

# BILL

No. 83 of 1928.

An Act to make Provision for the Supervision of Co-operative Marketing Associations and Co-operative Societies.

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1928.)

**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 Co-operative Activities Supervision Act*."

**2.** In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

- (a) "Association" shall mean an association incorporated under the provisions of *The Co-operative Associations Act* or *The Co-operative Marketing Associations Act*.
- (b) "Minister" shall mean the member of the Executive Council charged with the administration of this Act.
- (c) "Supervisor" shall mean the Supervisor of Co-operative Activities appointed pursuant to this Act.

**3.** The Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint a Supervisor of Co-operative Activities, and may, subject to the other provisions of this Act, prescribe his powers and duties.

**4.** It shall be the duty of the supervisor—

- (a) To examine all applications for registration pursuant to *The Co-operative Associations Act*, being chapter 160 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1922, or *The Co-operative Marketing Associations Act*, being chapter 5 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1924, and to enquire into all the conditions under which any proposed Association will operate and to confer with and advise the promoters of any Association as to the formation and organization of the Association; and, having regard to the result of the enquiries made, to approve or refuse to approve any application for registration as aforesaid;
- (b) To confer with and advise any person interested in any Association and the Directors of any Associa-

tion with reference to the activities of any Association and generally to provide and encourage the development of co-operative enterprise;

- (c) Upon a requisition in writing, signed by ten members of an association or upon the order of the Minister, to hold an enquiry into the affairs of the Association and to make a report of the result of such enquiry to the Minister;
- (d) To receive and consider all returns made by any association pursuant to this or any other Act, and to complete therefrom statistical reports;
- (e) To prepare and deliver to the Minister as soon as possible after the close of the fiscal year, a report covering that year as to the following matters:
  - (i) The applications for registration and the action taken by the supervisor upon each such application;
  - (ii) Enquiries made by the supervisor with respect to any association and the result thereof;
  - (iii) The total number of associations operating in the Province and the financial standing of each association;
  - (iv) General statistics as to the activities of associations.

**5.** If it is made to appear to the Minister by the report of the supervisor made after investigation as aforesaid that the affairs of an association are being mismanaged or are being conducted upon an unsound basis, or are not being conducted in accordance with co-operative principles, he may in his discretion direct the supervisor to call a general meeting of all the members of the society, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the supervisor to—

- (a) call such a meeting by advertising a notice of the meeting in a newspaper circulating in the district where the association has its registered office or main place of business, in an issue published at least five days before the date of the meeting; and
- (b) attend the meeting and submit to such meeting his report, and any other information he has with reference to the affairs of the association.

**6.** *The Co-operative Associations Act*, being chapter 160 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1922, is amended as to section 3 thereof—

- (a) by striking out of subsection (1) thereof the words “any twenty or more persons,” and substituting therefor the words “any ten or more persons”; and
- (b) by striking out subsection (4) thereof, and substituting therefor the following:

“(4) The registrar shall not receive and file any memorandum of association, rules or by-laws unless and until the same have been approved by the Supervisor of Co-operative Associations.”

**7.** *The Co-operative Marketing Associations Act*, being chapter 5 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1924, is amended:

- (a) by striking out sections 10 and 11 thereof and by substituting therefor the following:

“**10.** The registrar shall not receive and register any memorandum and articles of association unless and until the same have been approved by the supervisor of Co-operative Associations.

“**11.** Upon the receipt by the registrar of a memorandum of association and articles of association duly approved by the supervisor, and otherwise complying with the requirements of the Act, he shall retain and register same and shall thereupon certify under his hand that the association is incorporated”—and

- (b) as to section 43, subsection (1), by striking out of paragraph (a) thereof, the words “to a chartered accountant,” and substituting therefor the words “to an accountant approved by the Minister.”

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HON. MR. REID.

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