

Bill No. 62 of 1948.

A BILL RESPECTING THE OFFICE OF
AGENT-GENERAL

NOTE.

This Bill introduces a new Act.

The Bill provides for the appointment of a person to act as Agent-General for Alberta who shall hold office during pleasure. It is the duty of the Agent-General to act as representative and resident agent of Alberta in the United Kingdom.

The Act authorizes the acquisition of premises and other necessary property with the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

It also enables the Lieutenant Governor in Council to authorize the Agent-General to employ such staff as may be necessary to enable him to perform the duties assigned to him 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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An Act respecting the Office of Agent-General.

(Assented to _____, 1948.)

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

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Agent-General Act*."
2. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint a person to act as Agent-General for Alberta, who shall hold office during pleasure and shall, while acting as Agent-General, have a seal of office.
3. It shall be the duty of the Agent-General to act as representative and resident agent of the Province in the United Kingdom, and in that capacity to do and perform such acts, matters, and things as may be prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
4. The Agent-General may, within the limits of the United Kingdom, exercise all the functions of a commissioner for taking oaths under *The Commissioners for Oaths Act*, and of a notary public under *The Notaries Public Act*, and all acts, matters, and things done or affirmations and declarations taken by him under and by virtue of this section and attested by his official seal shall be as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as if performed within the Province by a commissioner for taking oaths or notary public appointed or commissioned under the said Acts respectively.
5. With the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the Minister of Public Works or the Agent-General is empowered to acquire on behalf of the Government of the Province of Alberta, by purchase, lease, or otherwise any real or personal property, and sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of such property on such terms and conditions as may be deemed advisable.
6. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may from time to time authorize the Agent-General to employ such officers, agents, clerks and servants as may from time to time be required by the Agent-General for the performance of his duties.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may vest in the Agent-General such duties and such authorities and powers as are deemed necessary or advisable for the purpose of enabling the Agent-General to conduct and perform his duties and may make such regulations as are deemed necessary or advisable for carrying out the provisions of this Act according to their true intent or to facilitate the efficient administration thereof.

8. Any moneys required for the administration of this Act or for carrying out any of the provisions hereof shall be paid out of such moneys as may be appropriated by the Legislative Assembly for the purpose, and in the absence of any vote of the Legislative Assembly available therefor, shall be paid out of the General Revenue Fund.

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

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