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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 Gas Utilities Act is hereby amended.
- 2. (1) The following heading and section are added after section 5:

Requirement for Order in Council

- **5.1** (1) Notwithstanding anything in this Act but subject to any regulations under subsection (2), the Board shall not proceed with any application or complaint under section 6, 7, 8, 9, 15, 16 or 27 or any provision thereof or proceed on its own motion or initiative under any of the provisions of those sections unless it is authorized to do so by an order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- (2) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations exempting from the operation of subsection (1)
 - (a) all or any classes of applications or complaints under any section referred to in that subsection or under any provision thereof, or
 - (b) all or any classes of cases under any section referred to in that subsection or under any provision thereof where the Board is, apart from this section, empowered to proceed on its own motion or initiative.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies to any proceeding commenced but not concluded under section 6, 7, 8, 9, 15, 16 or 27 of The Gas Utilities Act before the commencement of this section whether or not the Public Utilities Board has completed its hearings with respect to the matter.
- 3. This Act comes into force on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

Explanatory Notes

- 1. This Bill will amend chapter 158 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970.
- 2. Requirement for an order in council before the Public Utilities Board may proceed with any matter, except where exempted by regulation.