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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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An Act to amend The Farmers' Union of Alberta Act

MR. MULLER

First Reading

Second Reading

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE FARMERS' UNION OF ALBERTA ACT

(Assented to _____, 1971)

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

1959,
c.98

1. *The Farmers' Union of Alberta Act is hereby amended.*

Amends
S.2

2. *Section 2 is amended by*

(a) *striking out the words "Farmers' Union of Alberta" and by substituting the word "Unifarm",*

(b) *by striking out clauses (a) to (i) and substituting the following:*

(a) *To advance on all possible occasions, the interest of farmers, farmers' co-operative organizations and specialized producer commodity groups;*

(b) *To preserve and encourage economic family farm units;*

(c) *To co-ordinate and promote the interest and efforts of the various types of agriculture through collective action;*

(d) *To persistently study and protect the interests of the membership in relation to existing legislation and to legislation under consideration by Provincial and Federal Government and to assist in formulating and promoting provincial and national policies for agriculture;*

(e) *To achieve farm commodity prices which will ensure to agriculture its fair share of the national income (in relation to production and investment);*

(f) *To contribute to a high standard of living for all citizens by encouraging adequate production over a long-time period, commensurate with sound agricultural practices;*

Explanatory Notes

Section 2 as presently worded:

"2. The members of the said society, with such others as hereafter become members of the corporation hereby incorporated, shall be and are hereby constituted and declared to be a body corporate and politic under the name of "Farmers' Union of Alberta", and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal for and with the following objects, powers and purposes, namely:

- (a) to advance on all possible occasions the interests of farmers and farmers' co-operative organizations;
- (b) to preserve the family type farm, the foundation of democracy and the basis of a true rural culture;
- (c) to co-ordinate the efforts of the various branches of agriculture for the purpose of promoting their common interest through collective action;
- (d) to promote and secure necessary and just legislation;
- (e) to achieve for agriculture its fair share of national income;
- (f) to contribute to a high standard of living for all citizens by promoting the highest production over a long term period, commensurate with sound agricultural practice;
- (g) to promote social intercourse, a higher standard of community life, and the study of economic and social questions relating to agricultural and democratic citizenship;
- (h) to promote the fullest possible use of credit unions;
- (i) to carry on the business of a general insurance agency and the business of insurance brokers or insurance agents in all its branches, and to apply for, hold and enjoy any permit or license required by any law of Canada or of the Province of Alberta in relation thereto."

The effect of the Amendment

The effect of the proposed amendment is to change the name of the corporation to "Unifarm" and to extend and enlarge the objects and purposes of the corporation.

- (g) To promote a high standard of community life through the study of economic and social questions related to agriculture and democratic citizenship;
- (h) To promote the fullest possible participation and use of co-operatives and credit unions;
- (i) To provide members with as many direct services related to the business of farming as is practical;
- (j) To assist member organizations in the preparation of statements, briefs or other materials dealing with their problems and present same jointly with the member organizations;
- (k) To publish such pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, or such other literature as may be deemed advisable;
- (l) To carry out an active public relations program with all sectors of society;
- (m) To co-operate with similar bodies in other provinces, and when desirable, to co-ordinate efforts with such bodies in serving the above purpose;
- (n) To encourage the active participation and involvement of women and youth on all possible occasions.

Coming
into force

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

