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No 45 of 1931.

An Act to amend The Municipal Hospitals Act, 1929

(Assented to _____, 1931)

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 Municipal Hospitals Act, 1929, Amendment Act, 1931*"

2. *The Municipal Hospitals Act, 1929*, being chapter 23 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1929, is hereby amended as to section 4 thereof by striking out the words "ten per centum of the resident ratepayers" where the same occur in paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) thereof and by substituting therefor the words "twenty-five per centum of the resident ratepayers"

3. The said Act is further amended as to section 11 thereof—

- (a) by striking out subsection (2) of the said section,
- (b) by adding at the end of the said section the following new subsection

"(6) Any corporation being a ratepayer and having its head office elsewhere than in the district in which it is a ratepayer, may from time to time, by writing delivered to the board, nominate one agent or representative employed by such corporation and resident in the district, and thereupon the person so nominated shall be deemed to be a ratepayer of the district until he ceases to be a resident of the district or until the corporation nominates in the manner aforesaid another person in his stead, whichever event first happens"

4. The said Act is further amended by inserting immediately after section 12 thereof the following new section

"12a.—(1) Any scheme may provide that the board may enter into an agreement with one or more qualified medical practitioners for the purpose of providing medical service to the residents of the hospital district, either without charge or at such a rate of payment as may be fixed in the agreement, and every such agreement shall provide for the payment by the district of the remuneration payable to the medical practitioner or practitioners for the services to be rendered, and shall specify the area in which and the term during which such services are to be rendered.

"(2) In the case of any scheme which does not contain the provision last mentioned, such scheme may be varied so as to include such a provision

"Provided that such variation shall have been submitted for ratification to the same persons who would have been entitled to vote thereon if the variation to the scheme had been an original scheme, and all the provisions of this Act relating to the taking of a poll for the ratification of an original scheme shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to a poll taken for the ratification of such variation."

5. The said Act is further amended as to section 19 thereof by striking out the words "and name a polling place in each division" where the same occur in subsection (1) thereof, and by substituting therefor the words "and name a polling place in each division and appoint a deputy returning officer for each such division."

6. The said Act is further amended as to section 20 thereof by adding after subsection (4) thereof the following new subsection:

"(4a) In case a petition is delivered to the Minister for the addition of an area to a hospital district and if it is proved to the satisfaction of the Minister that such petition has been signed by seventy-five per centum of the resident ratepayers in such area, the Minister may, at any time after a scheme has been ratified by order, include such area in the district."

7. The said Act is further amended as to section 29 thereof by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(7) Upon any addition being made to a district, the board may, for the purpose of providing additional hospital accommodation and equipment, issue debentures in addition to the debentures it was authorized to issue immediately before such addition being made, to an amount which bears the same proportion to the amount of the debentures it was authorized to issue immediately before such addition as the area of such addition bears to the area of the district immediately before the making of such addition."

8. The said Act is further amended by adding at the end of section 31 the words "and also the wife or husband, as the case may be, of any person so eligible as aforesaid."

9. The said Act is further amended as to section 55 thereof by adding thereto the following new subsection:

"(4) In the case of a member or members representing a contributing council, the amount payable to such member or members for attendance at the meetings of the board shall not exceed ten per centum of the contribution of the council which such member or members represent."

10. The said Act is further amended as to section 58 thereof by striking out subsection (2) thereof and by substituting therefor the following:

"(2) The sums borrowed under the provisions of this section and remaining unpaid to the lender shall not exceed the aggregate total amount of the sums requisitioned for."

11. The said Act is further amended by inserting therein, immediately after section 58, the following new section:

"58a. The board of any hospital district may, with the consent of the Minister, borrow such sums as the board deems necessary on the security of accounts for hospital services receivable by the board and may hypothecate such accounts by way of security for the repayment of any money so borrowed."

12. The said Act is further amended by inserting therein, immediately after section 65, the following new section:

"65a.—(1) The Minister may in his discretion, when requested so to do by a resolution of the board, make an order that a Department of the Provincial Government, to be designated in such order, undertake the administration of the debenture indebtedness of the district and thereupon the board shall transmit to the Minister in charge of such Department all sums held by the board by way of a sinking fund in respect of such indebtedness, and shall from time to time pay such sums of money as he shall from time to time require for the purpose of paying any sums payable or to become payable in respect of such debenture indebtedness, including any sums required for sinking fund purposes."

"(2) In case the debenture indebtedness of a district is administered by a Department of the Government, the board may in any year, with the consent of the Minister, exceed the amount of money for which it is empowered by the scheme to requisition."

"Provided that the amount of the excess shall not be more than the amount required to provide for the payments due or accruing due in that year for principal or interest or both in respect of such debenture indebtedness."

"(3) In the case of a district in respect of which an order has been made under this section in the year 1931, if the board has made the requisitions authorized by this Act and a further requisition is necessary to raise any money payable pursuant to this section, the board may at any time before the first day of July, 1931, make a supplementary requisition for the amount so required and all the provisions of sections 66 to 76, both inclusive, of this Act shall *mutatis mutandis* apply to every supplementary requisition made pursuant to this section, and every municipality to which such supplementary requisition is made shall deal with the same for all purposes as if it had been the original requisition for the year."

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