Bill No. 81 of 1938.

A BILL TO AMEND THE COAL-MINES REGULATION ACT.

NOTE.

This Bill amends section 13 of *The Coal-mines Regulation Act*, which provides that where the amount of wages depends on the amount of mineral gotten, such person shall be paid according to the weight or admeasurement of the mineral gotten, the weighing to be done as near the mine entrance as reasonably possible or the measurement to be made at the working face. The new section provides that unless it is expressly provided to the contrary by an agreement, when the amount of wages paid depends on the amount of mineral gotten, payment shall be made according to the weight thereof, the mineral to be weighed at a place as near the mine entrance as reasonably possible.

Provision is made that where the conditions are such that the minerals from any individual place cannot be weighed separately and where the production from a number of working places are taken from one central loading point or chute, the total tonnage is to be weighed and a pro rata distribution made to the workmen engaged in the getting thereof in accordance with the extraction made from each individual working place and such pro rata distribution shall be determined by measurement.

Section 15 of the Act is amended by empowering the Minister, upon being satisfied that special circumstances prevail in the working of any mine or of any class of mines by reason of which the provisions of section 13 cannot conveniently be made applicable thereto, to exempt such mine or class of mines from the provisions of section 13 either unconditionally or subject to conditions and either for a specified period or until further order.

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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. 81 of 1938.

An Act to amend The Coal-mines Regulation Act.

(Assented to

, 1938.)

- 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 Coal-mines Regulation Act Amendment Act, 1938."
- 2. The Coal-mines Regulation Act, being chapter 24 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1930, is hereby amended as to section 13 by striking out the same and by substituting therefor the following:
- "13. Unless it is otherwise expressly provided to the contrary by an agreement between the employer and employees at any time when the amount of wages paid to any of the persons employed in a mine depends on the amount of mineral gotten by them, such persons shall be paid according to the weight of the mineral gotten by them, and such mineral shall be truly weighed accordingly at a place as near the mine entrance as reasonably possible;
- "Provided, however, that where the conditions are such that the mineral from any individual working place cannot be weighed separately and where the production from a number of working places are taken from one central loading point or chute, the total tonnage shall be truly weighed and a pro rata distribution made to the workmen engaged in the getting thereof in accordance with the extraction made from each individual working place and such pro rata distribution shall be determined by measurement."
- 3. The said Act is further amended by striking out section 15 and by substituting therefor the following:
- "15. Upon the Minister being satisfied that special circumstances prevail in the working of any mine or of any class of mines by reason of which the provisions of section 13 cannot conveniently be made applicable thereto, the Minister may from time to time, by order, exempt any such mine or class of mines from the provisions of section 13, either unconditionally or subject to such conditions as may be specified in such order, and either for a specified period or until further order, and may from time to time, by order, revoke or alter any order previously made pursuant to this section."
- 4. This Act shall come into force on the first day of August, 1938.

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