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An Act Respecting the Department of Agriculture.

His Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows :

Short title

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1. This Act may be cited as "The Agriculture Department Act. "

ORGANISATION ,OFFICERS AND FUNCTIONS OF DEPARTMENT.

Organisation.

2. There shall be a department of the public service of the province to be called the department of Agriculture, over which the member of the Executive Council appointed by the Lieutenant Governor under the seal of the Province to discharge the functions of the Minister of Agriculture for the time being shall preside.

Minister of
Agriculture.

Province of
Department.

3. All that part of the administration of the government of the Province which relates to agriculture, statistics and the public health (including hospitals) shall be under the control of the department.

Officers and
Clerks.

4. The Lieutenant Governor may at any time appoint such other officers, clerks or servants as may be required to carry on the business of the department all of whom shall hold office during pleasure

Duties of
Department

5. It shall be the duty of the department to institute inquiries and collect facts and statistics

relating to agricultural, manufacturing or other interests of the Province ; and to adopt measures for circulating and disseminating the same in such manner and form as may be found best adapted to promote the progress of the Province ; and to see to the observance and execution of the provisions contained in all Acts relating to agriculture, statistics and public health.

Annual Report.

6. A report of the work of the Department shall be prepared yearly and laid on the table of the Legislative Assembly within fifteen days after the commencement of the next ensuing session thereof; and it shall be the duty of the department from time to time to issue such reports, circulars, and other publications as the minister may deem advisable.

Persons required to furnish information to Department.

7. All officers of all agricultural societies, municipal councils, villages, local improvement districts, school boards, public institutions, incorporated companies and all public officers of the Province and all medical practitioners and veterinary surgeons shall promptly answer all communications from the department; and shall from time to time collect and tabulate facts according to instructions to be furnished them from the department; and shall make diligent efforts to supply correct information on all questions submitted to them; and any such person neglecting or refusing to comply with the aforesaid provisions of this section (when requested to so comply by the minister) shall be guilty of an offence and on summary conviction thereof before a Justice of the Peace be liable to a penalty

penalty not exceeding \$25.00

8. All enactments and provisions of law inconsistent with or repugnant to this Act are hereby repealed.

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