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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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MR. COOKSON

First Reading

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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 Age of Majority Act is hereby amended.

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

4. (1) In the *Liquor Control Act*, the *Liquor Licensing Act*, the *Liquor Plebiscites Act*, or in any regulation or order issued pursuant thereto, a reference to the age of 21 years shall be read as a reference to the age of 20 years.

(2) In any provision of any other Act of the Legislature or any other regulation, rule, order or by-law made under an Act of the Legislature enacted or made before the coming into force of this Act, a reference to the age of 21 years shall be read as a reference to the age of 18 years.

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), in the construction of this Act the expression "21 years" means 21 years and subsection (2) does not apply to this Act.

3. Section 20 is amended by adding the following subsection after subsection (2):

(3) Without derogating from the general effect and operation of section 4, the statutory provisions specified in Schedule 1, Part C are amended by striking out the references therein to the age of "21" and by substituting therefor a reference to the age of "20".

4. Schedule 1 is amended

(a) as to Part B by striking out the references to the Liquor Control Act, the Liquor Licensing Act and the Liquor Plebiscite Act, and

Explanatory Notes

General: Raises drinking age to 20.

1. Amends Age of Majority Act.

2. Amends qualifying age in liquor statutes from 18 to 20.

Section 4 presently reads:

4. (1) In any provision of an Act of the Legislature or any regulation, rule, order or by-law made under an Act of the Legislature enacted or made before the coming into force of this Act, a reference to the age of 21 years shall be read as a reference to the age of 18 years.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), in the construction of this Act the expression "21 years" means 21 years and subsection (1) does not apply to this Act.

3. and **4.** Consequential amendments to Schedules.

(b) *by adding after Part B the following Part:*

Part C

Provision	Subject Matter
THE LIQUOR CONTROL ACT (R.S.A. 1970, c. 211)	
Section 43(1)	identification cards for persons over 21
Section 77(1-4)	age eligibility to purchase liquor or enter licensed premises or liquor stores is 21
Section 78(1-3)	selling or supplying liquor to person under 21
Section 79(1, 2)	delivering of liquor to person under 21
THE LIQUOR LICENSING ACT (R.S.A. 1970, c. 212)	
Section 16 (a)	must be 21 to qualify for a dining lounge or lounge licence
Section 67 (1-3)	person under 21 may enter a licensed dining lounge
Section 86	proof of age if appears under 21
Section 87(b)	elector means a person over 21
THE LIQUOR PLEBISCITES ACT (R.S.A. 1970, c. 213)	
Section 2(c)	elector means a person over 21
Section 21(4)	no one under 21 can vote
Form B	full age of 21

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

5. Coming into force.