Bill No. 28 of 1939.

A BILL TO AMEND THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA HOSPITAL ACT, 1929.

NOTE.

This Bill amends The University of Alberta Hospital Act, 1929, by making provision for the revision and adjustment at ten year intervals by arbitration of the amount payable by the City of Edmonton to the University Hospital in respect of in-patients of the University which is fixed by the Act at $37\frac{1}{2}$ cents per day for each in-patient.

R. Andrew Smith,

Legislative Counsel.

(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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(Assented to

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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 University of Alberta Hospital Act, 1929, Amendment Act, 1939."
- 2. The University of Alberta Hospital Act, 1929, being chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1929, is hereby amended by adding immediately after section 9 thereof the following new section:
- "9a.—(1) The City of Edmonton shall pay annually to the Board the sum of thirty-seven and one-half cents per day or part of the day for each in-patient in the said hospital or in any addition thereto or extension thereof who is a resident of the city or such other sum as may be from time to time fixed by arbitration pursuant to the other provisions of this section.
- "(2) For the purpose of fixing the amount payable by the city at such an amount as is fair and just for the time being, having regard to prevailing economic and industrial conditions and the costs of hospital facilities furnished by the Board to the city, either the city or the Board may take the proceedings hereinafter mentioned.
- "(3) Such proceedings may be taken in the first instance at any time after the coming into force of this section and subsequently thereto at any time after the expiration of ten years after the termination of the last preceding proceeding.
- "(4) Either the city or the Board may serve upon the other a notice in writing requiring that the amount payable by the city to the Board under this Act be fixed by arbitrators as herein provided.
- "(5) Within thirty days after the serving of any such notice, the city and the Board shall each appoint an arbitrator and within sixty days after the serving of the notice the arbitrators so appointed shall appoint a third arbitrator, and the three arbitrators shall proceed without delay after hearing such evidence as may be offered by or

on behalf of the city and the Board respectively to fix such amount as the amount payable by the city under subsection (1) as appears to the arbitrators to be fair and just for the time being, having regard to the prevailing economic and industrial conditions and the cost of the hospital facilities furnished by the Board to the city.

- "(6) In case default is made in the appointment of any arbitrator, either by the city or the Board, either of them may apply, upon notice to the other, to a Judge of the Supreme Court in Chambers at Edmonton to make such appointment and upon any such application, the Judge shall proceed by Order to appoint as an arbitrator such person as he deems fit and proper.
- "(7) The decision of the arbitrators or of any two of them shall be conclusive and binding upon the city and the Board and the sum fixed by the arbitrators shall be the sum payable by the city pursuant to subsection (1) hereof until such time as another sum is fixed in lieu thereof pursuant to this section.
- "(8) The payments made pursuant to the provisions of this section by the city to the Board shall be in lieu of any payments which, but for this Act, the city would have been liable to pay to the Board under the provisions of section 5 of *The Hospitals Act*, 1938, for the care and treatment in the hospital of any indigent sick resident of the city, as defined in the last mentioned Act.
- "(9) Nothing in this section shall affect the liability of any patient who is not an indigent resident of the city as aforesaid to pay for his treatment in the hospital nor the right of the Board to receive and retain any payments made by any such patient."
- 3.—(1) Section 3 of *The University of Alberta Hospitals Act*, being chapter 7 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1924, is hereby repealed.
- $\boldsymbol{4.}$ This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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