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### **THE LIE DETECTOR ACT**

*(Assented to , 1974)*

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

**1.** In this Act, "lie detector" means an instrument for making a graphic or visual gauge or record of the changes in blood pressure, pulse, respiration rate or the stress of someone being questioned, or as under suspicion of guilt, and sometimes referred to as a "polygraph" or "psychological stress evaluator".

**2.** No person shall operate a lie detector unless

- (a) that person is a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or of a municipal police force and operates the lie detector in the course of his duties as a police officer, or
- (b) that person is authorized in writing to do so by the Attorney General.

**3.** (1) A person who contravenes section 2 is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000 and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months.

(2) A person who is convicted of a second or subsequent offence under this Act may, in addition to or in lieu of any other penalty, be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than one year.

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