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ALBERTA SCIENCE AND RESEARCH AUTHORITY AMENDMENT ACT, 2005

(Assented to _____, 2005)

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

Amends RSA 2000 cA-33

**1 The *Alberta Science and Research Authority Act* is
amended by this Act.**

**2 Section 1 is amended by adding the following after clause
(d.1):**

- (d.2) “ICT Institute” means the Alberta Information and
Communications Technology Institute established under
section 34;
- (d.3) “Life Sciences Institute” means the Alberta Life
Sciences Institute established under section 39;

3 The following is added after section 33:

Part 5 ICT Institute

ICT Institute

34(1) The Alberta Information and Communications
Technology Institute is established as an unincorporated board
consisting of not fewer than 3 and not more than 11 members
appointed by the Minister.

(2) Persons appointed under subsection (1) must include at least one member of the Legislative Assembly.

(3) The Minister must designate a member who is a member of the Legislative Assembly as the chair of the ICT Institute and another member of the ICT Institute as the vice-chair.

(4) The Minister may prescribe the terms of office of the members of the ICT Institute and those of the chair and vice-chair.

(5) The vice-chair must exercise and perform the powers and duties of the chair in the event of the absence or inability to act of the chair or a vacancy in the office of the chair.

Remuneration

35 The members of the ICT Institute who are not employees of the Government may be paid remuneration and may receive reasonable travelling and living expenses while away from their ordinary places of residence in the course of their duties as members of the ICT Institute at the rates prescribed by the Minister.

Purposes

36 The ICT Institute

- (a) may compile, assess and disseminate information on science, engineering and technology related to information and communications technology,
- (b) must, at the request of the Authority or the Minister, advise the Authority or the Minister on questions of science, engineering and technology related to information and communications technology, and
- (c) must provide recommendations on applications for grants related to information and communications technology assigned to it by the Authority or the Minister.

Bylaws

37(1) The ICT Institute may, with the approval of the Minister, make bylaws

- (a) governing the calling of its meetings, the procedure to be used at its meetings, the conduct of business at its meetings, reporting and any other matters as required;
- (b) respecting the making of recommendations on applications for grants.

(2) The *Regulations Act* does not apply to the bylaws of the ICT Institute.

Annual report

38 The ICT Institute must, after the end of each fiscal year and at any other times required by the Minister, prepare and submit to the Minister a report, in a form satisfactory to the Minister, consisting of a summary of its activities.

Part 6 Life Sciences Institute

Life Sciences Institute

39(1) The Alberta Life Sciences Institute is established as an unincorporated board consisting of not fewer than 3 and not more than 11 members appointed by the Minister.

(2) Persons appointed under subsection (1) must include at least one member of the Legislative Assembly.

(3) The Minister must designate a member who is a member of the Legislative Assembly as the chair of the Life Sciences Institute and another member of the Life Sciences Institute as the vice-chair.

(4) The Minister may prescribe the terms of office of the members of the Life Sciences Institute and those of the chair and vice-chair.

(5) The vice-chair must exercise and perform the powers and duties of the chair in the event of the absence or inability to act of the chair or a vacancy in the office of the chair.

Remuneration

40 The members of the Life Sciences Institute who are not employees of the Government may be paid remuneration and may receive reasonable travelling and living expenses while

away from their ordinary places of residence in the course of their duties as members of the Life Sciences Institute at the rates prescribed by the Minister.

Purposes

41 The Life Sciences Institute

- (a) may compile, assess and disseminate information on science, engineering and technology related to life sciences,
- (b) must, at the request of the Authority or the Minister, advise the Authority or the Minister on questions of science, engineering and technology related to life sciences, and
- (c) must provide recommendations on applications for grants related to life sciences assigned to it by the Authority or the Minister.

Bylaws

42(1) The Life Sciences Institute may, with the approval of the Minister, make bylaws

- (a) governing the calling of its meetings, the procedure to be used at its meetings, the conduct of business at its meetings, reporting and any other matters as required;
- (b) respecting the making of recommendations on applications for grants.

(2) The *Regulations Act* does not apply to the bylaws of the Life Sciences Institute.

Annual report

43 The Life Sciences Institute must, after the end of each fiscal year and at any other times required by the Minister, prepare and submit to the Minister a report, in a form satisfactory to the Minister, consisting of a summary of its activities.

4 This Act comes into force on Proclamation.

Explanatory Notes

1 Amends chapter A-33 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.

2 Adds definitions.

3 Adds new Parts 5 and 6 establishing the new Information and Communications Technology Institute and the new Life Sciences Institute and setting out the scope of their respective activities.

4 Coming into force.