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The Department of Travel and Publicity Act

1. In this Act, "Department" means the Department of Travel and Publicity; "Minister" means the Minister of Travel and Publicity; "regulations" means the regulations made under this Act. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 1.

2.—(1) The department of the public service known as the Department of Travel and Publicity is continued.

(2) The Minister shall preside over and have charge of the Department. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 2, amended.

3. The objects of the Department are to develop the tourist industry in Ontario by encouraging and promoting improvement in the standards of accommodation, facilities and services offered to tourists and to undertake the publicizing of the tourist industry and of the resources, attractions and advantages of Ontario. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 3.

4. The Minister is responsible for the administration of such Acts and the regulations made thereunder as are assigned to him by the provisions thereof or by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 4.

5.—(1) The Minister shall after the close of each fiscal year file with the Provincial Secretary an annual report upon the affairs of the Department.

(2) The Provincial Secretary shall submit the report to the Lieutenant Governor in Council and shall then lay the report before the Assembly if it is in session or, if not, at the next ensuing session. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 5.

6. The expenses of the Department in carrying out its objects shall be paid out of the moneys appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 6.
7. The Minister may direct any officer of the Department or any other person to investigate, inquire into and report to him upon any matter connected with or affecting the tourist industry, including accommodation, facilities or services offered to tourists, or the advertising or publicizing thereof, or of the resources, attractions or advantages of Ontario, and for the purposes of the investigation and inquiry such officer or other person has all the powers and authority that may be conferred upon a commissioner under *The Public Inquiries Act*. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 7.

Tourist Information

8. No person, except an authorized agent or employee of a governmental or municipal authority, board of trade, chamber of commerce, *bona fide* tourist development association, *bona fide* travel agency or company transporting passengers by rail, boat, air or bus, shall, without the approval in writing of the Minister, display any sign or other device on or near any premises indicating that information for tourists or other similar service is available from him or on the premises. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 8.

Distribution of advertising matter

9. No person shall distribute in or send from Ontario any advertising matter connected with or affecting the tourist industry, including accommodation, facilities or service offered to tourists, or advertising or publicizing the resources, attractions or advantages of Ontario, that does not comply with the regulations. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 9.

Display of notices by tourist establishments

10. Every person who offers accommodation, facilities or services of any type prescribed by the regulations shall display a notice bearing the words "closed", "open", "vacancy" or "no vacancy", as the case may be, in accordance with the regulations. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 10.

Regulations

11.—(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to the tourist industry,

(a) regulating the form and contents of all or any class of advertising matter mentioned in section 9;

(b) subject to *The Highway Improvement Act*, regulating the size, style and location of the notices mentioned in section 10, and prescribing the type of accommodation, facilities or services to which such regulations shall apply. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 11 (1).

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(2) The Minister may make regulations providing for the apportionment and distribution of all moneys appropriated by the Legislature for the maintenance of historical institutions.
and for the conditions governing the payment thereof. 1959, c. 28, s. 1.

12. Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Act or any regulation made under this Act is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than $100. R.S.O. 1950, c. 100, s. 12.