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The Silicosis Act

1. In this Act,
   
   (a) "Minister" means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act may be assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council;
   
   (b) "regulations" means the regulations made under this Act.  R.S.O. 1960, c. 375, s. 1.

2. Subject to section 5 and the regulations, no person shall be employed in an industrial process involving a silica exposure as defined by the regulations unless he is the holder of a health certificate issued under the regulations.  R.S.O. 1960, c. 375, s. 2.

3. The Minister may require any employee engaged in any occupation involving a silica exposure as defined by the regulations to take a medical examination at any time.  R.S.O. 1960, c. 375, s. 3.

4. The fee prescribed by the regulations for the medical examination shall be paid by the employer in the manner prescribed by the regulations.  R.S.O. 1960, c. 375, s. 4.

5. Where in the opinion of the Minister the circumstances warrant such action, he may exempt in whole or in part from the provisions of this Act and the regulations any industrial process involving a silica exposure.  R.S.O. 1960, c. 375, s. 5.

6. Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Act or the regulations is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not less than $10 and not more than $100.  R.S.O. 1960, c. 375, s. 6.

7.—(1) The Minister, with the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, may make regulations,

   (a) defining silica exposure and prescribing medical examinations of employees engaged in industrial processes involving silica exposure and prescribing the fees to be paid for and the form of reports to be made in connection with such examination; and

   (b) providing for the issue, renewal, suspension and cancellation of health certificates to employees engaged in
industrial processes involving a silica exposure and prescribing the form thereof and the conditions of issuing and the custody and use of such certificates.

Application of regulations

(2) The regulations may be general in their application or may be made applicable specially to any particular locality or industry. R.S.O. 1960, c. 375, s. 7.