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(Assented to , 1977)

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

- 1. The Public Health Act is hereby amended.
- 2. Section 32 is amended
 - (a) by adding the following subsections after subsection (2):
 - (2.1) Notwithstanding subsection (2), the local board of health of a city having a population in excess of 100,000 shall consist of
 - (a) one member of the council of the city who shall be appointed for a term of one year,
 - (b) the medical officer of health, and
 - (c) eight residents of the city appointed by the council of the city.
 - (2.2) A member appointed under subsection (2.1), clause (c) shall be appointed for a term of not more than three years.
 - (2.3) A member of a local board continues to hold office after the expiry of his term of office until his successor is appointed.

Explanatory Notes

- 1. This Bill will amend chapter 294 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970.
- 2. Section 32, subsections (1), (2) and (6) presently read:
 - 32. (1) In every health district there shall be a local board of health, which shall be responsible for the carrying out of the provisions of this Act, and the Provincial Board may, in regulations made and issued under section 7, subsection (1), delegate to the local board such of the power and authority of the Provincial Board as in the opinion of the latter is necessary to enable the local board to carry out satisfactorily the provisions of this Act.
 - (2) In every city and town the local board shall consist of the mayor, the medical officer of health, the municipal engineer, if any, and three ratepayers who shall be appointed by the council for one, two and three years respectively and each of whom shall upon his retirement be replaced by a ratepayer appointed for three years from the date of appointment.
- (6) A majority of the members of any local board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

- (2.4) Where the office of a member of the local board of a city or town is vacated for any reason other than the expiration of his term of office, the council may appoint a person as a member of the local board for the remainder of the term of office of the former member.
- (2.5) The members of a local board shall elect a chairman from among their number.
- (2.6) The medical officer of health shall not vote on any matter before a local board and is not eligible to be chairman of a local board.

and

- (b) as to subsection (6) by adding the word "voting" before the word "members".
- 3. Section 428 of The Municipal Government Act is amended
 - (a) as to subsection (1) by striking out clause (a), and
 - (b) by striking out subsection (2).

4. This Act comes into force on October 1, 1977.

- **3.** This section will amend chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970. Section 428, subsection (1), clause (a) and subsection (2) presently read:
 - 428. (1) The provisions of the Edmonton Charter relating to
 - (a) the composition and constitution of the local board of health and the method of appointment and term of office of members of the board,

continue to be applicable.

(2) In the case of the local board of health referred to in clause (a) of subsection (1), the council of the city of Edmonton after the first day of July, 1953, may appoint as a member of the local board of health a qualified dentist who has been recommended by the Edmonton Dental Council and whose term of office shall be the same as that prescribed in the Edmonton Charter for medical practitioners appointed to the local board of health.