

Bill No. 9 of 1936.

A BILL RESPECTING OATHS OF OFFICE.

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NOTE.

This Bill provides,—

(1) that wherever by any statute of the Province any person is required to take an oath of allegiance, such oath shall be in FORM A in the schedule; and

(2) that wherever by any statute of the Province any person is required to take any oath upon being appointed to any office other than that of a police magistrate or justice of the peace, or upon his admission to any profession or calling, such oath shall be in the form of the official oath set out in FORM B in the schedule; and

(3) that wherever by any statute of the Province any person is required to take an oath upon his appointment as a police magistrate or a justice of the peace, such oath shall be in the form of the judicial oath in FORM C in the schedule.

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(This note does not form any part of the Bill and is offered merely as a partial explanation of some of its provisions.)

BILL

No. 9 of 1936.

An Act respecting Oaths of Office.

(Assented to _____, 1936.)

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 Oaths of Office Act.*"
2. In this Act, unless the context requires a contrary meaning,—
 - (a) "Oath of allegiance" means the oath in Form A in the schedule to this Act;
 - (b) "Official oath" means the oath in Form B in the schedule to this Act;
 - (c) "Judicial oath" means the oath in Form C in the schedule to this Act.
3. Wherever by any statute of the Province any person is required to take an oath of allegiance, the oath of allegiance shall be the oath of allegiance in the form prescribed by this Act.
4. Wherever by any statute of the Province any person is required to take any oath upon being appointed to any office other than that of a police magistrate or justice of the peace, or upon his admission to any profession or calling, such oath shall be in the form of the official oath prescribed by this Act.
5. Wherever by any statute of the Province any person is required to take an oath upon his appointment as a police magistrate or a justice of the peace, such oath shall be in the form of the judicial oath prescribed by this Act.
6. Where in any oath prescribed by this Act the name of His present Majesty is expressed, the name of the Sovereign for the time being shall be substituted from time to time.
7. When upon the taking of any oath prescribed by this Act and the person taking the same is permitted by law to make a solemn affirmation or declaration instead of taking an oath, such person may make a solemn affirmation in the prescribed form of the oath substituting the words "solemnly swear and truly declare and affirm" for the word "swear" and omitting the words "So help me God."

8. The forms of oath prescribed by this Act shall be substituted for any forms of the same or a like effect prescribed by any other statute of the Province.

9. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

SCHEDULE

FORM A

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I,, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Edward VIII, his heirs and his successors, according to law.

So help me God. .

FORM B

OFFICIAL OATH.

I,, do swear that I will diligently, faithfully and to the best of my ability, execute according to law, the office of

So help me God.

FORM C

JUDICIAL OATH.

I,, do swear that I will diligently, faithfully and to the best of my ability, execute according to law, the office of, and that I will do right to all manner of people after the laws and usages of this realm, without fear or favour, affection or ill will.

So help me God.

No. 9.

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BILL

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HON. MR. HUGILL.

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