

# IMPARTIAL JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES BOARD

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The dominant feature of labour relations in the construction industry is craft unionism. Unions and union members define themselves by their particular skills. Occasionally, there are disputes about which trade should be assigned work. These jurisdictional differences are worked out between unions, sometimes at the international level. See: [[Jurisdictional Disputes, Chapter 25\(l\)](#)].

Division 9 of Part 3 of the [Labour Relations Code](#) allows for the creation of an Alberta Impartial Jurisdictional Disputes Board. This tribunal can make any regulations considered necessary for the purpose of effecting the final and binding settlement of difference arising in the construction industry with respect to the assignment of work to members of a trade union.

The Alberta Impartial Jurisdictional Disputes Resolution Tribunal has not yet been struck by the government. Instead, the government has allowed the building trades to handle their own jurisdictional disputes.