

**1998**

**CHAPTER 30**

An Act to amend *The Oil and Gas Conservation Act*

(Assented to June 11, 1998)

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

**Short title**

**1** This Act may be cited as *The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 1998*.

**R.S.S. 1978, c.O-2 amended**

**2** *The Oil and Gas Conservation Act* is amended in the manner set forth in this Act.

**Section 18 amended**

**3** **Clause 18(c) is amended by striking out “department” and substituting “department, and prescribing penalties for failure to comply with those requirements”.**

**New section 56.1**

**4** **The following section is added after section 56:**

**“Suspension of section 55 or 56**

**56.1(1)** In this section, ‘**permit**’ means:

- (a) in the case of a minister’s order pursuant to subsection (2) respecting section 55, a permit granted pursuant to section 55;
- (b) in the case of a minister’s order pursuant to subsection (2) respecting section 56, a permit granted pursuant to section 56;
- (c) in the case of a minister’s order pursuant to subsection (2) respecting both sections 55 and 56, a permit granted pursuant to section 55, section 56 or both sections 55 and 56.

(2) The minister may, by order, suspend the requirements and the operation of section 55, section 56 or both sections 55 and 56.

(3) A permit that was in force on the day an order was made pursuant to subsection (2) continues in force, but the person who, on the day the order comes into force, holds the permit is not required to comply with the terms and conditions of the permit while the order is in force.

- (4) If the minister rescinds an order made pursuant to subsection (2):
- (a) a permit that was in force on the day the order was made continues in force after the rescinding of the order, subject to the terms and conditions of the permit, unless the holder of the permit has voluntarily cancelled or surrendered the permit to the minister or the permit has expired; and
  - (b) the holder of the permit may rely on the permit without having to obtain a new permit”.

**Coming into force**

- 5** This Act comes into force on assent.