Bill No. 19 of 1952.

A BILL TO AMEND THE EXECUTION CREDITORS ACT.

NOTE.

This Bill amends The Execution Creditors Act, being chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942.

Section 8, subsection (2), clause (a) and sections 10 and 12 are each amended by the addition of an express reference to solicitors of litigants. These sections deal with payment out of moneys in the hands of the sheriff. The sheriff's dealings are normally with the solicitors of the parties involved. The amendment makes it clear that the sheriff is entitled to pay moneys in his hands to these solicitors. Where a solicitor is acting on behalf of a party, the money in the hands of the sheriff usually includes the solicitor's costs and disbursements which he has already paid on his client's behalf, and it is a matter of convenience that these disbursements should be repaid directly to him. It is also a customary business practice to pay moneys to a solicitor on behalf of his client. Such funds are kept in trust accounts and The Law Society of Alberta maintains an Assurance Fund for the protection of the public.

Section 25, subsection (1) is amended to make it conform to the 1951 amendment to *The District Courts Act*, giving the District Courts jurisdiction up to one thousand dollars.

This Bill comes into force upon assent.

KENNETH A. MCKENZIE, 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. 19 of 1952.

An Act to amend The Execution Creditors Act.

(Assented to , 1952.)

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

1. The Execution Creditors Act, being chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended.

2. Section 8, subsection (2) is amended by adding at the section 8 end of clause (a) the words "or to their solicitors".

3. Section 10 is amended,—

Section 10 amended

(a) by renumbering the section as subsection (1);(b) by adding immediately after subsection (1) the following new subsection:

"(2) Where a sheriff is disbursing money received in respect of an execution he may pay the same to the execution creditor or to the solicitor of the execution creditor.".

4. Section 12 is amended by adding immediately after section 12 the words "the sheriff shall pay such costs to that creditor" amended the words "or his solicitor".

5. Section 25, subsection (1) is amended by striking out Section 25 the words "six hundred" and by substituting the words "one thousand".

6. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which $Coming_{into force}^{Coming}$ it is assented to.

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