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No. 45 of 1914.

An Act respecting Circuses and Travelling Shows.

(Assented to _____, 1914.)

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

SHORT TITLE.

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Travelling Shows Act*." Short title

2. No menagerie, circus, wild west show, trained animal show or show of any kind whatsoever shall be exhibited at any place in Alberta unless the owner, proprietor, manager, agent or person in charge of such show has obtained a license for that purpose from the Provincial Secretary. Circuses, etc., not to be exhibited without license

3. Every applicant for a license shall make and file in the office of the Provincial Secretary a statutory declaration setting forth the number of days upon which the show is to be exhibited in Alberta, and the localities in which the performances or exhibitions are to be held and for such license shall pay to the Provincial Secretary the sums following for every day upon which the show is to be exhibited in Alberta: License Fee

For every circus, menagerie or wild west show and not more than one side show, if travelling with over twenty cars:

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| In every city. | \$250.00 |
| In every town or village. | 50.00 |
| With twenty cars or less: | |
| In every city | 75.00 |
| In every town or village. | 25.00 |
| For each additional side show. | 10.00 |
| For every trained animal show where there is no equestrian exhibition: | |
| In every city | \$25.00 |
| In every town or village. | 15.00 |
| For each side show. | 10.00 |
| For every carnival or collection of side shows not connected with any circus, menagerie or wild west show | \$25.00 |

And for every other show such sum as may be determined by the Provincial Secretary for every day upon which the show is licensed to be exhibited.

4. If any such show is exhibited as part of an industrial exhibition or agricultural fair the applicant shall pay such license fee as the Provincial Secretary may impose, but not in excess of the fees fixed by section 3 for the particular class of show and the Provincial Secretary may have regard to any special circumstances of the case and may if he deems it advisable impose a nominal fee. License fee for certain shows to be fixed by the Provincial Secretary

5. Any license issued under the provisions of section 3 hereof may be revoked at any time by the Provincial Secretary, if it appears to his satisfaction that the show is made the occasion for violation of the law or that gambling or any game of chance has been carried on in connection therewith. Power to revoke license

(2) In case of the revocation of a license the amount received for the same shall be refunded to the licensee less the sum paid per day for every day during which the exhibitions have been given under such license prior to the revocation thereof.

6. Any person in charge of a show or the owner, proprietor, manager or person having control thereof who exhibits the same or any part thereof without holding a license shall be liable to a penalty, upon summary conviction before a justice of the peace, of not less than \$200 and not more than \$300 for every day upon which such show or any part thereof has been exhibited in any place in Alberta. Penalty for unlicensed exhibition

7. No municipality shall issue a license to any show to which section 2 applies until the applicant produces a license from the Provincial Secretary authorizing its exhibition in Alberta and any member or officer of the municipality who is a party to the issue of a license in violation of the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty of \$20 upon summary conviction before a justice of the peace. License when Municipality to issue

8. Every constable shall have access free of all charge to all shows mentioned in section 2 and every horse race, agricultural, horticultural or industrial exhibition, ball game, theatre or public gathering and to the grounds, tents and buildings in which such shows, races, exhibitions and gatherings are held during the hours the public are admitted thereto and any person hindering, preventing or refusing such free access after any such officer has demanded such admission and displayed his badge of office shall incur a penalty not exceeding \$100 and not less than \$50 or in the discretion of the convicting justice or justices such person may be imprisoned for any term not exceeding three months. Constables have free access to all shows

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