

Bill No. 50 of 1937.

A BILL TO AMEND THE ALBERTA LIVE STOCK AND  
LIVE STOCK PRODUCTS ACT.

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NOTE.

Section 2 empowers the Lieutenant Governor in Council to provide for the licensing of persons engaged in the business of dealing in live stock or live stock products or both, and to make regulations as to the dealing in live stock or live stock products and prohibiting or restricting any practice, system or method of dealing therein, and to provide for the refusal of a license unless the applicant is bonded to the satisfaction of the Minister.

Further provision is made empowering the Minister to appoint inspectors for the purpose of supervising the weighing of live stock and live stock products and empowering the inspector in certain circumstances to require the re-weighing of any live stock or live stock product.

A further provision requires that every person who owns or has the control or management of any packing plant or any slaughter house shall, upon the purchase of any live stock or live stock products, immediately upon the delivery thereof, weigh the same and make out a statement in writing setting out the true weight and grade thereof.

A further provision empowers the Minister to appoint veterinary inspectors for such packing plants or slaughter houses as he may designate, and empowers the Minister to prescribe standards of quality for any live stock product and for the marking of live stock products accordingly.

A further provision declares that any live stock product which has been so marked shall be sold without restriction in every part of the Province and supersedes any by-law of any municipality which restricts or interferes with any such sale.

A further provision enables the Minister to assess the owners of packing plants and slaughter houses with a pro-

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portionate cost of the services of inspectors and veterinary inspectors.

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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.)*

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An Act to amend The Alberta Live Stock and Live Stock Products Act.

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1937.)

**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 Alberta Live Stock and Live Stock Products Act Amendment Act, 1937.*"

**2.** *The Alberta Live Stock and Live Stock Products Act*, being chapter 61 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1936, is hereby amended by inserting therein immediately after section 3 thereof the following:

"**3a.**—(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may, by order, from time to time,—

"(a) require all persons engaged in the business of dealing in live stock or live stock products or both, or in any specified kind or kinds thereof, whether as a principal or an agent, not being persons licensed in respect of such business pursuant to *The Licensing of Trades and Businesses Act*, to be licensed, and may prescribe the conditions under which licenses may be granted or refused, the fees payable in respect of such licenses, and may prescribe different fees for different classes of licenses;

"(b) make rules and regulations as to the manner in which any person so licensed shall deal in any live stock or live stock products in respect of which he is required to be licensed, and prohibiting or restricting any practice, system or method of dealing in any live stock or live stock products;

"(c) empower the Minister in his discretion to refuse any application for a license or renewal of a license or to cancel any license unless the applicant or the holder furnishes the Minister with a bond in favour of the Crown issued by a company authorized to transact business in the Province in such amount and form as the Minister may prescribe which is payable on default being made in the payment of any money payable for the purchase price of any live stock or live stock product purchased by the holder of the license, and to cancel the license upon the bond becoming for any reason terminated; and to apply any moneys recovered under any such

bond in paying rateably claims for the price of live stock and live stock products sold to the holder of the license;

and every such order shall be published in *The Alberta Gazette* and shall take effect upon publication or upon such subsequent date as may be fixed in the order for that purpose.

“(2) Upon any such order taking effect no person who is thereby required to be licensed shall engage in the business of dealing in any kind of live stock and of live stock products for the dealing in which a license is required, unless he is the holder of a subsisting license authorizing him to deal in such live stock or live stock products.

“(3) Every license shall be issued by the Minister and shall expire on the last day of December following the date of issuance.

“(4) The Minister may make regulations as to the manner of the issuance of licenses, the forms to be used in relation thereto and the persons by whom and the places at which licenses may be obtained. The Minister may in his discretion refuse any application for a license and may cancel or suspend for a specified period or indefinitely any license previously issued in any case in which he is satisfied that the holder of the license has contravened the regulations made pursuant to this Act in relation to such business.

“(5) Every person who engages in the dealing in any live stock or live stock products for the dealing in which he is required to be licensed pursuant to this Act, at a time when he is not the holder of a valid and subsisting license authorizing him so to do, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction in case the offender is a body corporate to a fine of not more than two hundred dollars and costs, and in any other case to a fine of not more than fifty dollars and costs, and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term of not more than ninety days.

