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# **BILL 114**

A Bill to amend The Gas Utilities Act

HON. MR. MANNING

Printed by L. S. WALL, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, Edmonton, Alberta, 1962 **Explanatory Note** 

2. Section 2, clause (g) presently reads: "(g) "oil" means crude oil and all other hydrocarbons regardless of gravity, that are or can be recovered in liquid form from a pool by ordinary production methods;".

**3.** New sections are added to The Gas Utilities Act establishing a Gas Utilities Board to handle certain applications made to either the Public Utilities Board or the Oil and Gas Conservation Board that involve matters wholly or partly within the jurisdiction of the other and which affect the public interest.

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#### (Assented to , 1962)

**H**<sup>ER</sup> MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

**1.** The Gas Utilities Act, being chapter 37 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1960, is hereby amended.

**2.** Section 2, clause (g) is amended by striking out the words "or can be".

**3.** The following heading and sections are added after section 49:

#### (f) Gas Utilities Board

**49***a***.** (1) There is hereby constituted a board to be styled the "Gas Utilities Board" which shall be composed of

- (a) the chairman of the Public Utilities Board, or a member thereof to be nominated from time to time by the chairman of that board,
- (b) the chairman of the Oil and Gas Conservation Board, or a member thereof to be nominated from time to time by the chairman of that board, and
- (c) one other member to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

(2) The Gas Utilities Board shall select a chairman from among its members.

(3) Subsection (4) of section 3 and sections 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 of *The Public Utilities Board Act* apply to Gas Utilities Board as if the references to the Board therein were references to the Gas Utilities Board.

(4) For the purpose of carrying out its functions the Gas Utilities Board has all the powers, rights and privileges of the Public Utilities Board and of the Oil and Gas Conservation Board.

**49**b. (1) Where the Public Utilities Board or the Oil and Gas Conservation Board is of the opinion that any application or matter before it

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- (a) may affect directly or indirectly the present or future supply of gas for domestic, commercial or industrial purposes within the Province, or the price or conditions under which such gas is supplied, or
- (b) having regard to the availability of any other source or supply of gas, to the requirements of users of gas in any part of the Province and to any other circumstances, may affect a public interest,

and may involve or affect a matter that is wholly or partly within the jurisdiction of the other board, it may of its own motion or on request of any person who may be affected, refer the application or matter to the Gas Utilities Board and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act or *The Oil and Gas Conservation Act*, the Gas Utilities Board may grant or refuse the application or make such disposition of the application or matter as it deems proper.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to an application or matter coming under The Gas Resources Preservation Act, 1956.

(3) In exercising its functions under subsection (1), the Gas Utilities Board

- (a) may make any order that the Public Utilities Board or the Oil and Gas Conservation Board may make under this Act or *The Oil and Gas Conservation Act*, and
- (b) may make such further order and impose such additional conditions with respect to the application or matter as it considers necessary in the public interest.

**49***c*. Where an application for a permit is made under section 5 of *The Pipe Line Act*, *1958*, the Oil and Gas Conservation Board may refer the application to the Gas Utilities Board and the Gas Utilities Board may consider the application as it affects the public interest and may recommend to the Minister of Mines and Minerals that the permit be granted or refused.

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

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