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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 Department of the Environment Act is hereby amended.
 - 2. Section 10 is amended
 - (a) as to subsection (1) by
 - (i) striking out the words "who shall be chairman," in clause (a),
 - (ii) striking out the word "and" at the end of clause (h), by adding the word ", and" at the end of clause (i), and by adding the following clause after clause (i):
 - (j) representatives from each of such government agencies and departments as may be designated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
 - (b) by adding after subsection (1) the following subsection:
 - (1.1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall designate one of the members of the Co-ordinating Council as chairman.

and

(c) as to subsection (6) by adding after the word "Minister" the words "who shall forthwith submit copies thereof to the other members of the Executive Council".

Explanatory Notes

- 1. This Bill will amend chapter 24 of the Statutes Alberta, 1971.
- 2. Section 10, subsections (1) and (6) presently read:
 - 10. (1) There is hereby established the "Natural Resources Co-ordinating Council" consisting of
 - (a) the Deputy Minister of the Environment, who shall be chairman,
 - (b) the Deputy Minister of Agriculture,
 - (c) the Deputy Minister of the Department of Health and Social Development who holds the office of chairman of the Provincial Board of Health,
 - (d) the Deputy Minister of Highways and Transport,
 - (e) the Deputy Minister of Industry and Commerce,
 - (f) the Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests,
 - (g) the Deputy Minister of Mines and Minerals,
 - (h) the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, and
 - (i) the chairman of the Energy Resources Conservation Board.
 - (6) The Co-ordinating Council
 - (a) may inquire into any matter pertaining to the environment,
 - (b) may review any policies, programs, services or administrative procedures of departments of the Government or of government agencies in matters pertaining to the environment,

and shall make its recommendations and report thereon to the Minister.

3. Section 11 is amended

- (a) as to subsection (2) by striking out the word "and" at the end of clause (j), by adding the word ", and" at the end of clause (k), and by adding the following clause afer clause (k):
 - (1) representatives from each of such government agencies and departments as may be designated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- (b) by striking out subsection (3) and by substituting therefor the following subsection:
 - (3) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall designate one of the members of the Committee as chairman.
- (c) as to subsection (5), clause (b) by striking out the word "may" and by substituting therefor the words "shall, at the request of the Minister,".
- 4. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

3. Section 11 presently reads:

- 11. (1) There is hereby established a committee called the "Conservation and Utilization Committee" consisting of not less than 12 members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council in accordance with subsection (2).
- (2) The members of the Conservation and Utilization Committee shall consist of employees of the Government or members or employees of government agencies, with at least one member from each of the following, namely,
 - (a) the Department of Agriculture,
 - (b) the Department of the Attorney General,
 - (c) the Department of the Environment,
 - (d) the Department of Health and Social Development,
 - (e) the Department of Highways and Transport,
 - (f) the Department of Industry and Commerce,
 - (g) the Department of Lands and Forests,
 - (h) the Department of Mines and Minerals,
 - (i) the Department of Municipal Affairs,
 - (j) the Energy Resources Conservation Board, and
 - (k) the Research Council of Alberta.
- (3) The Minister shall designate as chairman of the Committee one of the members who is an employee of the Department of the Environment.
- (4) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and (2), each member of the Conservation and Utilization Committee appointed under subsection (2) shall appoint in writing a person to be an alternate member of the Committee to act in his stead as a member of the Committee in the event of his absence or inability to act.
 - (5) The Conservation and Utilization Committee
 - (a) shall, at the discretion of the Co-ordinating Council, inquire into and study any matter pertaining to the environment and shall make its recommendations and report thereon to the Co-ordinating Council and the Minister;
 - (b) may inquire into and study any matter pertairing to the environment and shall submit its recommendations and report thereon to the Co-ordinating Council and the Minister.