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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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**AN ACT TO SUPPORT ORPHAN  
WELL REHABILITATION**

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THE MINISTER OF ENERGY

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First Reading . . . . .

Second Reading . . . . .

Committee of the Whole . . . . .

Third Reading . . . . .

Royal Assent . . . . .

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### AN ACT TO SUPPORT ORPHAN WELL REHABILITATION

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 2017)

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

#### Amends RSA 2000 cO-6

**1 The *Oil and Gas Conservation Act* is amended by this Act.**

**2 Section 70(1) is amended by adding the following after  
clause (a):**

- (a.1) to repay the principal and to pay interest and any other borrowing costs under a loan agreement entered into by a delegated authority established or designated under this Part for the purposes of conducting suspension, abandonment and reclamation in respect of orphan wells, facilities, facility sites and well sites;

**3 The following is added after section 76.1:**

#### **Borrowing and advances**

**76.2** The President of Treasury Board, Minister of Finance may, on behalf of the Crown, make loans to a delegated authority established or designated by regulations made under this Part.

## Explanatory Notes

**1** Amends chapter O-6 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.

**2** Section 70(1) presently reads in part:

*70(1) The purposes of the orphan fund are*

*(a) to pay for suspension costs, abandonment costs and related reclamation costs in respect of orphan wells, facilities, facility sites and well sites where the work is carried out*

*(i) by the Regulator,*

*(ii) by a person authorized by the Regulator, or*

*(iii) by a Director or a person authorized by a Director in accordance with the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act;*

**3** Borrowing and advances.

