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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES COMMISSION AMENDMENT ACT, 2016

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to _____, 2016)

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

Amends RSA 2000 cE-3

1 The *Electoral Boundaries Commission Act* is amended by
this Act.

2 Section 5(1) is amended by striking out “July 31, 2009” and
substituting “October 31, 2016”.

3 Section 12 is repealed and the following is substituted:

Population of Alberta

12(1) For the purposes of this Part, the population of Alberta is
to be determined by the Commission in accordance with this
section.

(2) In this section, “decennial census” means the most recent
decennial census of population referred to in section 19(3) of
the *Statistics Act* (Canada) from which the population of all
proposed electoral divisions is available.

(3) Subject to subsections (4) and (5), the Commission is to use

- (a) the population information as provided in the decennial
census, and

Explanatory Notes

1 Amends chapter E-3 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.

2 Section 5(1) presently reads:

5(1) A Commission is to be appointed on or before July 31, 2009.

3 Section 12 presently reads:

12(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), in this Part, “population” means the population of Alberta as provided in the most recent decennial census of population referred to in section 19(3) of the Statistics Act (Canada), from which the population of all proposed electoral divisions is available, plus the population on Indian reserves that were not included in the census, as provided by the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs (Canada).

(2) If, in the opinion of the Commission, there is some other province-wide census that is more recent than the decennial census of population referred to in section 19(3) of the Statistics Act

(b) information respecting the population on Indian reserves that are not included in the decennial census, as provided by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (Canada).

(4) If there is a province-wide census that is more recent than the decennial census and from which the population of all proposed electoral divisions is available, the Commission is to use

(a) the population information as provided in the province-wide census, and

(b) information respecting the population on Indian reserves that are not included in the province-wide census, as provided by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (Canada).

(5) The Commission may, as it considers appropriate, use more recent information respecting the population of all or any part of Alberta in conjunction with the information referred to in subsection (3) or (4).

(Canada), from which the population of all proposed electoral divisions is available, the population of Alberta for the purposes of this Part is to be determined

(a) by that province-wide census of population, and

(b) with respect to the population on Indian reserves that are not included in the census, by the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs (Canada).

(3) The Commission may use more recent population information, if available, in conjunction with the information referred to in subsection (1) or (2).

