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The Health Unit Amendment Act, 1973

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(Assented to

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

- 1. The Health Unit Act is hereby amended.
- 2. Section 2 is amended
- (a) as to clause (c), subclause (iii), by striking out the word "colony" and by substituting therefor the word "settlement", and
- (b) as to clause (h), by striking out the word "colony" and by substituting therefor the word "settlement".
- 3. Section 3 is amended by striking out subsections (1) and (2) and substituting therefor the following:
- 3. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the Lieutenant Governor in Council may by order constitute any area as a health unit or as part of a health unit.
- (2) A health unit shall not be constituted in whole or in part
 - (a) within the boundaries of a city that has a population exceeding 100,000, or
 - (b) within a municipality unless the council of the municipality by resolution so requests, or
 - (c) within a national park unless the Government of Canada so requests.
 - 4. The following section is added after section 5:
- **5.1** (1) The board is a corporation with the name given to the health unit in the order by which the health unit was constituted.
- (2) The board, in addition to the powers given to it by section 14 of The Interpretation Act, has the power
 - (a) to receive, administer and spend funds received by it,

Explanatory Notes

- 1. This Bill will amend chapter 168 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970.
- ${\bf 2.}$ This amendment will replace the term "Metis colony" with the term "Metis settlement".
 - 3. Section 3, subsections (1) and (2) read:
 - 3. (1) A municipality that wishes to be included in whole or in part within a health unit may pass a resolution to that effect and submit it to the Minister.
 - (2) Upon the recommendation of the Minister, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may constitute any area a health unit.

4. This section will establish boards which administer health units as corporations and it will set forth the powers of the corporation.

- (b) with the approval of the Minister, to acquire and alienate in any manner real property or any interest therein, and
- (c) to invest in any manner approved by the Minister any funds not required for immediate use.
- 5. Section 9 is amended by striking out clause (d) and by substituting therefor the following clause:
 - (d) appoint as a member of the staff a medical officer for the unit,
 - 6. Section 11 is struck out.
- 7. Section 13 is struck out and the following section is substituted therefor:
- 13. Each member of the staff shall be paid a salary as prescribed by the board.
 - 8. Section 19 and the heading preceding it are struck out.
- 9. Section 21 is struck out and the following substituted therefor:
- 21. Where an Indian reserve is surrounded by or adjacent to a health unit, the board may, with the approval of the Minister, enter into an agreement with the Government of Canada for the purpose of extending the services of the health unit to persons residing within the boundaries of the Indian reserve.
- 10. Section 24, subsection (2) is amended by striking out clause (a) and by substituting therefor the following:
 - (a) governing the handling of funds by boards,
- 11. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

5. Section 9(1)(d) presently reads:

- 9. (1) The Board shall
- (d) appoint a medical officer for the unit,

6. Section 11 presently reads:

11. A board may not enter into a lease of office accommodation for a term of more than three years unless the lease provides that it may be terminated at any time by either party upon not more than one year's notice to the other.

7. Section 13 presently reads:

- 13. (1) Each member of the staff may be paid a salary in accordance with the schedule recommended from time to time by the salary survey committee of the Provincial Government and approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- (2) Where a board pays salaries in excess of those approved under subsection (1), the excess salaries shall not be considered in calculating the statutory deductions to be made under The Public Service Pension Act.
- 8. The establishment of health units in national parks is provided for in the amendment to section 3.
- **9.** This amendment will provide for providing health services to persons on Indian reserves.
- 10. Section 24, subsection (2) presently provides for making regulations with respect to collecting of contributions from municipalities and the collection of outstanding accounts.