## BILL

#### No. 2 of 1939.

#### An Act to Amend the Lethbridge City Charter.

#### (Assented to

, 1939.)

WHEREAS the City of Lethbridge has prayed for certain amendments to *The Lethbridge City Charter*, being chapter 75 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1928; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition;

Therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

The Lethbridge City Charter, being chapter 75 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1928, is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section 21 of Title XXIV is amended by striking out said section 21 and substituting the following therefor:

"21. But any such by-law mentioned in subsection (c) of the preceding section shall before the final passing thereof receive the assent of sixty per cent of the burgesses voting thereon, and any such by-law mentioned in subsection (b) of the preceding section shall before the final passing thereof receive the assent of two-thirds of the burgesses voting thereon."

**2.** Title XXIV is further amended by adding thereto immediately after section 21b thereof the following section to be section 21c of the said Title XXIV:

"21c. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Act to the contrary the Council of the City of Lethbridge shall have the right and power by by-law to borrow and expend for the purpose of street improvement and street maintenance, at a cost to be borne entirely by the municipality at large, in each of the years 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942 and 1943, a sum or sums not exceeding in any one of such years an aggregate sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,-000.00), and shall have the right and power by by-law without submitting any such by-law to a vote of the burgesses and without compliance with the provisions of *The Public Utilities Act*, 1923, to borrow and raise for the purposes aforesaid the sum or sums above mentioned or any part thereof upon the credit of the municipality at large secured by the issue of debentures." **3.** Title XXIV is further amended by adding thereto immediately after section 30 thereof the following section to be section 30*a* of said Title XXIV:

"**30***a*. The Council of the City of Lethbridge shall have the right and power by by-law to inaugurate, establish and provide for a scheme for pensions and/or retirement allowances for officers and employees of the City of Lethbridge, and to make provision by by-law for the City of Lethbridge to become a party to any such scheme, and for contribution by the City of Lethbridge to any fund established pursuant to any such scheme; but no such by-law shall have any force or effect unless before the final passing thereof it shall have received the assent of sixty per cent of the burgesses voting thereon."

**4.** Title XXXII is amended by adding thereto immediately after section 1 thereof the following section to be section 1a of said Title XXXII:

"1a. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Act to the contrary, the Council of the City of Lethbridge may by by-law provide for the levy of taxes or rates at a reduced rate on each and every parcel of farm lands within the City of not less than three (3) acres in extent as well as on farm buildings and other farm improvements on any such parcel of farm lands; provided that the rate of such reduced taxation shall not in any year be less than fifteen mills on the dollar for school purposes and not less than ten mills on the dollar for other purposes exclusive of local improvement taxes and other special rates; and provided further that the Council may by by-law provide that farm buildings and other farm improvements on any such parcel of farm lands shall be partially exempt from taxation on any amount assessed, such exemption not to be more than twothirds of the assessment thereof, but such exemption to be valid and effective notwithstanding that the exemption provided for other buildings and improvements under section 7 of Title XXXII may be less than two-thirds of their assessment, and it is hereby declared that greenhouses are not to be deemed to be included in the expression farm buildings and other farm improvements."

**5.** This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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DR. CAMPBELL.

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