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BILL 85

A Bill to amend The Hospitals Act

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Explanatory Note

General. The purpose of this Bill is to increase the maximum amount for which a local authority is liable, for hospital treatment of an indigent person from \$600 to \$800 per year.

2. Subsections (4), (5) and (6) read as follows:

"(4) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, when an indigent sick person is admitted to an approved hospital no local authority is liable to pay the hospital in respect of the care or treatment of the indigent sick person more than six hundred dollars in any one year, counting from the date of admission.

"(5) Where the charges for the care or treatment of an indigent sick person exceed six hundred dollars in any one year, the local authority shall endeavour to collect from the indigent sick person the amount of the charges or the uncollected portion thereof, as the case may be, and out of any money collected from the indigent sick person shall pay to the hospital the amount of the balance due to the hospital before repaying to itself the amount paid by it to the hospital.

"(6) Where the charges incurred with respect to an indigent sick resident of a municipality exceed the sum of six hundred dollars in any one year, the council of the municipality may authorize the payment of and may pay to the hospital the amount so in excess or a portion thereof without the members of the council incurring a personal liability out of the payment."

3. Subsection (2) reads:

"(2) If no arrangements for the removal and care of the patient are made by the local authority within ten days after the receipt of the notice, the local authority, notwithstanding any provisions of this Act limiting the responsibility of the local authority to the sum of six hundred dollars, is responsible to the hospital for the hospital's public ward charges in connection with the patient."

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(Assented to _____, 1957)

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

1. *The Hospitals Act*, being chapter 147 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1955, is hereby amended.

2. Section 7, subsections (4), (5) and (6) are amended by striking out the word "six" and by substituting the word "eight".

3. Section 8, subsection (2) is amended by striking out the word "six" and by substituting the word "eight".

4. This Act comes into force on the day upon which the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1955, come into force.

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