“3b.—(1) The Minister may appoint such persons as he deems necessary as inspectors for the purposes set out in this section, and prescribe their duties and fix their remuneration.

“(2) Every such inspector shall have the full right of access to any premises in or upon which any live stock or live stock products are bought and sold, and shall have the right to supervise the weighing and grading of any live stock or live stock products at the time of the weighing or grading thereof.

“(3) Every such inspector shall have the full right to examine any scales used for weighing live stock or live stock products, for the purpose of ascertaining that the same are free from dirt or other substances which would be likely to affect the accuracy of the weighing.

“(4) Upon the demand of any such inspector made within one hour after the weighing of any live stock or live stock products upon the sale or purchase thereof, the person who weighed the same or the purchaser of the stock shall re-

weigh the same in the presense of and under the supervision of the inspector, and shall deliver to the inspector a statement in writing in triplicate containing a sufficient description of the live stock or live stock products so weighed, and the inspector shall verify the same and deliver one of such triplicates to the buyer or his agent, another to the seller or his agent, and shall retain the third.

“(5) Every such inspector shall report in writing to an inspector appointed under *The Weights and Measures Act*, any breach of any of the provisions of that Act.

“(6) In case any such inspector has reason to believe that any person dealing in any live stock or live stock products is or has committed any breach of *The Weights and Measures Act*, being chapter 212 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, he shall, without delay, report the circumstances upon which that belief is formed to an inspector appointed under the said Act, and shall afford him any information or assistance which the inspector may require.

“3c.—(1) Every person who owns or has the control or management of any packing plant or any slaughter house, upon the purchase of any live stock or live stock products either by such owner or by any other person on his behalf, shall immediately upon delivery, cause the same to be weighed, and to make out and sign a statement in writing setting out the true weight thereof, and the grade thereof, and shall immediately thereafter deliver or send by mail to the person from whom the purchase was made the statement so made out.

“(2) Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction therefor, to a fine of not more than one hundred dollars and costs, and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term of not more than sixty days.

“3d.—(1) The Minister may from time to time, appoint persons who are duly qualified veterinary surgeons, as veterinary inspectors of such packing plants and slaughter houses, as he may from time to time designate, which are not for the time being under inspection by virtue of *The Live Stock and Live Stock Products Act*, being chapter 20 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, and may fix their remuneration and prescribe their duties.

“(2) Every veterinary inspector so appointed under this section shall have free and unrestricted access to every packing plant and slaughter house which he is authorized by the Minister to inspect, and to examine all live stock and live stock products which are thereon.

“(3) The Minister may prescribe by regulation,—

“(a) standards of quality for any live stock product;

“(b) that every inspector shall place a mark upon any live stock product of any specified standard or prohibit the marking of any live stock product of a specified standard;

“(c) as to the manner in which an inspector shall mark any live stock product of any specified standard ;

“(d) as to the device to be used for the purpose of stamping any live stock product and the design thereof.

“3e. Any live stock product which has been marked by a veterinary in pursuance of this Act, shall be sold without restriction in every part of the Province, and any provision of any by-law of any city, town, village or municipal district, which in any way prevents, restricts or interferes with the sale of any live stock product so marked, shall be void and of no effect.

“3f.—(1) The Minister may assess the owners of all packing plants and slaughter houses for which an inspector is appointed pursuant to section 3b of this Act, and the owners of all packing plants and slaughter houses for which a veterinary inspector is appointed pursuant to this Act respectively, with a reasonable proportion of the total cost of the services of inspectors and veterinary inspectors, pursuant to this Act, and shall at his uncontrolled discretion, fix and determine the said proportion, the times when the same is payable, and the method in which it is to be paid.

“(2) All such assessments shall be a debt due to the Crown from the respective owners and when received shall be deposited in a special trust fund to be called ‘The Live Stock Products Inspection Account’ out of which the Minister shall pay all proper expenses in relation to his appointment of inspectors and veterinary inspectors and to the performance by them of their respective functions.”

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

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