

# BILL

No. 45 of 1919.

The Electrical Protection Act.

(Assented to , 1919.)

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

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Electrical Protection Act.*"

2. "Board" in this Act shall mean the Workmen's Compensation Board.

3. The board shall with regard to the generation, transmission, transformation, distribution and use of electrical energy in any place or class of places, from time to time, make and enforce such regulations as appear to it to be reasonable and practicable, or necessary to provide safety and protection for the workers engaged therein. Upon such regulations being made, the same shall be of the same force and effect as if they were incorporated in this Act.

4. Before the board makes any regulations under this Act it shall publish, in such manner as it may think best adapted for informing persons affected, notice of the proposal to make regulations, and of the place where copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained, and of the time (which shall be not less than thirty days) within which any objections made with respect to the proposed regulations by or on behalf of persons affected must be sent to the board.

(2) Every objection must be in writing and state—

- (a) The proposed regulations or portions of proposed regulations objected to;
- (b) The specific grounds of objection; and
- (c) The omissions, additions or modifications asked for.

(3) The board shall consider any objection made by or on behalf of any persons appearing to it to be affected, which is sent to it within the required time, and it may, if it thinks fit, amend the proposed regulations on thirty days' notice being given to all parties interested.

(4) Where the board does not amend or withdraw any proposed regulations to which any objection has been made, then (unless the objection either is withdrawn or appears to it to be frivolous) it shall, before making the regulations, direct an inquiry and the manner of holding the same.

5. The board may at any time amend any regulation which may be passed under the authority of this Act, and the method of receiving applications for amendment, the hearing of applications and the providing of notice to all parties interested shall be the same as provided for objections to proposed regulations as set out in section 4 hereto:

Provided, however, that the board shall not amend the first regulations passed hereunder for a period of one year.

6. All electrical plant in existence at the date or established after the passing of this Act shall be subject to the regulations of the board hereinbefore referred to; provided, however, that all electrical plant in existence at the date of the passing of this Act shall be exempted from such regulations until the first day of March, 1924, but the board may provide in its discretion for the application of said regulations, or any of them, to any specified class or portion of such existing plant, either absolutely or subject to condition.

7. Printed copies of all regulations for the time being in force under this Act shall be kept posted up in a conspicuous position in such places as the regulations of the board shall direct and where they may be conveniently read by the persons employed therein. A printed copy of all such regulations shall be given by the board to any person affected thereby on his or her application.

8. The board shall have power to appoint such inspectors and other officials as may be necessary to ensure the due administration of this Act, and to assign their duties and fix their remuneration.

9. Any breach or non-observance of any provision of this Act or any regulation made thereunder shall be an offence, subjecting the offender to a penalty of not more than \$200.00 for each day during which such non-observance continues.

10. *The Electrical Workers Protection Act* is hereby repealed.

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