, being chapter 73 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1951, is hereby amended.

New sections 10a to 10c inclusive 2. The following new heading and sections are added immediately after section 10:

"Stock Advance Fund.

Stock advance fund Advances "10a. (1) The Minister shall administer the stock advance fund.

"(2) The Provincial Treasurer, from time to time, upon the requisition of the Minister, may make advances from the General Revenue Fund to the stock advance fund of such sums as the Minister may require to pay for machinery, equipment, stock or material required by the Department.

"(3) The net amount of the advances at any time shall not exceed four hundred thousand dollars.

"**10***b*. (1) Where the machinery, equipment, stock or material is purchased for and delivered to a particular department, branch or service, the Minister may charge the value thereof to that department, branch or service.

"(2) Where the machinery or equipment is purchased and held by the stock advance fund for use by one or more departments, branches or services, the Minister may charge a fair rental for its use to the department, branch or service by or for which it is used.

"(3) Where machinery, equipment, stock or material held by the stock advance fund is no longer required, the Minister may sell or otherwise dispose of the same on such terms and conditions as the Minister deems proper.

"(4) The amount of each charge made by the Minister under subsections (1) and (2), and the proceeds of any sale or disposition made under subsection (3), shall be credited to the amount of the advances made by the Provincial Treasurer to the stock advance fund.

"10c. (1) The Minister, on or before the fifteenth day of June in each year, shall cause to be prepared and sub-

Advances limited

Charges for stock

Disposal of machinery and equipment

Operating account and balance sheet mitted to the Provincial Auditor for certification the operating account and the balance sheet covering all operations of the stock advance fund for the immediately preceding fiscal year.

"(2) The statements as certified by the Provincial Auditor shall be included in the public accounts for the year.

"(3) The Lieutenant Governor in Council by order may Transfer transfer any profit arising from the operations of the year as shown by the said statements to the General Revenue Fund of the Province.

"(4) In case a deficit has occurred in operations for the Deficit in operations fiscal year, the amount of the deficit may be deducted from the profit of any succeeding fiscal year or years before the profit is transferred to the General Revenue Fund."

3. This Act shall come into force on the first day of July, $Coming_{into force}$ 1952.

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HON. MR. MACMILLAN.