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2006

POST-SECONDARY LEARNING AMENDMENT ACT, 2006

(Assented to , 2006)

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

Amends SA 2003 cP-19.5

- 1 The Post-secondary Learning Act is amended by this Act.
- 2 Section 61(2)(b) is repealed.
- 3 Section 124(b)(i) and (ii) are repealed and the following is substituted:
 - (i) respecting the publication of information about a public post-secondary institution's tuition fees and related information;
 - (ii) respecting consultation in relation to the setting of tuition fees;
- (iii) respecting any differential or surcharge in tuition fees for foreign students or non-resident students;
- (iv) respecting the requirements that must be adhered to when setting tuition fees;
- 4 This Act comes into force on Proclamation.

Explanatory Notes

- 1 Amends chapter P-19.5 of the Statutes of Alberta, 2003.
- **2** Section 61(2)(b) presently reads:
 - (2) The tuition fees under subsection (1) for all public post-secondary institutions other than Banff Centre
 - (b) must not increase except in accordance with the following principles:
 - (i) where a public post-secondary institution's revenue from tuition fees in a fiscal year is equal to or less than 30% of its net operating expenditures in that fiscal year, the maximum allowable annual increase in tuition fees for that post-secondary institution in the 2nd year following that year must be set in accordance with the regulations;
 - (ii) where a public post-secondary institution's revenue from tuition fees in a fiscal year exceeds 30% of its net operating expenditures in that fiscal year, the maximum allowable annual increase in tuition fees for that post-secondary institution in the 2nd year following that year is the Alberta Consumer Price Index plus 2%, which must not result in a decrease or be greater than 5%.
- **3** Section 124(b) presently reads:
 - 124 The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations
 - (b) respecting tuition fees, for all boards other than the board of Banff Centre, including regulations
 - (i) respecting the publication of information about a public post-secondary institution's revenue from tuition fees and net operating

- expenditures and about how they have been calculated, and requiring consultation in respect of the setting of tuition fees;
- (ii) respecting any differential or surcharge in tuition fees for foreign students or non-resident students;
- 4 Coming into force.