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(Assented to _____, 1976)

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

- 1. The Libraries Act is hereby amended.*
- 2. Section 2 is amended by striking out subsection (2).*
- 3. Section 6 is amended by striking out clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d).*
- 4. Section 38, subsection (2) is amended by striking out clause (e).*
- 5. Section 39 is struck out.*
- 6. Sections 54 to 62 are struck out and the following section is substituted:*
54. (1) The Minister may make grants if

Explanatory Notes

1. This Bill will amend chapter 206 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970.

2. Section 2 (2) presently reads:

(2) Population figures used for computing public library appropriation or annual grants shall be those estimates of population published annually by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

3. Section 6, clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) presently read:

6. The Minister may make rules and regulations, not inconsistent with this Act, providing for

- (a) the allocation among libraries of moneys appropriated by the Legislature for that purpose,
- (b) the administration of gifts or grants made to libraries,
- (c) the forms to be used for the purposes of this Act or the regulations,
- (d) the conditions upon which moneys allocated for library service by the Legislature may be paid,

4. Section 38 (2) presently reads:

(2) Without restricting the generality of subsection (1), the Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations

- (e) governing the granting and expenditure of moneys appropriated by the Legislature to assist in the establishment or maintenance of regional libraries,

5. Section 39 presently reads:

39. (1) The Minister may, out of moneys appropriated by the Legislature for the purpose, grant such sums of money for the establishment of regional libraries as are provided for by this Act.

(2) The Minister may, out of moneys appropriated by the Legislature for the purpose, grant such sums of money for the annual maintenance of regional libraries as are provided for by this Act.

6. This section replaces sections 54 to 62 which presently provide for establishment grants, annual grants, book grants, periodical grants and special grants to libraries.

- (a) he is authorized to do so by 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
 - (i) annual grants to libraries;
 - (ii) establishment grants to be paid upon
 - (A) the organization of a regional library, or
 - (B) the entering into an agreement by a municipality, school division or school district pursuant to section 35;
 - (iii) grants to libraries for books and periodicals;
 - (iv) grants to libraries for special library services;
 - (v) emergency grants to libraries;
 - (vi) grants which are, in the opinion of the Minister, important for the development of public library services in Alberta;
 - (b) prescribing the manner of determining the amount of grants referred to in clause (a);
 - (c) governing applications for grants;
 - (d) prescribing the terms and conditions upon which a grant is made and requiring the repayment to the Government thereof if the conditions are not met;
 - (e) prescribing standards of library service to be achieved by libraries as a condition of eligibility for grants;
 - (f) 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;
 - (g) limiting the amount of any grant or class of grant that may be made;
 - (h) authorizing the Minister to delegate in writing to any employee of the Government any duty, power or function respecting the payment of any grant;
 - (i) 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.

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