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

1. The Police Act is hereby amended.

2. Part 1A is repealed.

3. The following section is added after section 19:

19*a*. The council of a municipality may, in such cases and to such extent as it thinks fit, pay any damages or costs awarded against a member of the police force maintained by them or any special constable in proceedings for a tort committed by him, any costs incurred and not recovered by him in any such proceedings, and any sum required in connection with the settlement of any claim that has or might have given rise to such proceedings.

4. Sections 24 and 25 are struck out and the following sections are substituted:

24. No member of a municipal police force or of a bargaining committee representing members of a municipal police force in a unit or a police association or the counsel permitted under section 25 shall remain or become a member of a trade union or of an organization that is affiliated, directly or indirectly with a trade union.

25. (1) When requested in writing by a majority of the members of the municipal police force in a unit or by a police association, the council of the municipality or where there is a Board of Police Commissioners, the Board, shall bargain in good faith with a bargaining committee of the members of the municipal police force in the unit or of the police association for the purpose of defining, determining and providing for the remuneration and working conditions of the members of the municipal police force in the unit.

(2) Where 50 per cent or more of the members of the municipal police force in the unit belong to a police association, a request under subsection (1)

Explanatory Notes

1. This Bill amends chapter 236 of the Revised Statutes.

2. Part 1A providing for the Alberta Municipal Police is repealed.

3. Municipalities authorized to pay judgments against municipal policemen.

4. The wording of sections 24 and 25 is revised. Subsections (4) and (5) and (7) of section 25 are new.

- (a) may be made by the association when elected by the members of the municipal police force in a unit comprised of such members who hold the rank of inspector or a higher rank, excluding the chief constable, or
- (b) shall be made by the association when the members of the municipal police force in the unit hold a rank below that of inspector.

(3) When requested in writing by the council of the municipality or where there is a Board of Police Commissioners, the Board, a bargaining committee of the members of the municipal police force in a unit or a bargaining committee of the police association, as the case may be, shall bargain in good faith with the council of the municipality or the Board of Police Commissioners for the purpose of defining, determining and providing for the remuneration and working conditions of the members of the municipal police force in the unit.

(4) Where a request is made under subsection (1) or (3), the parties to the notice shall meet within a period not exceeding 60 days for the purpose of bargaining in good faith.

(5) Where a request is made under subsection (1) or (3), the council of the municipality or the Board of Police Commissioners may appoint a committee comprised of municipal officers, to bargain on its behalf.

(6) In every case the members of a bargaining committee bargaining on behalf of members of a police force shall be members of the municipal police force in the unit.

(7) Notwithstanding subsection (6), at all meetings held for the purpose of bargaining

- (a) the bargaining committee representing the members of the municipal police force or the police association, and
- (b) the council of the municipality or the Board of Police Commissioners or the committee appointed under subsection (5),

may be accompanied by not more than one person as legal or other counsel who may be added as a member of the respective committee.

5. Section 41 is repealed.

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

5. Section 41 relates to Part 1A and is repealed accordingly.

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