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ALBERTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AMENDMENT ACT, 2013

THE MINISTER OF ENTERPRISE
AND ADVANCED EDUCATION

First Reading

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Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to , 2013)

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

Amends RSA 2000 cA-16

**1 The *Alberta Economic Development Authority Act* is
amended by this Act.**

2 Section 1 is amended

(a) by adding the following after clause (a):

(a.1) “committee” means a committee established under
section 3.1;

(b) by repealing clauses (b) to (d).

3 Section 2 is amended

**(a) in subsection (1) by striking out “, consisting of the
members of the Executive, Board and Council”;**

Explanatory Notes

1 Amends chapter A-16 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.

2 Adds definition of committee and removes references to the Board, Council and Executive. Section 1(b), (c) and (d) presently read:

1 In this Act,

(b) “Board” means the Board of Management of the Authority established under section 2;

(c) “Council” means the Economic Council of the Authority established under section 2;

(d) “Executive” means the Executive of the Authority established under section 2;

3 Section 2 presently reads:

2(1) The Alberta Economic Development Authority is established, consisting of the members of the Executive, Board and Council.

(b) in subsection (2)

(i) by striking out “Executive of the”;

(ii) by repealing clause (c) and substituting the following:

(c) up to 12 other members appointed by the Minister on the recommendation of the Executive Chair.

(c) by adding the following after subsection (2):

(2.1) A member appointed under subsection (2)(c)

(a) holds office for a term of not more than 3 years as prescribed in the appointment, and

(b) is eligible for reappointment if the reappointment does not result in the member serving more than 10 consecutive years.

(2.2) Subject to the 10-year maximum established by subsection (2.1)(b), a member appointed under subsection (2)(c) continues to hold office after the expiry of the member’s term until

(a) the member is reappointed,

(b) a successor is appointed, or

(c) a period of 3 months has elapsed,

whichever occurs first.

(2.3) The Minister may, on the recommendation of the Executive Chair, designate a chair and a vice-chair from among the members appointed under subsection (2)(c).

(d) by repealing subsections (3) to (5);

(e) in subsection (6) by striking out “Authority may not receive remuneration except for reasonable living and travelling expenses, in an amount prescribed by” **and substituting** “Authority and members of committees may not receive remuneration except for reasonable living and travelling expenses, in an amount provided for by order”.

- (2) The Executive of the Authority consists of*
- (a) the Premier of Alberta, who is the Executive Chair,*
 - (b) the Minister, who is the Executive Vice-chair, and*
 - (c) any other persons appointed as Chairs by the Minister.*
- (3) The Board of Management of the Authority consists of*
- (a) the Executive, and*
 - (b) any other persons appointed as members of the Board by the Minister.*
- (4) The Economic Council of the Authority consists of*
- (a) the Executive, and*
 - (b) any other persons appointed as members of the Council by the Minister.*
- (5) The Minister may prescribe the term of office of any member that the Minister appoints under this section.*
- (6) The members of the Authority may not receive remuneration except for reasonable living and travelling expenses, in an amount prescribed by the Minister, while away from their ordinary places of residence while exercising their powers as members of the Authority.*

4 Section 3 is amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by striking out “, with the approval of the Executive,”;**
- (b) by repealing subsection (2)(d) and substituting the following:**
 - (d) publish reports, studies and recommendations that the Executive Chair or the Authority considers necessary.
- (c) by repealing subsection (3).**

4 Section 3 presently reads:

3(1) The Authority may, with the approval of the Executive,

- (a) assist in the development of economic development strategy and priorities in Alberta;*
- (b) advise, report to and make recommendations to the Executive Council of Alberta on matters relating to economic development in Alberta;*
- (c) encourage public discussion through public consultation on matters relating to economic development in Alberta;*
- (d) identify and review current and emerging issues and policies relating to economic development in Alberta;*
- (e) carry out any other activities that the Executive Chair or the Authority considers appropriate.*

(2) The Authority in exercising its powers under subsection (1) may, if it has sufficient funds in its budget,

- (a) receive and hear submissions respecting economic development from individuals, businesses, universities and groups;*
- (b) undertake research on matters relating to economic development;*
- (c) make referrals and recommendations to, and consult and collaborate with, all levels of Government, Government agencies, professional and trade associations, businesses, universities and other persons on matters affecting and concerning economic development in Alberta;*
- (d) with the approval of the Executive, publish reports, studies and recommendations that the Executive considers necessary.*

(3) The Authority may delegate any of its powers, except the power to make bylaws, to the Executive, Board or Council or to a committee of the Executive, Board or Council.

5 The following is added after section 3:

Committees

3.1(1) The Authority may establish committees, which may include members of the public, to assist it in exercising its powers and carrying out its activities under section 3.

(2) The Authority may delegate any of its powers, except the power to make bylaws, to a committee.

6 Section 4 is amended

(a) in subsection (1)

(i) by striking out “, with the approval of the Minister,”;

(ii) by repealing clause (a) and substituting the following:

(a) subject to subsection (1.1), respecting appointments to committees;

(ii) in clause (b) by striking out “quorums of the Authority, Executive, Board and Council and their committees” **and substituting** “quorums and the conduct of meetings of the Authority and committees”;

(iii) in clause (c) by striking out “and conducting the meetings of the Authority, Executive, Board and Council and their committees” **and substituting** “of the Authority and committees”;

(iv) by adding the following after clause (c):

(d) respecting the roles of the chair and vice-chair designated under section 2(2.3) and of other Authority members.

(b) by adding the following after subsection (1):

(1.1) The term of an appointment to a committee must not exceed 3 years and must not result in the appointee serving on the committee for more than 10 consecutive years.

5 Committees.

6 Section 4 presently reads:

4(1) The Authority may, with the approval of the Minister, make bylaws

- (a) establishing committees of the Authority, Executive, Board and Council;*
- (b) providing for quorums of the Authority, Executive, Board and Council and their committees;*
- (c) respecting the conduct of the business and affairs and conducting the meetings of the Authority, Executive, Board and Council and their committees.*

(2) The Regulations Act does not apply to bylaws made under subsection (1).

(1.2) Subject to the 10-year maximum established by subsection (1.1), an appointee to a committee continues to hold office after the expiry of the appointee's term until

- (a) the appointee is reappointed,
- (b) a successor is appointed, or
- (c) a period of 3 months has elapsed,

whichever occurs first.

(1.3) The Authority shall, as soon as practicable after making a bylaw, provide a copy of the bylaw to the Minister.

7 Section 7 is repealed.

8 This Act comes into force on December 15, 2013.

7 Section 7 presently reads:

7 This Act expires on December 31, 2013 unless it is continued for a further period by an order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

8 Coming into force.

