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**The Rural Telephones Act**

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## THE RURAL TELEPHONES ACT

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1971)

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

**1.** (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall instruct A.G.T. to set rural boundaries as to toll free areas in consultation with a committee in each area composed of:

- (a) Rural Municipal Council or County Council or I.D. Advisory Council;
- (b) School Division Council or County Council;
- (c) Hospital Boards.

(2) Public meetings shall be held in each of the areas so designated to hear the views of the people involved.

**2.** The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make such regulations as may be required for the purposes of this Act.

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

## **Explanatory Notes**

At present the boundaries do not take into consideration municipal boundaries, school, hospital or market centres. This Act would allow the people in the area to decide what exchange or area they wanted to be in.

Regulations would be required setting up standards such as co-terminus boundaries, maximum distances and effective service to people. At present none of these are taken into consideration and it would appear that lines are drawn on maps by engineers without regard to these very basic tenets.