

No. 118

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13 Elizabeth II

BILL 118

A Bill to amend The Agricultural Service Board Act

HON. MR. STROM

Explanatory Note

1. This Bill amends chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes. Its main purpose is to provide for the establishment of an agricultural committee of a county council to handle the duties of the council relating to agriculture and to act as the Agricultural Service Board of the county.

2. Section 3, subsections (1), (4) (b) and (5) (b) presently read:

3. (1) A council may constitute an advisory board to be known as "The Agricultural Service Board" consisting of three or five members who hold office for a period of one year.

(4) When the board constituted by the council consists of three members,
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(b) one shall be a ratepayer of the municipal district or county, and

(5) When the board consists of five members
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(b) two shall be ratepayers of the municipal district or county, and

3. Agricultural committee of the council is the agricultural service board of a county.

4. Section 8 presently reads:

8. The council of each municipal district, or the Minister of Municipal Affairs in the case of improvement districts, may out of the funds of the municipality or of the improvement district, as the case may be, pay, on the same basis as members of a council are paid under The Municipal District Act, the expenses incurred by the members of the board when engaged on official business.

5. 9a. An agricultural committee is to be established in a county similar to the municipal and school committees.

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(Assented to _____, 1965)

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

1. *The Agricultural Service Board Act* is hereby amended.

2. Section 3 is amended

- (a) as to subsection (1) by striking out the words "A council" and by substituting the words "The council of a municipal district",
- (b) as to subsection (4), clause (b) by striking out the words "or county",
- (c) as to subsection (5), clause (b) by striking out the words "or county".

3. The following section is added after section 4:

4a. In a county, the agricultural committee of the county council is the agricultural service board of the county.

4. Section 8 is amended by adding after the words "each municipal district" the words "and county".

5. The following sections are added after section 9:

9a. (1) At its first meeting in each year a county council shall appoint an agricultural committee which shall consist of not less than three members of the council.

(2) An agricultural committee at its first meeting in each year shall elect a chairman from among its number.

(3) An agricultural committee has and shall exercise on behalf of the county council all the duties and powers that are conferred upon or exercised by a council, under this or any other Act, with respect to agricultural matters, except the powers

- (a) to borrow money,
- (b) to pass a by-law,

9b. A county council may appoint advisory committees in agricultural matters.

9c. Duties of district agriculturist in a county.

6. Section 10, subsection (2), clause (a) and subsection (3) presently read:

- (2) The agreement referred to in subsection (1), may provide for
 - (a) the payment of a portion of the cost of supervision and of the salary of the supervisor appointed on the recommendation of the board,
- (3) A council or the Minister of Municipal Affairs may enter into and carry into effect the terms of such an agreement as is mentioned in subsection (1) and make such payments as may be provided for by the agreement, subject in the case of a municipal district to section 252 of The Municipal District Act.

- (c) to do such other things as may by by-law be reserved from time to time to the county council, and
 - (d) to do such other things as may be specified from time to time by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- (4) An agricultural committee may exercise or perform its powers and duties in like manner and with the same effect as if the powers were exercised or the duties were performed by the county council.
- (5) Subject to the limitations and reservations mentioned in subsection (3), the chairman of an agricultural committee may exercise or perform the rights, duties, privileges and powers of the reeve of a county council, in like manner and with the same effect as if the same were exercised or performed by the reeve of the county council.
- (6) The agricultural committee shall submit estimates to the county council in each year in the same manner and at the same time estimates are submitted by the other committees of the council.

9b. (1) The council of a county may appoint one or more advisory committees with respect to any matter related to agriculture.

(2) An advisory committee appointed under this section shall act in an advisory capacity to the agricultural committee of the county and the Minister.

9c. (1) In a county, the district agriculturist shall

- (a) advise the agricultural committee concerning the agricultural problems and needs of the county,
- (b) assist the agricultural committee in the discharge of its duties, and
- (c) advise and guide the agricultural fieldman of the county in all technical matters in the discharge of his duties relating to agriculture.

(2) In the exercise of his duties, the district agriculturist may attend all meetings of the county council and the agricultural committee.

(3) In a county, the district agriculturist shall exercise the functions, duties and powers that under sections 13, 14 and 17 are exercised in other municipalities by the representative of the Department on a board.

6. Section 10 is amended

- (a) as to subsection (2), clause (a) by striking out the word "supervisor" and by substituting the words "agricultural fieldman",
- (b) as to subsection (3) by adding after the words "a municipal district" the words "or county".

7. Section 11 presently reads:

11. (1) The council or the Minister of Municipal Affairs, as the case may be, upon the recommendation of the board shall appoint a qualified field supervisor.

(2) The field supervisor so appointed shall be employed full time and shall supervise and direct in conjunction with the representative of the Department such programs and policies as may be mutually agreed upon between the Minister and the council or Minister of Municipal Affairs, and the field supervisor is ex officio an additional member of the board.

8. Name of the field supervisor is changed.

9. Commencement of Act.

7. Section 11 is struck out and the following is substituted:

11. (1) The council, or the Minister of Municipal Affairs, as the case may be, shall appoint a qualified person as agricultural fieldman for the municipality.

(2) The agricultural fieldman shall be employed on a full-time basis.

(3) The agricultural fieldman shall act as the administrative officer of the municipality

(a) in carrying out the functions, duties and powers of the municipality under any statute relating to agriculture, and

(b) in implementing projects respecting agriculture agreed upon between the council and the Department.

(4) An agricultural fieldman is, in the municipality employing him,

(a) the municipal inspector under *The Noxious Weeds Act*,

(b) the officer of the municipality under *The Agricultural Pests Act, 1960*, and

(c) the soil conservation officer of the municipality under *The Soil Conservation Act*.

8. The words "field supervisor" wherever they occur in sections 13, 14 and 17 are struck out and the words "agricultural fieldman" are substituted.

9. This Act comes into force on the first day of June, 1965.

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