### No. 42 of 1917.

An Act respecting all Houses of Public Accommodation.

## (Assented to , 1917.)

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

#### SHORT TITLE.

1. This Act may be cited as "The Houses of Public Accommodation Act."

#### INTERPRETATION.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires: 1. "Houses of public accommodation" shall mean and include hotels and restaurants;

2. "Hotel" shall mean and include any place offering to the public, for a consideration, meals, lodgings, beds, bedrooms and sample rooms, or any of them, in which there is sleeping accommodation for at least six persons;

3. "Restaurant" shall mean and include any building, booth, tent, or part of a building in which meals are offered to be served to the public for a consideration;

4. "Municipality" shall mean and include any city, town or village.

3. The council of every municipality may pass by-laws, not inconsistent with any law or regulation having the force of law in this province, for any or all of the following purposes, and for enforcement of such by-laws by means of penalties:

(a) For licensing, regulating and governing all houses of public accommodation, and for prohibiting the granting of such licenses to any applicant who is not of good character or whose premises are not suitable for the business, and for determining the time such license shall be in force, and the fee to be paid therefor;

(b) For revoking any license so granted whenever the council of the municipality deems such revocation desirable, without stating any reason therefor, but in the case of the revocation of a license under any such by-law the treasurer of the municipality shall refund to the licensee such proportionate part of the license fee as will represent the unexpired portion of the term for which the license was granted;

(c) To refund or rebate in whole or in part any taxes, other than school taxes, paid or chargeable against any licensee of any house of public accommodation under this Act;

(d) Generally, to do and authorize such matters and things, not contrary to law, as may be deemed necessary and expedient for the purpose of providing sufficient accommodation for the travelling public, and to fix and impose fees therefor.

4. All sums collected for license fees or for penalties for offences against any by-law passed in pursuance of this Act shall be paid over to the municipality in which the licensee resides or carries on business, or in which the offence was committed. No. 42.

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# BILL

An Act respecting all Houses of Public Accommodation.

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Hon. Mr. Gariepy.

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