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Ontario Act (1927, Chap. 3) authorizing the Revised Statutes, 1927

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An Act to provide for the Consolidation of the Statutes of Ontario.

CHAPTER 3, 1927.

Assented to 5th April, 1927.

WHEREAS by commission issued by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, dated the 30th day of October, A.D. 1924, the Honourable William Edward Middleton, the Honourable Hugh Thomas Kelly, the Honourable William Nassau Ferguson and the Honourable Robert Smith, Justices of the Supreme Court of Ontario, His Honour James Gamble Wallace, Judge of the County Court of the County of Oxford, the Honourable, the Attorney-General for the Province of Ontario; Kenneth W. McKay, Esquire, Editor, of the City of St. Thomas, Allan Malcolm Dymond, Edward Bayly and William Bruce Wilkinson, Esquires, of His Majesty's Counsel, learned in the law, were appointed Commissioners for the purpose of consolidating the public statutes of this Province and the said the Honourable William Edward Middleton was appointed Chairman, and the said Allan Malcolm Dymond and William Bruce Wilkinson were appointed Secretaries of the Commission; and whereas the said Commissioners have revised and consolidated the said statutes and the same have been completed except so far as alterations and additions are rendered necessary by legislation of the present session; and whereas it is in the public interest that the said consolidation should as soon as practicable, and prior to the holding of another session of this Legislature, be issued and authorized as the Revised Statutes of this Province;

Therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:
1. As soon as the said Commissioners shall report, in writing, signed by a majority of them and by the Chairman, the completion of the said consolidation, including therein such Acts and parts of Acts passed during the present session as the Lieutenant-Governor may deem advisable to be included, the Lieutenant-Governor may cause a printed Roll thereof, attested by his signature and countersigned by the Provincial Secretary, to be deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

2. There shall be appended to the said Roll a Schedule similar in form to schedule "A" appended to The Revised Statutes of 1914, showing the Acts and parts of Acts which are embodied in the said Roll and showing in the third column thereof the extent to which the Acts and parts of Acts in the said schedule are from the time of the coming into force of the Revised Statutes contained in the said Roll to be repealed; and the Commissioners may include in the said Schedule all Acts and parts of Acts which though not expressly repealed, were superseded by the Acts so consolidated, or are inconsistent therewith, and all parts of such Acts which were for a temporary purpose the force of which is spent.

3. The said Commissioners in consolidating the said statutes may make such alterations in their language as are requisite in order to preserve a uniform mode of expression, and may make such minor amendments as are necessary to bring out more clearly what they deem to be the intention of the Legislature or to reconcile seemingly inconsistent enactments; or to correct clerical or typographical errors; the said Commissioners may also direct that any of the enacting clauses in the said statutes may be printed in special type, and that any of the sections which in the Revised Statutes of 1914, are in special type may be printed among the enacting clauses.

4. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council after the deposit as aforesaid of the said Roll may by proclamation declare the day from and after which the same shall come into force and have effect as law by the designation of "The Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1927."

5. On and from such day the same shall accordingly come into force and effect by the said designation to all intents as though the same were expressly embodied in and enacted by this Act to come into force and have effect on and from such day; and on and from the same day all the enactments in the several Acts and parts of Acts in the said Schedule mentioned shall so far as they relate to this Province stand and be repealed to the extent mentioned in the third column of the said schedule save only as hereinafter is provided.
6. Such repeal shall not be construed as intended to extend to such of the provisions of the said Acts and parts of Acts as relate to subjects in regard to which the Parliament of Canada has exclusive powers of legislation; but the said Acts and parts of Acts (in so far only as is necessary to give effect to every such provision) shall remain in full force and effect.

7. Except as otherwise provided in this Act the rules of construction and interpretation declared by the Revised Statutes to be applicable in the construction and interpretation of the Statutes of Ontario shall apply to the said Revised Statutes and to this Act.

8. Any reference in any former Act remaining in force or in any instrument or document, to any Act or enactment so repealed shall, after the Revised Statutes take effect, be held, as regards any subsequent transaction, matter or thing, to be a reference to the enactments in the Revised Statutes having the same effect as such repealed Act or enactment.

9. The insertion of any Act in the said Schedule "A" shall not be construed as a declaration that such Act or any part of it was or was not in force immediately before the coming into force of the said Revised Statutes.

10. Copies of the said Revised Statutes as printed by the King's Printer, shall be received as evidence of the said Revised Statutes in all courts and places whatsoever.

11. The laws relating to the distribution of the printed copies of the statutes shall not apply to the said Revised Statutes, but the same shall be distributed in such numbers and to such persons only as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct.

12. This Act shall be printed with the Revised Statutes and shall be subject to the same rules of construction as the said Revised Statutes.

13. Any chapter of the Revised Statutes may be cited and referred to in any Act or proceeding whatever, either by its title as an Act, or by its short title, or by using the expression "The Revised Statute respecting " (adding the remainder of the title given at the beginning of the particular chapter), or by using the expression "The Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1927, Chapter " (adding the number of the particular chapter in the copies printed by the King's Printer).