

Bill No. 31 of 1946.

A BILL TO AMEND THE SETTING OF POISON ACT

NOTE.

Section 1 of this Bill amends subsection (1) of section 3 of the Act, which subsection authorizes any person to set out poison on his own premises in the manner prescribed in the subsection. The amendment prohibits the setting out of poison for the purpose of killing big game, fur-bearing animals or game birds, which makes this Act consistent with *The Game Act* in this respect.

Section 4a enacted by section 2 of the Bill authorizes the Fish and Game Commissioner to distribute "Coyote Getters" with shells containing poison in certain areas but only to game officers and persons recommended by them or by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Under the proposed new Game Act, 1946, game officers are officials appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

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Legislative Counsel.

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

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(Assented to _____, 1946.)

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

1. *The Setting of Poison Act*, being chapter 11 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1943, is hereby amended as to section 3 by adding immediately at the end of subsection (1) thereof the words "and provided further that the poison may not be set out for the purpose of taking or killing any big game, furbearing animals or game birds as defined in *The Game Act*, 1946."

2. The said Act is further amended by adding immediately after section 4 thereof the following new section:

"4a.—(1) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Act or of *The Alberta Pharmaceutical Association Act*, the Fish and Game Commissioner of the Department of Lands and Mines may distribute or arrange for the distribution of coyote guns commonly known as "Coyote Getters" together with shells containing poison to be set out in any part of the Province for the purpose of exterminating coyotes and wolves.

"(2) The said guns and shells shall only be distributed and set out in areas where coyotes or wolves are prevalent and only to game officers appointed pursuant to *The Game Act*, 1946, or to persons recommended by a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or by a game officer."

3. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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