

**Legislation of the Second Session of the Twenty-Second Parliament,
Jan. 7 to July 28, 1955—concluded**

Subject, Chapter and Date of Assent	Synopsis
Transportation and Communications —concl.	
15 May 4	<i>The Foreign Aircraft Third Party Damage Act</i> implements the Convention agreed upon by the International Civil Aviation Organization designed to ensure adequate compensation for persons who suffer damage caused on the surface by foreign aircraft, while limiting in a reasonable manner the extent of the liabilities incurred for such damage in order not to hinder the development of international civil air transport.
29 June 28	<i>The Canadian National Railways Act</i> consolidates under one statute the various enactments relating to the organization, administration and financing of the Canadian National Railways.
30 June 28	<i>The Canadian National Railways Financing and Guarantee Act, 1955</i> authorizes the provision of moneys to meet certain capital expenditures of the Canadian National Railways System during 1955 and authorizes the guarantee of certain securities to be issued by the Company.
31 June 28	<i>The Canadian National Railways Refunding Act, 1955</i> provides for the refunding of matured, maturing and callable financial obligations.
38 June 28	<i>The New Westminster Harbour Commissioners Loan Act, 1955</i> provides financial assistance for the construction of a causeway and trestle-bridge to give access to Annacis Island in New Westminster harbour.
41 June 28	<i>An Act to amend the Railway Act</i> raises from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 the annual federal appropriation placed to the credit of the Railway Grade Crossing Fund to be used for construction work for the protection, safety and convenience of the public in respect of level crossings. The amendment also includes certain changes in connection with the administration of the fund.
42 June 28	<i>An Act to approve an agreement between The Toronto Harbour Commissioners, The Toronto Terminals Railway Company, Canadian National Railway Company and Canadian Pacific Railway Company</i> concerns the ownership of certain railway facilities on Harbour Commission property.
47 July 11	<i>The International River Improvements Act</i> requires the procuring of a licence for the construction, operation or maintenance of any international river improvement, such as a dam, obstruction, canal, reservoir or any other work that will alter the natural flow or interfere with the actual or potential use of such international river outside Canada. This Act, except in specified instances, applies to the Government of Canada, to the Government of any province and to any private individual.
57 July 28	<i>An Act to amend the Radio Act</i> places under government control and inspection the construction of radio station antennae and imposes a penalty for unlawful interception of radio communications.
58 July 28	<i>An Act to amend the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority Act</i> gives to the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority the power to expropriate lands on Indian reserves as well as other lands.
59 July 28	<i>An Act to amend the Transport Act</i> implements the Report of the Royal Commission established to enquire into the application and effects of agreed freight rates as authorized by the Board of Transport Commissioners.
Miscellaneous—	
19 May 26	<i>An Act to amend the Emergency Gold Mining Assistance Act</i> extends the application of the Act to the years 1955 and 1956.
20 May 26	<i>An Act to amend the Historic Sites and Monuments Act</i> amplifies the definition of "historic place" and changes slightly the representation on the Board as well as the method and amount of payment to Board members.
26 June 28	<i>An Act to amend the Blind Persons Act</i> lowers the age for eligibility to 18 years and increases the allowance.
37 June 28	<i>An Act to amend the National Parks Act and to establish a National Park in the Province of Newfoundland</i> provides for the withdrawal of certain lands from Waterton Lakes and National Park so that they might be turned over to the Blood Indians in exchange for rights-of-way, for the withdrawal of an island from the St. Lawrence Islands National Park, and for the establishment of a National Park in Newfoundland.