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#### THE TEMPORARY UNEMPLOYMENT MEASURES ACT

#### (Assented to , 1971)

**LI**ER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

**1.** Subject to the appropriation of monies by the Legislature, the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall, immediately take all such measures as may be appropriate to provide jobs, accelerate the economy, and reduce unemployment in the Province of Alberta and, without derogating from the generality of the foregoing, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may:

- (a) accelerate the start of construction and the rate of construction of capital works projects planned by any and all departments of Government and for which monies have been appropriated;
- (b) accelerate the start of construction and the rate of construction of capital works projects planned by any and all Crown Corporations or Agencies of the Government of Alberta and for which monies have been appropriated;
- (c) implement a provincial parks upgrading, maintenance and capital construction program;
- (d) provide incentive grants or loans to unemployed persons in order that they may enroll in re-training and skill upgrading courses at selected Alberta educational institutions;
- (e) provide incentives to private business and industry to accelerate the construction of their planned capital construction projects;
- (f) accelerate all road construction, improvement and upgrading programs planned or proposed by the Department of Highways and Transport;
- (g) to the extent feasible, cause all Departments, Crown Corporations and Agencies to advance their anticipated stockpiling of road building, construction and other materials;
- (h) develop new labour-intensive building and construction projects and programs;

#### **Explanatory Notes**

The purpose of this Bill is:

1. To underline the urgent need for immediate government action, at the provincial level, to alleviate unemployment in Alberta.

2. To set forth ten specific suggestions which, if implemented now, could provide thousands of job-opportunities for Albertans.

- (i) create joint municipal-provincial projects and programs to reduce the number of unemployed;
- (j) direct the Alberta Bureau of Statistics to forthwith establish a special "unemployment statistic branch" to compile needed information on numbers of unemployed, job categories of unemployed and job potentials.

2. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to and expires on September 30, 1971.