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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ACT

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First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

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Royal Assent

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(Assented to _____, 1983)

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

Definitions

1 In this Act,

(a) "Department" means the Department of Science and Technology;

(b) "Minister" means the Minister of Science and Technology.

Establishment of Department

2(1) There shall be a department of the Government called the Department of Science and Technology over which shall preside the member of the Executive Council appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council under the Great Seal as Minister of Science and Technology.

(2) The Department shall be responsible for the co-ordination and direction of all scientific and technological research carried out by or for the Government and for the development and implementation of a policy to assist scientific and technological research in the private sector.

Staff

3 In accordance with the *Public Service Act* there may be appointed a Deputy Minister of Science and Technology and any other employees required to conduct the business of the Department.

Boards, committees, etc.

4(1) The Minister may establish any boards, committees or councils he considers necessary or desirable to act in an advisory or administrative capacity in connection with any of the policies, programs, services or other matters under his administration.

(2) The Minister may, with respect to any board, committee or council established under this section,

- (a) appoint or provide for the manner of appointment of its members,
- (b) prescribe the term of office of any member,
- (c) designate a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary, and
- (c) authorize, fix and provide for the payment of remuneration and expenses to its members.

(3) A board, committee or council established pursuant to this section may make rules of procedure, subject to the approval thereof by the Minister, governing the calling of meetings, the procedure to be used at and conduct of the meetings, reporting and such other matters as required.

(4) A board, committee or council established pursuant to this section may exercise the powers and shall perform the duties and functions that the Minister approves, confers or imposes on it.

Grants

5(1) The Minister may make grants if

- (a) he is authorized to do so by regulations under this section, and
- (b) there is authority available in a supply vote for the purpose for which the grant is to be made.

(2) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations

- (a) authorizing the Minister to make grants;
- (b) prescribing the purposes for which grants may be made;
- (c) governing applications for grants;
- (d) prescribing the persons or organizations or classes of persons or organizations eligible for grants;
- (e) specifying the conditions required to be met by any applicant for a grant to render that person eligible for the grant;
- (f) prescribing the conditions on which a grant is made and requiring the repayment of the grant to the Government if the conditions are not met;
- (g) providing for the payment of any grant in a lump sum or by instalments and prescribing the time or times at which the grant or instalments may be paid;
- (h) limiting the amount of any grant or class of grant that may be made;

(i) authorizing the Minister to delegate in writing to any employee of the Government any duty, power or function respecting the payment of any grant;

(j) requiring any person receiving a grant to account for the way in which the grant is spent in whole or in part;

(k) authorizing the Minister to enter into an agreement with respect to any matter relating to the payment of a grant;

(l) directing the co-ordination of research projects funded wholly or partly by public funds.

(3) Any regulation made under subsection (2) may be specific or general in its application.

Coming into force

6 This Act comes into force on a date to be fixed by Proclamation which shall not be earlier than the effective date of an appropriation of money to the purposes of this Act.