Bill No. 59 of 1942.

A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVYING OF CHARGES FOR SEWER SERVICES IN THE TOWN OF CLARESHOLM.

NOTE.

This Bill introduces a new Act. It enables the Town of Claresholm to levy and collect charges from persons whose premises are served by a connection to the town's sewage facilities. The fees are to be subject to the approval of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners.

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Acting Legislative Counsel.

(This note does not form any part of the Bill but is offered in explanation of its provisions.)

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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 Claresholm Sewer Service Charges Act."
- 2. The Council of the Town of Claresholm, which has installed or is installing or may install for public use, pursuant to the provisions of *The Town and Village Act*, a system of sewerage, sewage pumping stations or sewage treatment or purification works, any and all of which are hereinafter termed "sanitary utilities", may by by-law,—
 - (a) provide for the operation and management of the sanitary utilities;
 - (b) subject to the other provisions of this Act, establish, and from time to time vary a scale of fees to be known as "sewer service charges";
 - (c) make provision for the imposition, collection, payment and disposition of the sewer service charges, and in particular, may fix the time or times when and the places where the rates are to be payable, and allow a discount for the prompt payment of rates and impose penalties in respect of failure in the punctual payment thereof as in the case of general municipal taxation.
 - 3.—(1) The sewer service charges may be based upon,—
 - (a) the metered consumption of water or the flat rate charged for water on premises connected with the sanitary utilities, due allowance being made for commercial use of water;
 - (b) the number and kind of plumbing fixtures connected with the sanitary utilities;
 - (c) the number of persons served by the sanitary utilities;
 - (d) the annual cost to the town, including capital requirements, interest charges, and expenses of maintenance and operation;

- (e) such other considerations as the Council deems equitable and proper.
- (2) The sewer service charges shall be submitted to the Board of Public Utility Commissioners, which may approve, vary or disallow the same.
- (3) The sewer service charges shall become operative after they have been approved, or varied and approved, by the Board of Public Utility Commissioners.
- 4. Every person, firm or corporation, being the registered owner or the purchaser entitled to possession under an agreement for sale of property which is served directly or indirectly by a connection with the sanitary utilities shall pay to the town the sewer service charges so approved and ratified, at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the Council.
- 5. The collection of the sewer service charges may be enforced by action in any Court of competent jurisdiction or by distress upon and seizure of the goods and chattels of the owner or purchaser of the premises, and the sewer service charges in default shall constitute a lien and charge upon the property served by the sanitary utilities, such lien or charge to be subject to the same penalties and to be collectable in the same manner as other taxes levied by the town.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbf{6}}.$ This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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