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CHAPTER 109

The Department of Agriculture and Food Act

1. In this Act,

(a) "Department" means the Department of Agriculture and Food;
(b) "Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture and Food. 1966, c. 39, s. 2.

2.-(1) The department of the public service known as the Department of Agriculture and Food is continued. 1966, c. 39, s. 3, amended.

(2) The Minister shall preside over and have charge of the Department. R.S.O. 1960, c. 92, s. 2 (2).

3. Subject to The Public Service Act there may be appointed a Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Food and such other officers, clerks and servants as the Minister considers necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the Department. 1966, c. 39, s. 4.

4. Subject to The Executive Council Act, the Minister has the direction and control of,

(a) the administration of the law relating to agriculture and food in all their branches; and
(b) the administration of appropriations under the Depart- ment,

and has such other powers and shall perform such other functions and duties as are assigned to him by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1960, c. 92, s. 4; 1966, c. 39, s. 5.

5.-(1) Upon the recommendation of the Minister, the Lieu- tenant Governor in Council may establish programs for the encouragement of any branch of agriculture or food. 1966, c. 39, s. 6 (1).

(2) A program may determine the conditions under which services are provided by the Department and expenses allowed or grants payable. R.S.O. 1960, c. 92, s. 5 (2).
(3) A program may require that fees be paid by persons engaged in the branch of agriculture or food to which the program applies and may fix the amounts thereof. R.S.O. 1960, c. 92, s. 5 (3); 1966, c. 39, s. 6 (2).

6. Where a program has been established under section 5 to provide for veterinary services in one or more than one territorial district and a veterinary agricultural committee has been established, any municipality may make grants to a veterinary fund, administered by the veterinary agricultural committee, from which payments are made to provide for the veterinary services in the territorial district. 1964, c. 19, s. 1.

7. Where any work of the Department is carried on elsewhere than at the seat of Government, the Minister may appoint such officers, clerks, servants and labourers as he considers necessary and may fix their salaries or other remuneration, and may designate the appropriation against which the same shall be charged, and the same are payable out of such appropriation accordingly. R.S.O. 1960, c. 92, s. 6.

8. The Minister shall in each year submit to the Lieutenant Governor in Council a report of the proceedings of the Department during the next preceding fiscal year, and such report shall be laid before the Assembly forthwith, but, if the Legislature is not at the time in session, then within thirty days after the commencement of the next session. R.S.O. 1960, c. 92, s. 7.