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(Assented to , 2002)

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

Amends RSA 2000 cF-2

- 1 The Fair Trading Act is amended by this Act.
- 2 The following is added after section 64:

Execution of credit agreement

- **64.1**(1) In addition to any signatures required to execute a credit agreement, a borrower must acknowledge the APR and the total cost of credit by initialling these terms in the agreement.
- (2) This section does not apply to mortgage loans.

Copy of credit agreement

- **64.2** A credit grantor must provide to a borrower, on request, a copy of the credit agreement.
- 3 The following is added after section 101:

Division 8 Consumer Education Programs

Consumer education programs

- **101.1** The Minister may establish programs to educate consumers on matters relating to
 - (a) the cost of credit,
 - (b) the meaning of APR,

(c)	the legal	obligations	of credit	grantors.	and
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- (d) the legal rights of borrowers.
- 4 Section 161 is amended in clause (f) by adding "64.2," before "66(2)".

5 This Act comes into force on Proclamation.

Explanatory Notes

- 1 Amends chapter F-2 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000.
- **2** New requirements for borrower to initial certain terms of credit agreement and for creditor to provide borrower with a copy of credit agreement.

3 Consumer education programs.

4 Section 161 presently reads:

161 Any person who contravenes any of the following provisions is guilty of an offence:

- (a) in Part 2, sections 7, 9, 10, 11, 23;
- (b) in Part 3, sections 31(2), 39(1);
- (c) in Part 5, sections 44(1) and (2), 45, 46(1), (3), (4), (6) and (7), 48(2) and (3), 49;
- (d) in Part 7, section 54;
- (e) in Part 8, sections 55(2), 56(1), 57(1);
- (f) in Part 9, sections 62, 64(1) and (2), 66(2), 68(3), 73(3), 78, 79(1), 80, 81, 85, 86, 87, 88;
- (g) in Part 10, sections 104, 107;
- (h) in Part 11, sections 111, 113, 114(1), 115(1), 116(1), 117;

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- (i) in Part 12, sections 120(2) and (3), 121, 122, 123;
- (j) in Part 13, sections 132, 133, 134;
- (k) in Part 14, sections 145(6), 168(3).
- **5** Coming into force.

Explanatory Notes