

# BILL

No. 44 of 1923.

An Act to amend The Mental Defectives Act.

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1923.)

**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 Mental Defectives Act Amendment Act, 1923.*"

**2.** Section 2 of *The Mental Defectives Act*, being chapter 224 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1922, is amended by adding as paragraph (c) thereof the following:

"(c) 'Superintendent' shall mean the Medical Superintendent of the Provincial Training School for Mental Deficiency."

**3.** Section 3 of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:

"**3.** The Provincial Training School for Mental Deficiency established at Oliver, Alberta, shall be for the public use of the Province as an institution for the detention, care and training of mentally defective persons."

**4.** Section 5 of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:

"**5.** Any person who desires to have any mentally defective person under his charge or control placed in an institution established for the purpose under this Act, shall make application to the Superintendent, whereupon, if after due investigation and on receipt of the prescribed forms properly completed, the application is approved by the Superintendent, he may admit such person to the said institution."

**5.** Section 13 of the said Act is amended by adding as subsections (2) and (3) thereof the following:

"(2) A mentally defective person placed in an institution under this Act otherwise than by order of the Minister after an inquiry by a justice of the peace, may be removed therefrom by his parent or guardian on giving one month's

notice in writing to the Superintendent, unless the Superintendent determines on due inquiry being made that it is to the interest of the mentally defective person, or that it is in the interest of the public, that he remain in the institution.

“(3) Any mentally defective person committed by order of the Minister after an inquiry by a justice of the peace under this Act to an institution, shall not be removed therefrom except by order of the Minister.”

**6.** Section 14 of the said Act is amended by adding after the words “maintenance of ten dollars” where they occur therein, the words “or such charge as may be fixed from time to time by the Minister.”

**7.** Section 18 of the said Act is hereby repealed.

**8.** Section 19 of the said Act is amended by adding thereto as subsection (3) thereof the following:

“(3) The Minister may from time to time amend, or substitute another form for, any of the forms contained in the schedule to this Act.”

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