

2012 Bill 1

Fifth Session, 27th Legislature, 61 Elizabeth II

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

BILL 1

RESULTS-BASED BUDGETING ACT

THE PREMIER

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to , 2012)

Preamble

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has a long history of providing essential programs and services for Albertans directly and through its agencies;

WHEREAS Alberta and Albertans have grown and evolved economically, demographically and culturally;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta is committed to ensuring that its programs and services are the right programs and services delivered in the right way to achieve the results that Albertans expect, in the most efficient and effective manner;

WHEREAS a comprehensive review of the Government's programs and services will ensure that those programs and services are continuing to achieve the best results and to support Albertans, communities and businesses in reaching their full potential;

WHEREAS the recommendations from such a review can form a basis for future budget and policy decisions to achieve the best results for Albertans;

WHEREAS engaging Albertans is vital to determine what results they want and to validate the results achieved; and

WHEREAS an innovative, collaborative and engaged Alberta Public Service, working with purpose and pride, is committed to achieving results for Albertans and making a difference in their lives;

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

Review of programs and services

1(1) The Treasury Board shall provide for a comprehensive review of the programs and services provided by the Government and its agencies.

(2) The review must be conducted in the manner and in accordance with a schedule as directed by the Treasury Board and must include an assessment as to whether the programs and services provided by the Government and its agencies meet their intended objectives and whether they are being delivered in an efficient and effective manner.

(3) For the purpose of conducting a review under this Act, in addition to members of the public service, external experts may be engaged as the Treasury Board considers necessary.

(4) Albertans will have the opportunity to participate in the review.

Results-based budgeting

2 On completion of a review of a program or service, a results-based budget process must be used as an approach for the next budget planning cycle for that program or service.

Reports

3(1) The President of Treasury Board and Enterprise shall, no later than October 1 of each year, beginning in 2012, table in the Legislative Assembly a report that sets out the progress of the review.

(2) If the Legislative Assembly is not sitting when a report referred to in subsection (1) is required to be tabled, the report must be tabled within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

Repeal

4 This Act expires on December 31, 2017 unless it is continued for a further period by an order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

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