Bill No. 59 of 1950.

A BILL TO AMEND THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES ACT.

NOTE.

This Bill amends The Agricultural Societies Act, being chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942.

Section 11 is amended. The section presently requires the auditor of the society to be an official auditor. The effect of the amendment is that the auditor of the society may be an auditor approved by the Department.

Section 27 (2) is amended. This subsection presently requires certain returns which are listed to be furnished by any society applying for a grant. The amendment deletes a reference to two of these returns. The effect of this is that the Department may pay the grant to the agricultural society on the basis of the submission only of those returns pertaining to the activity by reason of which the grant is claimed. The other returns are still required but it is not necessary to withhold the grant until they are received.

Section 27 (3) is amended. The present subsection requires the society which is late in filing its returns to satisfy the Minister that the delay was unavoidable or inadvertent in which case the Minister may pay the grant after deducting five dollars a week for each week of the delay. The effect of the amendment is that the society no longer has to account for its delay. However, when submitting its return it is required to attach to the returns an amount by way of penalty equivalent to five dollars per week for each week of the delay.

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

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No. 59 of 1950.

An Act to amend The Agricultural Societies 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 Agricultural Societies Act, being chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended as to section 11 by striking out the words "an official auditor" and by substituting the words "approved by the Department".
 - 2. The said Act is further amended as to section 27,—
 - (a) by striking out the words "paragraphs (c), (d) and (e)" where they occur in subsection (2) and by substituting the words "clause (e)";
 - (b) by striking out all of the words following the words "applicant for the grant" where they occur in subsection (3) and by substituting the words "shall attach to the returns when subsequently transmitted an amount by way of penalty equivalent to five dollars per week for each week or part thereof that has elapsed after the specified date during which the applicant has failed to transmit the said returns".
- 3. This Act shall come into force on the first day of July, 1950.

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