Bill No. 30 of 1946.

A BILL TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF DISEASES AMONG LIVE STOCK

NOTE.

This Bill enacts new legislation and its purpose is to deal with matters which are either not covered by the Dominion Act, viz: *The Animals Contagious Diseases Act*, or matters with respect to which regulations have not been made under the Dominion Act.

Section 3 authorizes the making of regulations on the various matters therein set out.

Section 5 gives inspectors appointed under the Act the right of access to any premises to carry out their powers and duties, and "premises" has a wide definition (see section 2 (e)).

Section 6 gives the Minister power of delegation of his duties under the Act to the Provincial Veterinarian or an inspector.

Sections 7 and 8 declare certain things to be offences and prescribe penalties.

Section 9 is inserted to show the intention of the Legislature as the Provincial legislation must not be repugnant to the Dominion Act.

W. S. GRAY, Legislative Counsel.

(This note does not form any part of the Bill but is offered in explanation of its provisions.)

BILL

No. 30 of 1946.

An Act to Prevent the Spread of Diseases Among Live Stock.

(Assented to

, 1946.)

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

SHORT TITLE.

1. This Act may be cited as "The Live Stock Diseases Act."

INTERPRETATION.

- 2. In this Act and in any regulations made hereunder, unless the context otherwise requires,—
 - (a) "Infectious disease" means a disease that is communicable in any manner;
 - (b) "Inspector" means any inspector or other officer or person appointed or authorized by the Minister to perform any duty under this Act or under any regulation;
 - (c) "Live stock" means all domestic and captive animals, and birds kept for pleasure or for propagation, gain or profit, and all products therefrom;
 - (d) "Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture;
 - (e) "Premises" means any place where live stock are ordinarily kept, and includes farms, stockyards, live stock depots, exhibition and show barns, trucks or other conveyances for transporting animals for any purpose and any place where animals may be found;
 - (f) "Regulation" means a regulation made under the authority of this Act.
- 3.—(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations in respect of the following matters:
 - (a) The inspection of premises where live stock are kept;
 - (b) The manner in and conditions under which live stock are held, transported, processed and otherwise handled;
 - (c) The procedure to be followed in controlling or eradicating any disease which is not being controlled or eradicated;

- (d) The isolation and segregation of animals suspected of suffering with an infectious disease, or which have come in contact with animals affected, or suspected of being affected with such, and for the prevention of the spread of infectious diseases generally;
- (e) The destruction of any diseased animal or animal suffering from an infection;
- (f) Generally for carrying into effect the provisions of this Act.
- (2) Any regulations made pursuant to subsection (1) shall be published in *The Alberta Gazette*, and shall take effect upon publication or upon such later date as may be fixed in the order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- **4.** With the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and subject to the provisions of *The Public Service Efficiency Act*, the Minister may appoint qualified inspectors for the purposes of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act and shall prescribe their duties and fix their remuneration.
- 5. Every inspector appointed hereunder shall have full right of access to any premises for the purpose of carrying out any duties or powers imposed or conferred upon him by any provision of this Act or of the regulations made hereunder.
- **6.** When in this Act or the regulations made hereunder anything is permitted or directed to be done by the Minister, he may in his discretion from time to time direct that it be done on his behalf by the Provincial Veterinarian or by an inspector.
- **7.** Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act, or any orders or regulations made hereunder, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, or to both fine and imprisonment.
- 8. Any person refusing to allow any inspector to enter any premises, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one month, or to both fine and imprisonment.
- **9.** The provisions of this Act shall not be so construed as to authorize the doing of any act or thing which is not within the legislative competence of the Legislature.
- 10. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

THIRD SESSION

TENTH LEGISLATURE

10 GEORGE VI

1946

BILL

An Act to Prevent the Spread of Diseases Among Live Stock.

Received and read the

First time

Second time

Third time

HON. MR. MACMILLAN.

EDMONTON:
A. Shnitka, King's Printer
1946