Bill No. 35 of 1947.

A BILL TO AMEND THE AMUSEMENTS ACT

NOTE.

The amendments proposed by the Bill to the above Act provide for the licensing of carnivals or carnival shows as they are described in the Act.

Section 1 of the Bill defines "carnival show" and strikes the words "carnival show" out of the definition of "place of amusement."

The other amendments do not change the present Act except to introduce the words "carnival show" where necessary.

In section 3 of the Bill enacting a new section 4 of the Act there is one change. Subsection (2) of the new section 4 authorizes the Minister to issue a license restricted to a specified period in the year of issue, as carnivals are only operated for limited periods.

Section 5 of the Bill changes from "three" to "five" the maximum number of members on the Advisory Board re moving picture operators.

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. 35 of 1947.

An Act to amend The Amusements Act.

(Assented to

, 1947.)

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

1. The Amusements Act, being chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended as to section 2,—

(a) by adding immediately after paragraph (a) thereof, the following new paragraph:

- "(aa) 'Carnival show' means any show whether open-air or indoors, consisting wholly or in part of one or more games or other form of amusement or entertainment, the purpose or result of the operation of which is to obtain money from the persons who attend such show and participate or take part in any way in such game or other form of amusement or entertainment;";
- (b) by striking out the words "carnival show" where the same occur in clause (iii) of paragraph (i) thereof.

2. The said Act is further amended as to section 3 by striking out subsection (1) thereof and by substituting therefor the following:

"3.—(1) No owner or any other person shall directly or indirectly,—

"(a) conduct, operate or manage any place of amusement or open it for the reception of the public therein upon payment of an admission price; or

"(b) conduct, operate or manage any carnival show; or

- "(c) conduct, operate or manage a film exchange; or
- "(d) conduct, operate or manage any travelling amusement or travelling picture show,—

unless he is the holder of a valid and subsisting license issued pursuant to this Act and has complied with all the provisions of this Act and the Regulations in respect of the place of amusement, carnival show, film exchange, travelling amusement or travelling picture show, as the case may be. **3.** The said Act is further amended as to section 4 by striking out the same and by substituting therefor the following:

"4.—(1) A license to conduct or operate a place of amusement, carnival show, film exchange, travelling amusement or travelling picture show, may be issued by the Minister upon receipt of a written application therefor from the applicant in such form as the Minister may prescribe, and upon payment of such license fees as may be required by the regulations.

"(2) The Minister may in his discretion in any case issue a license restricted to a specified period in the year of issue or expiring on a day prior to the thirty-first day of December in the year of issue, and every such license shall expire on the expiration of the specified period or date of expiration fixed in the license.

"(3) Every license issued by the Minister other than those to which subsection (2) applies, shall expire on the thirty-first day of December following the date of its issue.

"(4) The Minister may at any time require any owner or other person to give information in writing under oath or otherwise or to produce any contract, agreement or other document relating to any amusement, place of amusement or carnival show in respect of which application is being made for a license or which is required to be licensed pursuant to the provisions of this Act."

4. The said Act is further amended as to section 5 by striking out the same and by substituting therefor the following:

"5.—(1) The owner or operator of any place of amusement or carnival show shall at all times display the license therefor in a conspicuous place therein.

"(2) The owner or operator shall on demand produce the license to any inspector or peace officer."

5. The said Act is further amended as to section 18a by striking out the word "three", where the same occurs in subsection (1) thereof, and by substituting therefor the word "five".

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

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