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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE AMUSEMENTS ACT

MR. McINNIS

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to , 1990)

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

- 1 The Amusements Act is amended by this Act.*
- 2 The following Part is added after Part 2.*

PART 2.1

ACCESS BY CHILDREN TO FILM

17.1 No owner or any other person shall, at a place of amusement or a film exchange, rent, sell or show a film to anyone who

- (a) is under the age of 18 years, or
- (b) appears to be under the age of 18 years and who fails to produce identification showing that he is of the age of 18 years or more

unless the film has been classified pursuant to section 23(m)(1) as a family picture or a picture for universal exhibition.

17.2 An owner or other person who contravenes section 17.1 is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction

- (a) for a first offence to a fine of not less than \$250 and not more than \$1000 and

Explanatory Notes

- 1** This Bill will amend Chapter A-41 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980.
- 2** This new Part will make it an offence to show or rent to minors any film or video that has not been classified as "family" or "universal". Provision is made for fines and for the suspension of licences.

(b) for a second or subsequent offence, to a fine of not less than \$1000 and not more than \$10000.

17.3(1) If an owner or other has been convicted of an offence under section 17.2(a), the Minister may revoke the licence for the premises at which the offence was committed for a period not exceeding one month.

(2) If an owner or other has committed an offence under section 17.2(b) the Minister shall suspend the licence for the premises at which the offence was committed for a period of a year unless he is satisfied that the owner of the premises had taken all reasonable steps to prevent an offence being committed under this Part, in which case he may reduce the period of suspension to a period he considers appropriate in the circumstances, but not less than one month.