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A Bill to amend The Municipal Hospitals Act

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Explanatory Note

2. This amendment changes the amounts of and basis for allowances to the provisional board. Subsection (3) of section 10 now reads:

“(3) The provisional board

“(a) may pay each of the members of the board for each meeting an allowance of twenty cents per mile from the home of that member to the place of meeting, and

“(b) may pay an allowance of not more than

“(i) ten dollars per day to the chairman of the board, and

“(ii) eight dollars per day for each provisional board member, for the time necessarily occupied in attending meetings of the board, but allowances shall not be paid to any member for more than twelve meetings in any one year.”.

3. See notes to clauses 4 and 5 and amendment contained in clause 7. Subsection (2) of section 55 reads:

“(2) The persons entitled to vote at a meeting or at a poll are those persons who subscribe to either of the declarations set out in Form D in the Schedule.”.

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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 Municipal Hospitals Act*, being chapter 216 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1955, is hereby amended.

2. Section 10 is amended by striking out subsection (3) and by substituting the following:

“(3) The provisional board may pay each of its members for each meeting of the board

“(a) a travelling allowance of twelve cents for each mile necessarily travelled to attend a meeting, and

“(b) a subsistence allowance not exceeding ten dollars for each day necessarily occupied in attending a meeting.

“(4) No travelling or subsistence allowance shall be paid to any member in respect of any board meetings in excess of twelve in any one year unless the extra meetings are held with the approval of the Minister.

“(5) The provisional board may pay to any of its members

“(a) for attending conventions of the Associated Hospitals of Alberta an amount equal to the return railway fare from the railway station nearest to his place of residence to the point at which the convention is to be held and a subsistence allowance of ten dollars per day, and

“(b) for attending regional hospital conventions, twelve cents for each car mile necessarily and actually driven and a subsistence allowance of ten dollars per day.”.

3. Section 55, subsection (2) is amended by striking out the words “either of”.

4. This amendment will enlarge the franchise for the election of members of hospital boards, which is now confined to rate-payers and will permit the use of municipal voters' lists in compiling the hospital voters' list, as the qualifications are similar. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 60 read:

"60. (1) Where a poll is required in a municipality or part thereof for a member of the board, the secretary-treasurer or clerk of the municipality shall immediately after the day fixed for nomination of candidates prepare a voters' list of all persons, who are ratepayers as defined by this Act.

.....
"(3) The persons entitled to vote for a member of the board are

"(a) those persons whose names are upon the hospital voters' list, and

"(b) those persons who on the day of the poll subscribe to either of the declarations set out in Form D in the Schedule."

5. See note to preceding clause. Subsection (4) of section 63 presently reads:

"(4) Where a ward has been established in a municipal district or part thereof pursuant to the provisions of subsection (1), the persons entitled to vote at an election of a member to represent the ward are those persons

"(a) whose names are on the hospital voters' list with respect to property situate in the ward, or

"(b) who on the day of the poll subscribe to either of the declarations in Form D in the Schedule with respect to property situated in the ward."

6. This amendment changes the amounts of and basis for allowances to the board of a hospital district. Section 80 presently reads:

"80. (1) After ratification of a hospital scheme, the board may pay to each member for each meeting an allowance of

"(a) twenty cents per mile for the distance from that member's home to the place of meeting, and

"(b) not more than ten dollars per day for the hospital board chairman and eight dollars per day for each board member for the time necessarily occupied in attending meetings of the board, or the convention of the hospital association.

"(2) No allowance shall be paid to a member in respect of any meetings in excess of twelve in any one year unless the meetings are held with the approval of the Minister."

7. Section 83 (1) to (3) presently reads:

"83. (1) The auditor

"(a) shall audit and report upon the books and accounts affecting the hospital district or relating to the business and affairs of the district,

4. Section 60 is amended

- (a) as to subsection (1) by striking out the words "ratepayers as defined by this Act" and by substituting the words "who are eligible to vote for the election of councillors of the municipality and are resident in the ward from which the member of the board is to be elected.",
- (b) as to subsection (3), clause (b) by striking out the words "either of".

5. Section 63 is amended by striking out subsection (4).

6. Section 80 is amended

- (a) by striking out subsection (1) and by substituting the following:
 - "**80.** (1) After ratification of a hospital scheme, the board may pay to each member for each meeting of the board
 - "(a) a travelling allowance of twelve cents for each mile necessarily travelled to attend a meeting, and
 - "(b) a subsistence allowance not exceeding ten dollars for each day necessarily occupied in attending a meeting",
- (b) as to subsection (2) by adding after the word "No" the words "travelling or subsistence",
- (c) by adding immediately after subsection (2) the following:
 - "(3) The board may pay to any of its members
 - "(a) for attending conventions of the Associated Hospitals of Alberta an amount equal to the return railway fare from the railway station nearest to his place of residence to the point at which the convention is to be held and a subsistence allowance of ten dollars per day, and
 - "(b) for attending regional hospital conventions twelve cents for each car mile necessarily and actually driven and a subsistence allowance of ten dollars per day."

7. Section 83 is amended

- (a) by striking out subsections (1), (2) and (3) and by substituting the following:

“(b) after the examination of each account, voucher, receipt or paid debenture, shall stamp or write thereon in indelible letters the word “Audited” and initial the same, and

“(c) shall verify the cash balance as shown by the secretary-treasurer's books by counting the cash.

“(2) The auditor shall not in any case certify to the correctness of the books until he has checked the deposits entered in the cash book with the deposits shown in the bank book.

“(3) The auditor shall comply with regulations made pursuant to this Act.”.

This amendment will enable the auditor to use standard auditing methods in auditing the records of a hospital district.

8. This amendment will have the effect of removing from the forms references to persons who would vote not as ratepayers but as the spouse or relative thereof, and will make proprietary electors within the meaning of the municipal Acts the eligible voters upon the establishment of a hospital scheme. The words removed read:

“Or,—

“The undersigned solemnly affirms that he or she is the husband or wife or father or mother or son or daughter of....., who lives within the.....Hospital District, and is liable to pay municipal or improvement district taxes in respect of property therein; and that he or she is of the full age of twenty-one years and lives with the said (wife, husband, etc., respectively), and that he has not before voted at the taking of this poll.”.

9. See note to clause 3.

“83. (1) At least once in each year, the auditor shall conduct a general review of the accounting procedures of the hospital district and make such tests of the accounting and other records of the district as he considers necessary to be able to certify that the books and accounts of the hospital district are properly kept in accordance with standard hospital accounting practice.”,

(b) by renumbering subsections (4) to (8) as subsections (2) to (6) respectively.

8. Forms A, B and C in the Schedule are amended by striking out all the words following paragraph 3 in each form.

9. Form D in the Schedule is struck out and the following form substituted:

“FORM D
“(Sections 55 and 60)

“Those entitled to vote for the election of Hospital Board Members.

“The Hospital District.

“Dated thisday of..... 19.....

“The undersigned solemnly affirms:

- “1. That he is of the full age of 21 years.**
- “2. That he is a resident of the Province of Alberta and is now residing in the Ward..... of Municipal Hospital District in which a board member is to be elected.**
- “3. That he has not voted before at the taking of this poll.”.**

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

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