

Bill No. 91 of 1936.

A BILL RESPECTING THE PREVENTION AND
TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOSIS.

NOTE.

This Bill empowers the Minister of Health to take measures for the prevention of tuberculosis and the treatment of tuberculosis patients and in particular authorizes him to operate the Central Alberta Sanatorium and to make other provision for the care and treatment of tuberculosis cases.

By section 4 it is provided that any person who has been resident in the Province for twelve successive months out of the twenty-four months immediately preceding his reception into a sanatorium shall receive hospitalization and treatment in a sanatorium without fee or charge: other persons will be required to pay such fees as may be prescribed by order in council.

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(This note does not form any part of the Bill and is offered merely as a partial explanation of some of its provisions.)

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No. 91 of 1936.

An Act respecting the Prevention and Treatment of
Tuberculosis.

(Assented to _____, 1936.)

HIS 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 Tuberculosis Act.*"
2. In this Act, unless the context requires a contrary meaning,—
 - (a) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;
 - (b) "Minister" means the Minister of Public Health;
 - (c) "Sanatorium" means the Central Alberta Sanatorium and also any hospital or part of a hospital set apart and approved by the Minister as a place for the reception of cases of tuberculosis.
3. Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Minister is hereby authorized and empowered to institute and carry on within the Province measures for the prevention of tuberculosis and for the treatment of sufferers from tuberculosis and for that purpose,—
 - (a) to operate the Central Alberta Sanatorium as a sanatorium for the reception, care and treatment of tuberculosis patients;
 - (b) with the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, to acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise land, buildings and equipment suitable for use as a sanatorium for the reception, care and treatment of tuberculosis patients;
 - (c) to enter into agreements with the board of any hospital for the setting apart of any portion thereof for the reception, care and treatment of tuberculosis patients;
 - (d) to enter into an agreement with any person upon such terms and conditions as he may deem proper for the reception, care and treatment of specified tuberculosis patients;
 - (e) with the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, to prescribe rules and regulations as to all or any of the matters following, namely, the conduct of any sanatorium operated by him under this Act, the admission and reception of patients into any sanatorium, and the discharge of patients there-

from, the appointment of the staff of any sanatorium, the qualifications of the members of the staff and their duties and remuneration and the terms and conditions of their employment, the precautions to be observed by persons suffering from tuberculosis and by persons having the custody, charge or control of any persons so suffering, and generally, measures relating to the diagnosis, prevention and control of tuberculosis, and also to provide that any person who knowingly contravenes any such rule or regulation shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of such amount not in excess of twenty-five dollars as he may prescribe together with costs and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term of not more than thirty days.

4. Persons who have been residents of the Province for twelve successive months out of the twenty-four months immediately preceding admission into any sanatorium operated by the Minister under this Act shall not be required to pay any fee or charge for hospitalization or treatment in any such sanatorium and any other persons shall be liable to the payment of such amounts for hospitalization and treatment, or either of them, as may be from time to time prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

5. Any person admitted to a hospital as a tuberculosis patient under the provisions of *The Hospitals Act* shall continue to be subject to the provisions of that Act until such time as provision is made under this Act for the transfer of such person to a sanatorium under the provisions of this Act.

6. This Act shall come into force upon a date to be fixed by Proclamation of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

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