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#### CHAPTER 252

## The Live Stock Branding Act

1. In this Act,

Interpretation

- (a) "brand" means a letter, sign or numeral, or any combination of them, recorded as allotted;
- (b) "Department" means the Department of Agriculture and Food;
- (c) "live stock" means a horse, head of cattle, sheep or fowl;
- (d) "Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture and Food. R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, s. 1, amended.
- 2.—(1) No person shall brand any livestock except with a Branding brand allotted by the Minister and to which he is entitled under of live stock this Act.
- (2) Every such brand shall be recorded as in this Act provided Recording and the fees payable are those set out in the Schedule.
- (3) A brand so allotted is not good for a longer period than Renewal of three years, unless it is renewed by the owner.
- (4) Any owner of a brand is entitled to transfer the ownership transfer of it to any person upon applying to the Minister and complying with the requirements laid down by the Minister to effect the transfer. R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, s. 2.
- **3.**—(1) Upon the recording in the books of the Department of any allotment or transfer of a brand, the person in whose name the brand is last recorded becomes the owner of the brand and of all the rights thereof and therein, and is entitled to a certificate of the allotment or transfer and of the recorded entry of the brand, and the production of the certificate is *prima facie* evidence of the ownership of the certificate without any further proof of the signature of the officer or other person signing the certificate.
- (2) In case any owner under this Act forfeits his right to Right to ownership of a brand, the brand shall not be allotted to any person ownership for a period of at least three years. R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, s. 3.
- **4.** The Live Stock Commissioner shall be the recorder of Record of brands and shall receive applications, keep a record of all brands allotted and make transfers and cancellations in accordance with this Act. R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, s. 4.

List of brands may be published 5. The Minister may cause to be published from time to time a complete list of the brands recorded under this Act. R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, s. 5.

Regulations

**6.** The Minister may make regulations prescribing forms and providing for their use and as are necessary for the better carrying out of the provisions of this Act. R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, s. 6.

Offences

- 7. Every person who,
  - (a) improperly and wrongfully brands or causes to be branded any live stock with a brand that has been recorded as required by this Act or the regulations, and that has not been cancelled thereunder; or
  - (b) brands or causes to be branded with his own brand any live stock of which he is not the owner without the authority of the owner; or
  - (c) defaces, obliterates or otherwise renders illegible, or causes to be defaced, obliterated or otherwise rendered illegible any brand upon any live stock; or
  - (d) brands or causes to be branded any live stock with an unrecorded brand,

is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$200. R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, s. 7.

#### SCHEDULE

#### FEES

On application for allotment of a brand for a period of 3 years	\$1.00
On application for renewal of an allotment of a brand for a further period of 3 years	1.00
On application for change in the record of a brand	.50
On every transfer of a recorded brand	.50
For every search of a brand record	.50
For every certified extract from the brand recorded	.50

R.S.O. 1960, c. 220, Sched.