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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
AMENDMENT ACT, 1975

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND
COMMUNITY HEALTH

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(Assented to _____, 1975)

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

PART 1

1. The Department of Health and Social Development Act is amended by this Part.

2. The title of the Act is struck out and the following title is substituted therefor:

THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY HEALTH ACT

3. Section 1 is struck out and the following section is substituted therefor:

1. In this Act,

- (a) "Department" means the Department of Social Services and Community Health;
- (b) "Minister" means the Minister of Social Services and Community Health.

4. Section 2 is struck out and the following section is substituted therefor:

2. There shall be a department of the public service of the Province called the Department of Social Services and Community Health over which shall preside the member of the Executive Council appointed by the Lieutenant Governor under the Great Seal of the Province as Minister of Social Services and Community Health.

Explanatory Notes

General. The name of the Department will be changed to reflect a shift in emphasis in departmental responsibilities.

1. This Bill will amend chapter 25 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1971.

2. This amendment will change the name of the Act in accordance with the change in name of the Department.

3. The definitions section will be changed to reflect the change in the name of the Minister and the Department.

4. This amendment will make the change in the Department name and reflect the change in ministerial title.

5. *Section 4 is struck out.*

6. *Section 17, subsection (5) is amended by striking out clause (c) and by substituting therefor the following clause:*

- (c) the transfer of all or any of the board's employees to the employment of one or more of the participating local authorities,

7. *The following section is added after section 6:*

6.1 (1) The Minister may make grants if

- (a) he is authorized to do so by the regulations under this section, and
 - (b) moneys are appropriated by the Legislature for that purpose or the grant is authorized to be paid pursuant to a special warrant.
- (2) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations
- (a) authorizing the Minister to make grants;
 - (b) prescribing the purposes for which grants may be made;
 - (c) governing applications for grants;
 - (d) prescribing the persons or organizations or classes of persons or organizations eligible for grants;
 - (e) specifying the conditions required to be met by any applicant for a grant to render that person eligible for the grant;
 - (f) prescribing the conditions upon which a grant is made and requiring the repayment thereof to the Government if the conditions are not met;
 - (g) providing for the payment of any grant in a lump sum or by instalments and prescribing the time or times at which the grant or the instalments may be paid;
 - (h) limiting the amount of any grant or class of grant that may be made;
 - (i) authorizing the Minister to delegate in writing to any employee of the Government any duty, power or function respecting the payment of any grant;
 - (j) requiring any person receiving a grant to account for the way in which the grant is spent in whole or in part;
 - (k) authorizing the Minister to enter into an agreement with respect to any matter relating to the payment of a grant.

(3) Any regulation made under subsection (2) may be specific or general in its application.

5. Section 4 presently reads:

4. (1) There shall be a committee called the "Health and Social Development Planning Committee" consisting of

(a) the Minister,

(b) three officers of the Department designated by the Minister,

(c) the chairman of the Alberta Health Care Insurance Commission, and

(d) the chairman of the Alberta Hospital Services Commission.

(2) The Health and Social Development Planning Committee shall be responsible for the integration of the planning of, and the co-ordination of the programs and services of, the Department, the Alberta Health Care Insurance Commission and the Alberta Hospital Services Commission.

6. This amendment corrects a printing error.

7. This amendment will include a uniform new grants provision.

PART 2

8. *The enactments enumerated in Schedule A are amended by striking out the words “Minister of Health and Social Development” wherever they appear and by substituting therefor the words “Minister of Social Services and Community Health”.*

9. *The enactments enumerated in Schedule B are amended by striking out the words “Department of Health and Social Development” wherever they appear and by substituting therefor the words “Department of Social Services and Community Health”.*

10. *The words “Department of Health” are struck out wherever they appear in the following enactments and the words “Department of Social Services and Community Health” are substituted therefor:*

The Pharmaceutical Association Act, section 61, subsection (4);

The Public Health Act, section 7, subsection (1), clause 41.

