Bill No. 67 of 1946.

A BILL TO AMEND THE LICENSING OF TRADES AND BUSINESSES ACT

NOTE.

Section 1 of this Bill introduces two new sections, 4a and 4b into the above Act. Section 4a deals with collection agencies, as defined, and authorizes the Minister to make regulations governing their operation and license, when they have been designated by the Minister as businesses to which the Act applies. The most important regulation which the Minister may make is one requiring the applicant for a license to give a bond to the Minister in such amount and on such terms as the regulation may prescribe.

Section 4b deals with tourist camps and also authorizes the Minister to make regulations governing them, when they are designated as businesses to which the Act applies.

Section 9 of the Act which is amended by section 2 of the Bill authorizes the Minister to cancel or suspend any license issued under the Act, if he is satified that the licensee has on more than one occasion contravened any of a number of specified Acts or regulations made under them. The amendment adds to these Acts *The Public Health Act* and *The Town Planning Act*.

W. S. GRAY, 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 Licensing of Trades and Businesses Act, being chapter 313 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended by adding immediately after section 4 thereof the following new sections:

"4a.—(1) In this section "collection agency" shall mean a person who carries on the business of collecting debts for other persons by taking assignments of debts or otherwise in consideration of the payment of a commission or other remuneration, but shall not include,—

- "(a) any barrister or solicitor or his employee in the practice of his profession,
- "(b) any assignee, custodian, liquidator, trustee or other person acting under the provisions of *The Bankruptcy Act, The Companies Act,* either of the Dominion or the Province, *The Winding-up Act* or under the provisions of an order of any court,
- "(c) any insurer, agent or broker or his employee, licensed under *The Alberta Insurance Act* to the extent of the business authorized by such license,
- "(d) any real estate broker or salesman licensed under The Real Estate Agents Licensing Act to the extent of the business authorized by such license,
- "(e) any bank to which The Bank Act applies.

"(2) Upon the business of a collection agency or any description or class thereof being designated by the Minister as a business or description or class thereof to which this Act applies, the Minister may make regulations with respect to such business or description or class thereof,—

- "(a) prescribing standards governing the conduct, operation and management of any such business or description or class thereof;
- "(b) prohibiting the doing of anything in the conduct, management or operation of any such business or description or class thereof, which the Minister considers to be not in the public interest;
- "(c) requiring as a condition precedent to the granting of a license under this Act with respect to any such

business or description or class thereof, that a bond be given to the Minister by the person applying for the license and fixing the amount of such bond and the terms and conditions of the same;

"(d) prescribing the manner in which any bond in respect of which there has been any default and the proceeds of the same shall be dealt with.

"(3) The Minister shall have the authority to accept any bond required by the regulations and deal with the bond and the proceeds of the same in such manner as may be provided by the regulations in that regard.

"(4) The right of the Minister to make regulations pursuant to this section shall be in addition to and shall not in any way restrict the right of the Minister to make regulations or orders with respect to collection agencies under the other provisions of this Act.

"4b.—(1) "Tourist camp" means any land or premises equipped with cabins used or maintained for the accommodation of the public and any land or premises used or maintained as a camping or parking ground for the public without regard to whether a fee or charge is paid or made for the rental or use of the same.

"(2) Upon the business of a tourist camp being designated by the Minister as a business or description or class thereof to which this Act applies, the Minister may make regulations with respect to such business or description or class thereof.

- "(a) prescribing different classifications for tourist camps according to the equipment and facilities provided for the accommodation of the public and prescribing the equipment and facilities required for each classification;
- "(b) prescribing standards governing the conduct, operation and management of any such business or description or class thereof;
- "(c) prohibiting the doing of anything in the conduct, management or operation of any such business or description or class thereof, which the Minister considers to be not in the public interest.

"(3) The right of the Minister to make regulations pursuant to this section shall be in addition to and shall not in any way restrict the right of the Minister to make regulations or orders with respect to tourist camps under the other provisions of this Act."

2. The said Act is further amended as to section 9 by adding immediately after the words "The Hours of Work Act", where the same occur in the eighth line thereof, the words "The Public Health Act, The Town Planning Act, The Criminal Code of Canada."

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

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