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ALBERTA SENIORS ADVISORY COUNCIL ACT

REV. MR. ROBERTS

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

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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:

Definitions

1 In this Act

(a) "Advisory Council" means the Alberta Seniors Advisory Council;

(b) "Minister" means the member of the Executive Council charged by the Lieutenant Governor in Council with the administration of this Act.

Advisory Council
established,
purpose

2(1) The Alberta Senior Advisory Council is hereby established.

(2) The purpose of the Advisory Council is to improve the lives of senior citizens in Alberta by

(a) advising and reporting to the Government through the Minister or any other member of the Executive Council, on matters relating to facilitating changes required to improve the lives of senior citizens and their participation in the life of the Province, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, engaging in such activities as

(i) identifying specific matters and issues relating to senior citizens in Alberta, which, in the opinion of the Advisory Council, ought to be addressed by the Government,

(ii) making recommendations for legislation, policy or other actions by the Government with respect to matters

and issues relating to senior citizens, and

(iii) carrying out any other activities that the Minister considers appropriate; and

(b) promoting and increasing public awareness of the issues which concern or affect senior citizens;

(c) conducting or directing research on any matter relating to senior citizens' quality of the life and their participation in the life of the Province, and publishing the results of the research;

(d) receiving briefs and petitions and responding to them.

Advisory Council
members

3(1)The Advisory Council shall consist of not more than 15 members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council for terms not exceeding 3 years.

(2) In selecting members of the Alberta Seniors Advisory Council, the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall consider the knowledge, background and expertise of each member being considered, and shall include senior citizens who represent, or are active with groups representing the interests of a cross-section of senior citizens from the different geographic regions of Canada.

(3) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall appoint one of the members to chair the Advisory Council.

(4) The members of the Advisory Council shall receive such remuneration and travelling, living and other expenses for their services as is ordered by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, providing money has been appropriated to the purpose by the Legislature.

(5) A member continues to hold office after the expiry of the members' term of office until

(a) reappointed, or

(b) a successor is appointed, whichever occurs first.

Staff

4 In accordance with the Public Service Act, there may be appointed the employees required to conduct the business of the Advisory Council, providing money has been appropriated to the purpose by the Legislature.

Meetings **5(1)**The Advisory Council shall meet at least 3 times each fiscal year.

(2) The advisory Council may make by-laws for the conduct of its business.

(3) With respect to the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991, the Advisory Council shall meet at least once.

Annual Reports **6(1)**Before December 31 in each year, the Advisory Council shall submit to the Minister an annual report consisting of a general summary of its activities during the fiscal year ending March 31 of that year.

(2) Within 5 days of receiving a report under subsection (1), the Minister shall lay a copy of it before the Legislative Assembly if it is then sitting, and, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next ensuing sitting.

Continuation of Council **7(1)**On or before every 5th anniversary of the commencement of this Act, the Advisory Council shall submit to the Minister a report containing recommendations as to its future operation and as to any amendment to this Act that it deems advisable.

(2) Within 5 days of receiving a report under subsection (1) the Minister shall lay it before the Legislative Assembly if it is then sitting and, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days of the commencement of the next ensuing sitting.