

Legislation of the First Session of the Nineteenth Parliament, May 16,
1940 to Nov. 5, 1940—continued

Chapter and Date of Assent	Synopsis
Finance and Taxation—concluded	<i>National Revenue—concluded</i>
42 Aug. 7	<i>An Act to amend the Tariff Board Act (c. 55, 1931 and amendment c. 51, 1932-33).</i> The amendments under this Act relate to pensions, superannuation and salaries of members of the Tariff Board.
Agriculture.—	
6 June 21	<i>An Act to amend the Canada Grain Act (c. 5, 1930 and amendments)</i> revises the definition for No. Extra 3 Canada Western Oats in Schedule 1 of the Act.
8 June 21	<i>An Act to amend the Dairy Industry Act (c. 45, R.S.C. 1927 and amendments)</i> makes a minor change in the regulations concerning packaged cheese.
16 June 21	<i>An Act to amend the Seeds Act, 1937 (c. 40, 1937),</i> authorizes the making of regulations regarding fees and the withholding of further services to persons owing fees for previous inspections, tests, etc.
18 June 21	<i>An Act to amend the Wheat Co-operative Marketing Act, 1939 (c. 34, 1939).</i> These amendments relate to the computation of the average sale price of wheat, the report to Parliament, and the payment of liabilities of the Minister in connection with the Act and of administrative expenses.
19 July 12	<i>An Act to amend the Agricultural Products Co-operative Marketing Act, 1939 (c. 28, 1939).</i> This Act includes certain changes in definitions, in the legislation concerning payments to selling agencies, in the regulations to be prescribed by the Minister, etc.
25 Aug. 7	<i>An Act to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act, 1935 (c. 53, 1935 and amendment c. 39, 1939).</i> In addition to amendments, mainly in connection with the powers of the Board respecting the buying of wheat, this Act provides for the imposition of a processing levy on wheat products intended for consumption in Canada at a rate not exceeding 15 cents per bushel of wheat used in the production of such products.
26 Aug. 7	<i>An Act to amend the Cheese and Cheese Factory Improvement Act (c. 13, 1939)</i> makes minor changes in the legislation concerning grants for the improvement of cheese factories.
38 Aug. 7	<i>An Act to amend the Prairie Farm Assistance Act, 1939 (c. 50, 1939)</i> provides for the establishment of a Board of Review to determine the eligibility of a township or of a farmer for an award under the Act. It also provides, in connection with the payment of awards, for the substitution of part of an ineligible township for part of an eligible township, and makes other amendments including changes in the conditions for declaring an area a crop failure area.
Justice.—	
5 June 21	<i>An Act to amend the Canada Evidence Act (c. 59, R.S.C. 1927)</i> declares that in certain circumstances it is not necessary to prove the official character of persons making affidavits.
37 Aug. 7	<i>An Act to amend the Penitentiary Act and the Penitentiary Act, 1939 (c. 154, R.S.C. 1927 and c. 6, 1939)</i> changes the legislation concerning the confinement in gaols and penitentiaries of convicts convicted in the Yukon Territory or in the Northwest Territories.
39 Aug. 7	<i>An Act to amend the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Act (c. 160, R.S.C. 1927 and amendments).</i> Previous legislation made it possible for the Government of any Province of Canada to make arrangements to use the R.C.M.P. Force to aid in the administration of justice in such province. By the above Act this concession is extended to municipalities. Such arrangements may include the taking over by the Force of certain officers and men of the municipal police force concerned, but pension benefits provided for the members of the Force are not extended to such officers and men. Certain readjustments in connection with constables' pensions are made and legislation enacted concerning compensation for injury. Other amendments of a minor nature are also made.
Labour.—	
23 July 12	<i>The Unemployment and Agricultural Assistance Act, 1940.</i> The purpose of this Act is to assist in the alleviation of unemployment and agricultural distress. Even though employment has greatly increased under war conditions, it still appears necessary in the national interest that the Dominion should continue to supplement the measures taken by the provinces towards providing assistance to those in need, establishing unemployed persons in employment and training, and fitting suitable persons for productive occupations, thereby lessening provincial and municipal burdens consequent upon extraordinary conditions of unemployment and at the same time developing the economic capacity of the nation to carry on the War.