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#### THE ALBERTA FAMILY INSTITUTE ACT

(Assented to , 1981)

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

Institute established

1 There is hereby established the Alberta Family Institute.

Appointment of

- **2**(1) The Institute shall be under the direction of a Board which shall consist of 7 trustees of whom one shall be a member of the Legislative Assembly, and who shall hold office for 3 years.
- (2) The first trustees shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council who shall also nominate the chairman.
- (3) Prior to the expiry of their term of office, the trustees shall nominate 4 persons and the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall nominate 3 persons, one of whom shall be a member of the Legislative Assembly to constitute the next Board.
- (4) No person may serve more than 2 terms as trustee on the Board unless one or both of those terms are served as chairman in which case he may serve no more than 3 terms in total.

Expenses and remuneration

- **3**(1) The chairman of the Board shall receive such remuneration and reimbursement of expenses as is authorized by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, payable from the Fund established pursuant to section 6.
- (2) The members of the Board shall receive such reimbursement of expenses as is authorized by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, payable from the Fund established pursuant to section 6.

Objects

- **4** The objects of the Institute are:
  - (a) to acquire and collect data including results of research com-

pleted by others, into matters affecting the family unit, including information regarding:

- (i) changes to the structure of the family unit,
- (ii) the effect of community growth and change on the family unit.
- (iii) the effect of changing family structure on the economic and social environment of the Province,
- (iv) the impact of change in the family unit on family members;
- (b) to advise any Minister as to the effect legislation, planned or enacted and under the Minister's administration, might have on the family unit;
- (c) to provide supporting information and non-financial assistance, to the Family and Community Support Services Program of the Department of Social Services and Community Health, and to specific projects of that program, when requested to do so:
- (d) upon the request of a municipality or volunteer organization, not involved in the Family and Community Support Services Program, to advise on any program designed to reinforce the family unit or to assist with problems faced by members of the family unit, which are planned or operated by the municipality or organization; and
- (e) to provide information and advice to employers wishing to promote programs for their employees, which are designed to reinforce the family unit or assist with difficulties faced by the family unit.

Research

**5** The Institute may, at the initiative of the Board, carry out or cause to be carried out such research related to its objects as the Board considers appropriate.

Fund established

- **6**(1) There is hereby established a fund to be known as the Alberta Family Institute Fund, into which shall be paid
  - (a) such money as is appropriated to the Fund by the Legislature,
  - (b) any donations received by the Institute.
- (2) The Board shall be responsible for the management of and accounting for the Fund in accordance with section 8.

Staff, equipment and services

7 The Board may hire staff, purchase or lease equipment and contract for research and services that it considers necessary to carry out the objects of the Institute, which shall be paid for out of the Fund.

#### Annual report to Assembly

- **8**(1) The Board shall, after each fiscal year, submit an annual report of its operations for that year, including a financial statement of the Fund, audited by the Auditor General, to the Minister appointed for the purpose by Executive Council.
- (2) On receiving the report, the Minister shall lay it before the Legislative Assembly at the earliest opportunity if it is then sitting, and if it is not then sitting, within 15 days of the commencement of the next sitting.

Coming into force

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