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## **BILL 39**

A Bill to amend The Frozen Food Locker Act

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## **Explanatory Note**

**2.** The name of the Act is changed.

**3.** Section 2 is amended to provide for different kinds of frozen food plants. Clause (e) of section 2 presently reads:

“(e) “frozen food locker plant” means an establishment in which space is made available to persons for storage of frozen food;”.

**4.** Clause (a) of section 3 is amended to prohibit the carrying on of the business of the frozen food plants referred to in clause 3 of this Bill. Clause (a) of section 3 presently reads:

“3. From and after the twenty-second day of June, 1944

(a) no person shall in Alberta carry on a frozen food locker plant business unless the person is the holder of a subsisting licence issued pursuant to this Act, authorizing that person to carry on such business, and”.

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(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1963)

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

1. *The Frozen Food Locker Act*, being chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes, is hereby amended.

2. Section 1 is struck out and the following section is substituted:

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Frozen Food Act*".

3. Section 2 is amended

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

(a1) "animal food storage plant" means a business that provides facilities to store frozen food for animal consumption;

(b) by striking out clause (e) and by substituting the following:

(e) "frozen food locker plant" means a business that provides individual lockers to store frozen food for human consumption;

(c) by adding the following new clause immediately after clause (f) ;

(f1) "plant" means an animal food storage plant, a frozen food locker plant, and a specialized processing plant;

(d) by adding the following new clause immediately after clause (h) :

(h1) "specialized processing plant" means a business that slaughters or obtains slaughtered animals and processes the carcasses for the use of owners of home freezers;

4. Section 3, clause (a) is amended by striking out the words "on a frozen food locker plant business" and by substituting the words "the business of an animal food storage plant, a frozen food locker plant or a specialized processing plant".

**5.** The matters contained in sections 4, 4a, 6, 7, 10 and 13, will be dealt with by regulations. See clause 7 of this Bill. Sections 4, 4a, 6, 7, 10 and 13 presently read:

"4. An application for a licence shall be in writing, and be accompanied by such particulars as the Minister may require, together with the fee payable in respect of the licence.

4a. (1) Before a licence is issued or renewed, an applicant shall cause to be filed with the Minister a policy of insurance, in a form satisfactory to the Minister and insuring the contents of all rented lockers.

(2) The original policy of insurance shall be filed with the Minister by the insurer that has insured the contents of the rented lockers.

(3) Where an insurer has filed with the Minister a policy of insurance under subsection (1), the insurance may be cancelled at any time at the request of the insured and with the consent of the Minister, or by the insurer by giving to the insured named in the policy and the Minister fifteen days' registered notice of cancellation.

6. No licence is transferable except with the approval of the Minister.

7. A licence expires on the thirty-first day of December following the date of issue.

10. No person shall for the purpose of carrying on a frozen food locker plant business in Alberta, erect a building or establish a plant in any building already erected, unless the site for the building and the plans and specifications for the building or the plant have first been approved by the Minister.

13. Every person carrying on a frozen food locker plant business shall furnish to the Minister such information concerning the frozen food locker plant and its operation in such form and at such times, as the Minister may require."

**6.** Section 9 is revised to make the validity of a business licence for a frozen food plant conditional upon the licensee obtaining a licence. Section 9 presently reads:

"9. No licence shall be issued by a city, town, village, county or municipal district for carrying on a frozen food locker plant business, unless the applicant is the holder of a subsisting licence issued pursuant to this Act in respect of that plant."

**7.** Section 12 is revised to allow the passing of regulations in respect of the matters presently contained in sections 4, 4a, 6, 7, 10 and 13. See clause 5 of this Bill. Section 12 presently reads:

"12. The Minister may, with the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, make regulations with respect to the following matters:

- (a) the locality of a plant;
- (b) minimum building dimensions and construction;
- (c) the type, amount and standard of equipment;
- (d) methods of preparation, wrapping, marking, stamping, tagging and sharp freezing of foods or parcels intended for storage;
- (e) the classification of plants;
- (f) the kinds of food products that may be kept in storage and the period of storage;
- (g) the sanitary standards of frozen food locker plants and of any slaughter houses used in connection therewith;
- (h) the inspection of frozen food locker plants and any slaughter houses used in connection therewith;
- (i) standard refrigeration temperatures for chill rooms, sharp freeze rooms and locker rooms;
- (j) standards of qualification for operators and managers of frozen food locker plants;
- (k) the conditions subject to which any licence is issued and the fees payable on the issue thereof;
- (l) generally, all such matters as the Minister considers necessary for the proper regulation and control of frozen food locker plants."

**5.** Sections 4, 4a, 6, 7, 10 and 13 are repealed.

**6.** Section 9 is struck out and the following section is substituted:

**9.** No licence issued by a city, town, village, new town, county or municipal district to carry on the business of an animal food storage plant, a frozen food locker plant or a specialized processing plant is valid unless the licensee has a licence for the plant under this Act.

**7.** Section 12 is struck out and the following section is substituted:

**12.** The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations respecting

- (a) applications for licences,
- (b) licence fees and the issuing of licences,
- (c) the qualifications of the employees of licensees,
- (d) the inspection of plants and any slaughterhouses used in connection with plants,
- (e) the location, the dimensions and the specifications of plants,
- (f) the sanitary standards of plants and any slaughterhouses used in connection with plants,
- (g) refrigeration temperatures for chill rooms, sharp freeze rooms and low temperature storage rooms,
- (h) refrigeration equipment to be used in plants,
- (i) the kind of food that may be stored in plants,
- (j) the periods of time that food may be stored in plants,
- (k) the preparation, wrapping, marking, stamping, tagging and sharp freezing of food for storage in home freezers,
- (l) matters generally necessary for the proper regulation and control of plants within the scope and purposes of this Act.

**8.** Section 17 is amended to allow a co-operative association to borrow in respect of specialized processing plants with the guarantee of the Province. The cash share that a co-operative association must pay towards whatever a loan is required for is raised from 15% to 50%. Clause (a) of subsection (1) and clause (a) of subsection (2) presently read:

“17. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council, on the recommendation of the Supervisor, may from time to time authorize the Provincial Treasurer

(a) to guarantee on behalf of the Province the due repayment with interest of any sum borrowed by a co-operative association having a subsisting licence under this Act, for the purpose of acquiring lands, buildings, machinery or equipment for use in carrying on a frozen food locker plant business, and

(2) Subsection (1) only applies if

(a) the association has first paid at least fifteen per cent of the cost of acquiring the land, buildings, machinery and equipment,”.

**9.** Commencement of Act.

**8.** Section 17 is amended

- (a) as to subsection (1), clause (a) by striking out the word "business," and by substituting the words "business or specialized processing plant,"
- (b) as to subsection (2), clause (a) by striking out the word "fifteen" and by substituting the word "fifty".

**9.** This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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