11. *A reference to the Minister of Health or the Minister of Health and Social Development, or to the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Development, or to the Department of Health or the Department of Health and Social Development in any statutory provision not amended by this Act or in any order, regulation, rule, by-law, certificate of title, agreement or other instrument shall be deemed to be a reference to the Minister of Social Services and Community Health, the Deputy Minister of Social Services and Community Health or the Department of Social Services and Community Health, as the case may be.*

12. *The member of the Executive Council who, immediately prior to the commencement of this Act, holds office as, and is designated by the Lieutenant Governor as, the Minister of Social Services and Community Health becomes the Minister of Social Services and Community Health without the necessity of a further designation by the Lieutenant Governor, the issue of a new commission or the swearing of another oath of office.*

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

8. Consequential amendments.

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11. References to the Minister, Deputy Minister or Department under a former name will be deemed to be references to them by their new names.

12. Transitional provision.

SCHEDULE A

The Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Act, section 4, subsection (6);
The Blind Persons Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Cemeteries Act, section 2, clause (h);
The Child Welfare Act, section 2, clause (f);
The Chiropractic Profession Act, section 8, subsection (5) and section 13, subsections (3) and (4);
The Dental Association Act, section 31;
The Dental Auxiliaries Act, section 2, clause (f);
The Dental Technicians Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Disabled Persons' Pensions Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Disabled Persons Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Alberta Hospitals Act, section 43, subsection (2);
The Health Unit Act, section 2, clause (c), subclause (iii);
The Improvement Districts Act, section 31, subsections (1) and (2);
The Maintenance Order Act, section 5, subsection (1), clause (c);
The Maintenance and Recovery Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Mental Health Act, 1972, section 1, clause (j) and clause (k), subclause (i) and section 47, subsection (2), clause (b);
The Mobile Equipment Licensing Act, section 12, clause (d), subclause (iv);
The Municipal Government Act, section 215, subsection (2);
The Municipal Taxation Act, section 158;
The Nursing Aides Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Nursing Service Act, section 2, clause (d), subclause (iii) and clause (e);
The Old Age Assistance Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Pharmaceutical Association Act, section 60;
The Preventive Social Services Act, section 2, clause (a);
The Psychiatric Nurses Association Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Psychologists Act, section 22, subsection (3);
The Public Health Act, section 2, clause 13;
The Senior Citizens Benefits Act, section 1, clause (c);
The Social Development Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Social Workers Act, section 8, section 16, subsection (2) and section 19;
The Supplementary Allowances Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Treatment Services Act, section 2, clause (a);
The Tuberculosis Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Universities Act, section 50, subsections (4) and (5);
The Venereal Diseases Prevention Act, section 2, clause (g);
The Welfare Homes Act, section 2, clause (c).

SCHEDULE B

The Child Welfare Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Dental Auxiliaries Act, section 4, subsection (2), clause (a);
The Department of the Environment Act, section 10, subsection (1), clause (c) and section 11, subsection (2), clause (d);
The Disabled Persons Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Alberta Health Care Insurance Act, section 25, subsection (1.1);
The Health Unit Act, section 2, clause (d);
The Alberta Hospitals Act, section 43, subsection (4);
The Legislative Assembly Act, section 12, clause 23;
The Maintenance and Recovery Act, section 2, clause (a);
The Marriage Act, section 22, subsection (4);
The Metis Betterment Act, section 4, subsection (3);
The Mothers' Allowance Act, 1958, section 12, subsection (1);
The Municipal Government Act, section 199, subsection (1);
The Nursing Aides Act, section 4, subsection (1), clause (b), subclauses (i) and (ii);
The Nursing Homes Act, section 12, subsection (2), clause (a), subclause (i);
The Nursing Service Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Old Age Assistance Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Ophthalmic Dispensers Act, section 31, subsections (1) and (3) and section 32, clause (k);
The Public Health Act, section 2, clause 2.1 and section 46.1, subsection (1);
The Social Development Act, section 2, clause (b);
The Supplementary Allowances Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Tuberculosis Act, section 2, clause (a);
The Universities Act, section 50, subsection (5);
The Venereal Diseases Prevention Act, section 2, clause (c);
The Vital Statistics Act, section 25, subsection (1).