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No. 27 of 1923.

An Act respecting Private Grazing Associations.

(Assented to , 1923.)

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

- 1. This Act may be cited as "The Private Grazing Associations Act, 1923."
 - 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—
 - (a) "Minister" shall mean the Minister of Agriculture;
 - (b) "Stock" shall include any horse, mare, gelding, colt or filly, ass or mule, or any bull, cow, ox, heifer, steer or calf.
- **3.** Any ten farmers in any district may by petition verified by the statutory declaration of a witness request the Minister to incorporate them as a Private Grazing Association.
- 4. Upon receipt of any such petition the Minister may declare the petitioners and such other persons as may be subsequently admitted into the association to be a Private Grazing Association.
- **5.** Every such declaration shall be published in *The Alberta Gazette*.
- **6.** As soon as possible after the publication of the said declaration, the members of the association shall be summoned by such one of them as the Minister may direct, to a meeting for the purpose of electing the officers of the association.
- 7. At such meeting a president and three other directors shall be elected, and a secretary-treasurer shall be appointed by the directors.
- **S.** At any time after such meeting the association may accept a lease of any land from the Crown or any corporation or persons at such rental and upon such other terms and conditions as may be agreed upon.

- **9.** The association shall have a possessory lien upon all stock grazing upon the said land for all unpaid fees.
- 10. The directors of the association shall make by-laws providing for—
 - (a) the future government of the association;
 - (b) the fees chargeable to members of the association grazing stock upon the land leased by the association;
 - (c) an association brand, with which all stock grazing upon the said land shall be branded;
 - (d) the number of stock to be pastured upon the said land by any member by reference to the number of acres occupied by him in the neighbourhood of the said land;
 - (e) the realization of unpaid fees by the sale of the stock in respect of which fees remain unpaid and the application of any surplus moneys that may be derived therefrom;

and may make such by-laws as are necessary or convenient regarding admission of members, meetings, elections of officers and all other matters concerned with the administration of the affairs of the association.

- 11. All by-laws made by the association shall be submitted to the Minister for his approval and upon receiving such approval shall be as binding as if enacted by this Act.
- **12.** This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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