

Bill No. 37 of 1950.

A BILL TO AMEND THE INDUSTRIAL WAGES
SECURITY ACT.

NOTE.

This Bill amends *The Industrial Wages Security Act*, being chapter 281 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942.

Section 2 of the Act is amended by including a definition of "wage" and "wages".

Section 5 of the Act is amended to overcome certain difficulties which have been arising in the administration of the Act. Whereas in the present section June 1st has been set as the arbitrary date on which security for wages must be filed by employers engaged in designated industries, it has been found in some designated industries that operations do not commence until some time subsequent to June 1st. Accordingly, it is proposed to substitute "the date of commencement of operations" as the date by which security for wages must be lodged with the Minister. The amendment would also overcome the argument advanced by employers that they are not required to furnish security for wages before June 1st even though they may have been operating from the first of the year.

Section 5 is further amended by adding a new clause (b) and by relettering the present clause (b) as clause (c). The purpose of this amendment is to require employers who have defaulted in payment of wages to furnish greater security than is required of an employer who has never defaulted in the payment of wages.

Section 12 of the Act is amended as to subsection (2) by including an alternative sentence of imprisonment in default of payment of the fine.

Section 13 is amended by including a minimum fine of one hundred dollars.

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Acting Legislative Counsel.

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

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No. 37 of 1950.

An Act to amend The Industrial Wages Security Act.

(Assented to _____, 1950.)

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

1. *The Industrial Wages Security Act*, being chapter 281 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended as to section 2,—

(a) by adding immediately after clause (e) the following new clause:

“(f) ‘wage’ and ‘wages’ includes any compensation for labour or services measured by time, by the amount of work performed, by piece work or otherwise;”;

(b) by relettering the present clause (f) as clause (g).

2. The said Act is further amended as to section 5,—

(a) by striking out subsection (1) and by substituting the following:

“5.—(1) Every employer who is engaged in a designated industry shall lodge with the Minister, prior to the date of commencement of operations in any year, security for the payment of wages to workmen employed by him during the period of twelve months from the date of commencement of operations in each designated industry in which he is engaged.”;

(b) by striking out the words “first day of June”, where they occur in clause (a) of subsection (2), and by substituting the words “date of commencement of operations”;

(c) by adding immediately after clause (a) of subsection (2) the following new clause:

“(b) In any case where an employer has been ordered under section 12 to cease the operation of the industry for having defaulted in the payment of any wages payable to any workman employed by the employer in the industry, an amount equal to twice the greatest amount paid by him for wages in that industry in one month during the period of twelve months immediately preceding the date of commencement of the year’s operations;”

- (d) by relettering the present clause (b) as clause (c) ;
- (e) by striking out the word "day" where it occurs in clause (b) of subsection (2), now relettered as clause (c), and by substituting the words "date of commencement of operations".

3. The said Act is further amended as to section 12, subsection (2) by adding immediately after the word "continues" the words "and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term of not less than thirty days and not more than six months".

4. The said Act is further amended as to section 13 by adding immediately after the words "to a fine of" the words "not less than one hundred dollars and".

5. This Act shall come into force on the first day of July, 1950.

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An Act to amend The Industrial
Wages Security Act.

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HON. DR. ROBINSON.
