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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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**METIS BETTERMENT ACT
RESTORATION ACT**

THE MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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METIS BETTERMENT ACT RESTORATION ACT

(Assented to _____, 1982)

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

1 The *Metis Betterment Act*, being chapter M-14 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980, is repealed effective January 1, 1982 as if it had never come into force or had effect as law.

2 The *Metis Betterment Act*, being chapter 233 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970, as it read, with all amendments, immediately prior to the coming into force of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980, is revived effective January 1, 1982 with the same force and effect as if it had never been consolidated and revised in the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980.

3 It is hereby declared that no person lost or gained any rights, benefits or other interest under the Act named in section 1 and all such rights, benefits and interests shall be determined under the Act named in section 2.

4 A reference in any Act, regulation, form, order, judgment or other instrument to the Act named in section 1 shall be deemed to be and to have always been a reference to the Act named in section 2.

5 The *Department of Municipal Affairs Act* is amended by adding the following after section 16:

Grant to
Metis settlements

17(1) There is hereby established a fund to be known as the "Metis Settlements Trust Fund" which shall be held and administered by the Minister.

(2) The Minister shall

(a) keep and maintain a separate accounting record of the Metis Settlements Trust Fund, and

(b) maintain a separate account in the Fund in respect of each Metis settlement to which the payment under section 19 of the *Municipal Debt Reduction Act* in respect of that settlement is credited.

(3) The Minister may expend money in the account in the Metis Settlements Trust Fund in respect of a Metis settlement for any purpose that is a direct benefit to the Metis settlement and its residents.

(4) The income of the Metis Settlements Trust Fund accrues to that Fund.

(5) The Minister shall apportion the income or losses of the Metis Settlements Trust Fund among the accounts in the Fund in proportion to the net credits of those accounts, and the amounts so apportioned shall be added to or deducted from the respective amounts previously credited to those accounts.

(6) The Minister shall, as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year of the Crown, prepare a report summarizing the operation of the Metis Settlements Trust Fund in the preceding fiscal year and containing financial statements showing, in respect of that fiscal year, the financial position, the results of operations and changes in the financial position of the Fund.

(7) On preparing a report under subsection (6), the Minister shall lay a copy of it before the Legislative Assembly if it is then sitting and, if not, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

(8) In this section, "Metis settlement" means an area of public land set aside under section 6 of *The Metis Betterment Act* for the settlement of or occupation by members of a settlement association.

6 This Act shall be deemed to have come into force when the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980 came into force.