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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES ELECTION ACT**

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*(Assented to , 1986)*

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the  
Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

- 1 This Act will amend the Local Authorities Election Act.*
- 2 Section 118 is amended by striking out “The following expenses” and substituting “Subject to any by-law made pursuant to Part 4.1, the following expenses”.*

- 3 The following is added after Part 4:*

## **Explanatory Notes**

**1** This Bill will amend chapter L-27.5 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1983.

**2** Section 118 presently reads:

*118 The following expenses shall be held to be lawfully incurred and the payment of them is not a contravention of this Act:*

*(a) the actual personal expenses of the candidate;*

*(b) the cost of acquiring premises, accommodation, goods or services used for proper election campaign purposes;*

*(c) bona fide payments for the fair cost of printing and advertising;*

*(d) reasonable and ordinary payment to any person for the hire of transportation used*

*(i) by a candidate or speakers in travelling to and from public meetings, or*

*(ii) by any person in connection with and for the proper purposes of an election.*

**3** Will authorize a council to pass by-laws controlling election expenses and contributions and requiring publication of them and specifying penalties for failure to comply.

## **PART 4.1**

### **ELECTION EXPENSES AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

#### **115.1** A council may make by-laws

- (a) establishing a limit on the expenses that may be incurred by or on behalf of a candidate for the purposes of a by-election or a general election and defining expenses for the purposes of the by-law;
- (b) establishing a limit on contributions that may be made to a candidate for the purposes of a by-election or a general election and defining contributions for the purposes of the by-law;
- (c) providing that the amount and donor of every contribution exceeding a prescribed limit shall be declared in writing by every candidate at a by-election or general election within a prescribed time limit after the election;
- (d) specifying the persons who are eligible to give contributions to a candidate for the purposes of a by-election or general election;
- (e) providing for a fine not exceeding \$1000 as a penalty for a breach of the by-laws passed pursuant to this section;
- (f) providing that a person who has been elected to the council may not sit or vote on the council unless he has made such declaration of his expenses and contributions as are required by the by-laws;
- (g) providing that the election of a person who has been elected to the council but who fails to make such a declaration of his expenses and contributions as required by the by-laws within 90 days of the day of the election shall be void.

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*In accordance with section 4(1) of the Interpretation Act, this Bill comes into force on the date it receives Royal Assent.*

