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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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First Reading -----

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(Assented to _____, 1978)

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

1. *The Fire Prevention Act is amended by this Act.*
2. *Section 2 is amended by adding the following after clause (b):*
 - (c) "Municipality" means a city, town, village, summer village, county, municipal district, improvement district or special area as defined by *The Municipal Government Act*.
3. *Section 6 is amended by adding the following after subsection (4):*
 - (5) The Fire Commissioner, within one year of the coming into force of this Act and every 2 years thereafter, shall
 - (a) report to the Minister on the capability and adequacy of the fire department of every municipality in the Province, including in the report with respect to every municipality in the Province a statement of
 - (i) the available firefighting apparatus, equipment, appliances and related facilities,
 - (ii) the location of such firefighting apparatus, equipment, appliances and related facilities,
 - (iii) the number of fire officers, fire fighters and other staff and the state of their training programs, if any, and
 - (iv) all recommendations made pursuant to clause (b), and
 - (b) make such recommendations as he sees fit to every municipality as to

Explanatory Notes

1. This Bill will Amend chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1970.

2. Definitions

3. Amends section 6 to require the Fire Commissioner to report to the Minister and make recommendations to municipalities.

- (i) the adequacy of their firefighting apparatus, equipment, appliances and related facilities,
- (ii) the adequacy of staffing and the training requirements of the municipality, and
- (iii) any other matter required to give adequate municipal fire protection to the members of the general public in the municipality.

(6) The Minister shall table the report of the Fire Commissioner in the Legislative Assembly within 30 days of its receipt or if the Legislative Assembly is not then sitting within 30 days of the commencement of the next sitting.

(7) The mayor or reeve of every municipality shall provide all information reasonably requested by the Fire Commissioner in connection with his obligations hereunder.

4. Section 41(1) is amended by adding the following after clause (j):

- (k) governing the minimum firefighting staff, apparatus, equipment, appliances and related facilities to be provided by municipalities, and the extent to which and the conditions under which municipalities may make agreements with other municipalities for the sharing of such firefighting staff, apparatus, equipment, appliances, related equipment or facilities,
- (l) providing for minimum standards of frequency and scope of training of firefighters, fire officers and related staff,
- (m) providing for grants or loans to municipalities
 - (i) to finance the purchase or improvement of firefighting apparatus, equipment and appliances including related equipment and facilities,
 - (ii) to pay firefighters, fire officers or related staff, and
 - (iii) to provide for training or education of firefighters, fire officers or related staff,if money for such grants or loans has been appropriated to that purpose by the Legislature.

5. This Act comes into force on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

4. Regulations.