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## **BILL 4**

A Bill to Incorporate Farmers' Union of Alberta

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MR. RUSTE

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## **Explanatory Note**

The purpose of this Bill is set out in the Preamble thereto.

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(Assented to , 1959)

**W**HEREAS certain residents of the Province of Alberta have heretofore associated themselves as members of Farmers' Union of Alberta, a society incorporated under and by virtue of the provisions of *The Societies Act* of the Province of Alberta, with the object of fostering, encouraging and advancing the interests of farmers in the said province, and

Preamble

Whereas the said society by its President and Secretary, have prayed that its members be incorporated under the name of "Farmers' Union of Alberta" with the objects, powers and purposes in said Petition set forth, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of said Petition;

Therefore Her Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Farmers Union of Alberta Act*."

Short title

2. The members of the said society, with such others as hereafter become members of the corporation hereby incorporated, shall be and are hereby constituted and declared to be a body corporate and politic under the name of "Farmers' Union of Alberta", and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal for and with the following objects, powers and purposes, namely:

Incorporation and powers

- (a) to advance on all possible occasions the interests of farmers and farmers' co-operative organizations;
- (b) to preserve the family type farm, the foundation of democracy and the basis of a true rural culture;
- (c) to co-ordinate the efforts of the various branches of agriculture for the purpose of promoting their common interest through collective action;
- (d) to promote and secure necessary and just legislation;
- (e) to achieve for agriculture its fair share of national income;
- (f) to contribute to a high standard of living for all citizens by promoting the highest production over a long term period, commensurate with sound agricultural practice;



- (g) to promote social intercourse, a higher standard of community life, and the study of economic and social questions relating to agricultural and democratic citizenship;
- (h) to promote the fullest possible use of credit unions;
- (i) to carry on the business of a general insurance agency and the business of insurance brokers or insurance agents in all its branches, and to apply for, hold and enjoy any permit or licence required by any law of Canada or of the Province of Alberta in relation thereto.

**3.** The corporation shall have power from time to time and at all times to purchase, acquire, hold, possess, lease and enjoy any land and personal property within the Province of Alberta necessary for the purpose of the corporation and from time to time to dispose of the same or any part thereof by sale, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise as the corporation may deem proper or advisable.

Land and  
personal  
property

**4.** The corporation may sue or be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with in its said corporate name in any matter, action or cause, whatever.

Contracts

**5.** The corporation shall have the power from time to time to invest all moneys of or in the possession of the corporation arising from or connected with its business or objects or any of them, in such securities, real or personal, as by any law or statute in force in the province trustees may lawfully make investments in.

Investments

**6.** The said corporation may for its purposes or in connection with its business or objects or any of them from time to time borrow money in such amounts at such rates of interest and on such terms as may be deemed advisable and for this or for any other purpose connected with the business or objects of the corporation may make, enter into and execute all such deeds, mortgages, agreements or instruments as may be deemed requisite or necessary, under the seal of the corporation and signed by such officers as may be designated by the by-laws or rules of the corporation.

Borrowing

**7.** The corporation shall have power to draw, make, accept and endorse all bills of exchange, cheques and promissory notes deemed necessary for the purposes of the corporation under the hands of such officers as may be designated by the by-laws or rules of the corporation, and it shall not be necessary to affix the corporation's seal to any such bill, note or cheque, but nothing herein contained shall authorize the said corporation to issue bills or notes payable to bearer, or intended to be circulated as money or as bills or notes of a bank.

Negotiable  
instruments



**8.** It shall be lawful for the corporation to make by-laws, <sup>By-laws</sup> rules, orders and regulations for the government and proper administration of the property, affairs, business and interests of the corporation, and for the qualification, admission, election, appointment, retirement, removal or dismissal of its members, directors, officers, agents and employees and generally for the government and management of the affairs of the corporation and the carrying out of its objects and to repeal, alter and amend the same from time to time.

**9.** The corporation shall have power to distribute its <sup>Profits</sup> profits or any part thereof among its members, and for that purpose, to declare such dividends as may be from time to time provided by the by-laws, rules or regulations of the corporation.

**10.** The corporation shall have power to carry on any <sup>Other business</sup> other business and to do all such other things which may seem to the corporation incidental to and capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with its business or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value of or render profitable any of the corporation's property or rights.

**11.** Until other directors and officers have been elected or appointed pursuant to the by-laws, rules or regulations of the corporation the following directors and officers of the said society shall be and continue to be the directors and officers of the corporation: <sup>Directors and officers</sup>

#### *Directors*

Uri Powell, Sexsmith, Alberta; Howard Hibbard, Nampa, Alberta; Tom Foster, Dapp, Alberta; Paul Babey, Beavertown, Alberta; Oscar Hittinger, Morinville, Alberta; S. A. Sanford, Box 58, Vegreville, Alberta; Ralph Wilson, Vermilion, Alberta; W. Hansel, Gadsby, Alberta; D. G. Whitney, R.R. No. 4, Lacombe, Alberta; L. Hilton, Strathmore, Alberta; J. A. Cameron, Youngstown, Alberta; Geo. Loree, Parkland, Alberta; A. H. Anderson, Box 327, Medicine Hat, Alberta; Wayne Anderson, Bow Island, Alberta; Dean C. Lien, Warner, Alberta; Alex McCalla, 9743 89th Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta; Pansy Molen, Edmonton, Alberta.

#### *Officers*

Ed C. Nelson, R.R. No. 2, Brightview, Alberta; Clare Anderson, Freedom, Alberta, Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite, R.R. No. 4, Red Deer, Alberta; Henry Young, Millet, Alberta; Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Box 99, Wainwright, Alberta; A. B. Wood, Dewberry, Alberta.

**12.** All members of the said society in good standing at the time of the coming into force of this Act, shall, *ipso facto*, <sup>Membership</sup> become and be members of the corporation.





**13.** (1) Until other by-laws, rules and regulations have been passed by the corporation and insofar as they shall not be repealed or amended the by-laws, rules and regulations of the said society shall be and remain the by-laws, rules and regulations of the corporation. By-laws

(2) In particular the by-laws, rules and regulations of the society relating to the formation of locals, the right of locals to elect a delegate or delegates to attend an annual or other meeting of the corporation and to exercise all voting rights thereat shall be and remain in full force and effect until changed by extraordinary resolution of the corporation.

**14.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 13 or the provisions of the by-laws of the said society, it is hereby provided that the term "extraordinary resolution" in the by-laws of the corporation shall henceforth mean a resolution which has been passed by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the delegates of the corporation entitled to vote as are present in person at an annual convention of which not less than ten days' notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution has been duly given. "extra-ordinary resolution"

**15.** The by-laws of the corporation and any amendments thereto, whether made before or after the date on which this Act comes into effect, shall bind the corporation and the members thereof, to the same extent as if they respectively had been signed and sealed by each member and contained covenants on the part of each member, his heirs, executors and administrators, to observe all the provisions of the said by-laws, subject to the provisions of this Act. Existing by-laws

**16.** No member of the corporation, unless he shall otherwise contract with or on behalf of or in the interest of the corporation, shall be in any way liable, accountable or chargeable for any debt, claim or demand, due or payable by, or for any act or default of, the said corporation, beyond any entrance or other fees or other dues remaining unpaid by any member to the corporation or for any other indebtedness of such member to the corporation. Liability of member

**17.** The head office of the corporation shall be at the City of Edmonton, or at such other place in the Province as the corporation may decide. Head office

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