

Bill No. 99 of 1954

A BILL TO AMEND THE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS
ACT, 1947

NOTE

This Bill amends *The Improvement Districts Act, 1947*, being chapter 9 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1947.

Section 13*a* provides that in cases where the Minister of Municipal Affairs has entered into an agreement with an approved hospital concerning the hospitalization of residents of the district, the Minister may fix a minimum hospital tax in an amount not exceeding eight dollars to be paid by every person assessed in the district. The amendment increases the ceiling on the minimum hospital tax to ten dollars instead of eight dollars.

A new section 43*a* is added and empowers the Minister of Municipal Affairs to enter into contracts for the supplying of public utility services to improvement districts. The services include water, gas, electricity and sewerage services.

This Bill comes into force upon assent.

J. W. RYAN,
Acting Legislative Counsel.

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

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No. 99 of 1954

An Act to amend The Improvement Districts Act, 1947.

(Assented to _____, 1954)

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

1. *The Improvement Districts Act, 1947*, being chapter 9 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1947, is hereby amended.

Section 13a
amended

2. Section 13a is amended by striking out the word "eight" and substituting the word "ten".

New
section 43a

3. The following new section is added immediately after section 43:

Public
utility
services

"43a. (1) The Minister with the approval of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners may enter into and execute any contract with a person, hereinafter called a "contractor" to supply light, power, gas, natural gas, water, or a sewerage system to persons resident in the improvement district or in any specified part or parts thereof for any period not exceeding ten years.

"(2) The Minister's order and the contract shall provide specifically that the improvement district will be under no liability or obligation to do any act or thing whatsoever in relation to the privileges granted thereby that will cause an increase in the uniform rate to be levied annually.

"(3) A contract under this section whether or not it contains an express provision as to renewal is subject to the conditions

"(a) that at the expiration of the term thereof, the contract may be renewed for a period not exceeding ten years and so from time to time with such alterations, if any, as may be agreed upon by the parties and approved by the Board of Public Utility Commissioners, and

"(b) that if either party refuses to renew the contract or the parties fail to agree as to the conditions of the renewal, then the Minister, subject to the approval of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners, may purchase all the rights of the contractor in all matters and things under the contract and in all apparatus and property used for the purposes thereof for such price and on such terms as are agreed upon with the contractor or, failing such agreement,

then for such price and on such terms as may be fixed and settled by the Board of Public Utility Commissioners on the application of either of the parties.

“(4) If

“(a) a contract referred to in subsection (3) is not renewed either on or before the expiration of the original term or of any renewal thereof by express agreement of the parties as aforesaid, or

“(b) the Minister does not complete the purchase of the subject matter thereof as provided in clause (b) of subsection (3),

the contract continues in full force and effect until such time as either party terminates it on six months' written notice given to the other with the approval of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners.”.

4. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it ^{Coming into} is assented to. _{force}

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An Act to amend The Improvement
Districts Act, 1947

Received and read the

First time

Second time

Third time

HON. MR. GERHART
