

Bill No. 18 of 1953

A BILL TO AMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION ACT

NOTE

This Bill amends *The Department of Education Act*, being chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942.

Section 7 is amended. Subclause (iii) of clause (a) is amended to delete the power of the Minister to make regulations for the examinations of persons desiring to enter professions. Such matters are now covered by the various professional Acts, and the General Faculty Council of the University of Alberta generally sets such examinations. New clauses (f) and (g) have been added to empower the Minister, with the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, to operate technical institutes and provide correspondence instruction in elementary, high school and vocational school subjects.

Section 8 is amended to bring a reference up to date.

Section 9 is struck out and new sections 9 and 9a substituted therefor. The effect of this amendment is to remove reference to *The School Grants Act* and the provision of that Act whereby, in lieu of a grant, the Minister could supply books for a school library. In 1945 a new School Grants Act was enacted and that provision does not appear in *The School Grants Act, 1945*. While section 9 has been redrafted, only the provisions relating to the grant of school library books and the payment of premiums on school district or division treasurers' bonds have been removed therefrom.

Section 9a is a new section and incorporates the provisions of the former section 9 relating to the payment of premiums upon treasurers' bonds. Instead of this payment being advanced from the fund providing for the printing, publishing and purchasing of school books, it is now advanced out of the General Revenue Fund. Subsection (2) sets a limit upon the aggregate amount that may be outstanding at any one time. That limit is two thousand dollars. Subsection (3) provides that the amount deducted from a grant under subsection (2) of section 194 of *The School Act, 1952*, by reason of the payment of such a premium must be repaid to the Provincial Treasurer and applied by him in reduction of the outstanding advance.

Section 11 is amended to remove all reference in this section to "The School Boards Trust Account" which is no longer used. The former subsection (3) is divided into two subsections; the effect is that now the Minister, by regulation, may set the reasonable or necessary expenses

incurred on behalf of a school district or division in disposing of its issue of debentures. The provision empowering the Minister to make disbursements and to deduct same before paying the proceeds of the debentures to the district or division issuing them is removed.

Section 13 is amended to refer to school divisions as well as districts.

This Bill comes into force on the 1st day of July, 1953.

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

BILL

No. 18 of 1953

An Act to amend The Department of Education Act.

(Assented to _____, 1953)

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

1. *The Department of Education Act*, being chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended.

2. Section 7 is amended

Section 7
amended

(a) by striking out the words "who may desire to enter professions or", where they occur in subclause (iii) of clause (a);

(b) by adding immediately after clause (e) the following new clauses:

"(f) to operate one or more technical institutes providing vocational instruction;

Technical
institutes

"(g) to provide for instruction by correspondence in elementary, high school and vocational subjects.

Instruction
by corres-
pondence

3. Section 8 is amended by adding immediately after the words "*The School Act*", wherever they occur, the figures ", 1952".

Section 8
amended

4. Section 9 is struck out and the following is substituted:

Section 9
amended

"9. (1) The Minister may have school books printed and published and may also purchase school books and books for school library purposes, and school supplies, and may sell the same to school districts or divisions or teachers or other persons.

School books
and supplies

"(2) Upon the requisition of the Minister, the Provincial Treasurer may advance from time to time out of the General Revenue Fund such sums of money as are required to pay for the printing and publishing or purchase of books and for the purchase of school supplies, but the aggregate amount of such advances at any time outstanding shall not exceed the sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Advances for
school books
and supplies

"(3) Moneys received from time to time from the sale of any books or supplies referred to in subsection (2) shall be paid to the Provincial Treasurer and credited in reduction of the amount of the advances outstanding under subsection (2).

Reduction of
advances

- Determining value of school books and supplies “(4) In computing the value of any book or article sold the Minister may take into account the cost of handling, storage, transportation, insurance, distribution and other costs, charges or expenses, including the expense of office assistance, that may be incurred from time to time in connection therewith.
- New section 9a
Advance for premiums on bonds “9a. (1) Upon the requisition of the Minister the Provincial Treasurer may also advance out of the General Revenue Fund such sums of money as are required to pay the premiums upon the bonds of treasurers of school districts or divisions pursuant to subsection (2) of section 194 of *The School Act, 1952*.
“(2) The aggregate amount of such sums of money so advanced outstanding at any one time shall not exceed two thousand dollars.
“(3) The amounts deducted by the Minister under the provisions of subsection (2) of section 194 of *The School Act, 1952*, from the legislative grant to each school district or division shall be repaid to the Provincial Treasurer and applied by the Provincial Treasurer in reduction of the advances outstanding under subsection (1).”.
- Section 11 amended **5.** Section 11 is amended by striking out subsections (2) and (3) and by substituting the following:
Proceeds of debentures “(2) The proceeds of all debentures sold by the Minister on behalf of a school district or division shall be paid to the school district or division that issued the debentures.
Expenses re sale of debentures “(3) A school district or division for which debentures have been sold by the Minister may be charged such reasonable or necessary expenses connected with the sale of the debentures as are determined by regulations which may be made by the Minister.”.
- Section 13 amended **6.** Section 13 is amended
(a) by striking out the words “schools and districts”, where they occur in clause (a), and by substituting the words “schools, districts and divisions”;
(b) by adding immediately after the words “*The School Act*”, where they occur in clause (b), the figures “, 1952”.
- Coming into force **7.** This Act comes into force on the first day of July, 1953.

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BILL

An Act to amend The Department
of Education Act

Received and read the

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Second time.....

Third time.....

HON. MR. AALBORG.
