

# BILL

No. 27 of 1917.

An Act to amend An Act respecting Local Improvements.

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1917.)

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

1. *The Local Improvement Act*, being chapter 11 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1907, is amended as follows:

1. Section 2, subsection 5: By repealing same and substituting therefor the following:

“(5) ‘Local Improvement District’ means any district other than a large district as constituted under the provisions of this Act.”

2. Section 8: By inserting therein as clause (a) thereof the following:

“(a) Constitute any territorial unit a local improvement district, assign a name and number thereto, divide the same into divisions as nearly as may be of uniform shape and area, and assign to each division a number.”

3. Section 8: By adding thereto after clause (d) the following clauses:

“(e) Sever any portion of a local improvement district and annex the same to any adjoining local improvement district or rural municipality.

“(f) Annex to any local improvement district any outlying area hereafter adjacent to but not included within the limits of any local improvement district or rural municipality.”

4. Section 8: By repealing subsection 2 thereof and substituting therefor the following:

“(2) Any order made under clause (a) of this section shall take effect only on, from and after the second Monday of December next following the date of such order; provided that the Minister may require that an order made prior to the first day of June in any year shall take effect as soon as made.”

5. By inserting after section 8a of this Act the following new section:

“8b. Every local improvement district is hereby declared to be a body corporate, and the name of the body corporate shall be “Local Improvement District of.....”, No.....”

6. By repealing sections 90 and 91, and by substituting for said section 91 the following:

“91. During the month of January in each year there shall be prepared by the Department of Municipal Affairs a statement which shall be known as “Large District Tax Enforcement Return,” verified by the solemn declaration of the officer preparing same, in such form as may by the Minister from time to time be prescribed, showing all lands in each large district upon which taxes have not been paid, together with the years for which such taxes are due, and a certified copy of this return for all purposes shall be *prima facie* evidence of the validity of the assessment

and imposition of the taxes as shown therein and that all steps and formalities prescribed by this Act have been taken and observed.”

7. By inserting as section 90 of the said Act the following new section:

“**90.** The provisions of sections 52, 53 and 54, and all of sections 225 to 248 (both inclusive) of *The Rural Municipality Act*, shall *mutatis mutandis* apply to and form part of this Act; provided that the power to borrow money on the security of a local improvement district by the issue and sale of debentures as provided for by section 227 of *The Rural Municipality Act* shall be limited to the amount the district may be required to raise for the purposes of *The Municipal Hospitals Act*.”

8. By inserting after section 91 of this Act the following new section:

“**91a.** The provisions of sections 303 to 320, both inclusive, of *The Rural Municipality Act*, as to distress for taxes and proceedings for forfeiture of land for nonpayment of taxes shall *mutatis mutandis* apply with reference to taxes levied under this Act.”