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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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THE ALBERTA HOSPITALS AMENDMENT ACT, 1979

THE MINISTER OF HOSPITALS AND
MEDICAL CARE

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to , 1979)

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

1 The Alberta Hospitals Act is amended by this Act.

2 Section 31.3 is amended by adding the following after subsection (4):

(5) The Appeal Board has, for the purposes of an appeal under section 31.5, the powers, privileges and immunities conferred on a commissioner under sections 3 and 4 of The Public Inquiries Act.

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

Explanatory Notes

1 This Bill will amend chapter 174 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970.

2 Sections 3 and 4 of The Public Inquiries Act read:

3 The commissioner or commissioners shall have the power of summoning before him or them any persons as witnesses and of requiring them to give evidence on oath, orally or in writing, or solemn affirmation if they are persons entitled to affirm in civil matters, and to produce such documents and things as the commissioner or commissioners deem requisite to the full investigation of the matters into which he or they are appointed to inquire.

4 The commissioner or commissioners shall have the same power to enforce the attendance of persons as witnesses and to compel them to give evidence and to produce documents and things as is vested in a court of record in civil cases, and the same privileges and immunities as a judge of the Supreme Court of Alberta.

This amendment will give the Hospital Privileges Appeal Board the power to compel the attendance of witnesses and the same immunity as a judge of the Supreme Court of Alberta.