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BILL 35

A Bill to amend The Hospitalization and Treatment Services Act

HON. DR. ROSS

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Explanatory Note

General. The purpose of this amendment is to make the benefits payable under The Hospitalization and Treatment Services Act more flexible. It happens frequently that the amounts payable under other Acts change by reason of increased or changed benefits under the Canada Acts governing contributions or payments thereunder by the Government of Canada. This results in annual amendments to this Act, often with retroactive provisions. The amendment will remove certain restrictions on payments under this Act so that the basis of payment may be dealt with by the Minister rather than by a specific section in the Act.

2. Section 3 presently reads:

"3. The Minister may provide for part or all of the costs of necessary hospitalization and treatment services for a person and his dependants residing in the Province if such person

"(a) is in receipt of

"(1) assistance granted by the Province of Alberta under The Old Age Assistance Act to persons who resided in the Province for the greater portion of the three years immediately preceding the date such assistance was awarded,

"(ii) an allowance under The Mothers' Allowance Act,

"(iii) an allowance under The Supplementary Allowances Act, or "(iv) a pension under The Widows' Pensions Act,

"and

"(b) is not, is not, for the purposes of health and welfare services, the re-sponsibility of the Government of Canada.".

3. Section 5 presently reads:

"5. The Minister may provide for part or all of the costs of necessary hospitalization and treatment services for a person

"(a) who has resided in the Province for the greater portion of the three years immediately preceding the date he was awarded a pension under

"(i) the Old Age Pensions Act (Canada),

- "(ii) the Old Age Security Act (Canada) if he has not been in receipt of a pension under the Old Age Pensions Act (Canada) prior to the first day of January, 1952,
- ''(iii) The Old Age Assistance Act, or
- "(iv) The Blind Persons Act,

"(b) who is

- "(i) unmarried and whose income inclusive of the pension, is not more than one thousand dollars a year, or
- "(ii) married and living with his spouse, and the total income, in-clusive of the pension, of the recipient and his spouse, is not more than fifteen hundred dollars a year,

"and

"(c) who is not for the purposes of health and welfare services, the responsibility of the Government of Canada.".

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(Assented to , 1958)

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

1. The Hospitalization and Treatment Services Act, being chapter 146 of The Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1955, is hereby amended.

- 2. Section 3, clause (a) is amended
 - (a) by striking out the word "or" where it occurs at the end of subclause (iii),
 - (b) by striking out the word "and" where it occurs after subclause (iv),
 - (c) by adding immediately after subclause (iv) the following subclauses:
 - "(v) an allowance under The Blind Persons Act,
 - "(vi) an allowance under The Disabled Persons Act, or
 - "(vii) a pension under The Disabled Persons Pensions Act, "and".
- 3. Section 5 is repealed.

4. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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