

Synopsis of legislation

Appendix 2

Synopsis of legislation of the first session of the 30th Parliament, September 30, 1974 to October 12, 1976, passed in the 23rd, 24th and 25th years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

In summarizing this material it is not possible to convey the full content of the legislation. For further details the reader should refer to the *Statutes of Canada*, Chapters 1-60, 1974-75-76, Volume I, and *Statutes of Canada*, Chapters 61-118, 1974-75-76, Volume II. The chapter number is followed by the date of Royal Assent.

Chapter 1 (October 10, 1974) *West Coast Grain Handling Operations Act, 1974* provides for the resumption of grain handling at ports on the west coast of Canada.

Chapter 2 (October 30, 1974) *Appropriation Act No. 3, 1974* grants certain sums of money for the public service for the financial year ending March 31, 1975.

Chapter 3 (November 27, 1974) *An Act to amend the Army Benevolent Fund Act* gives the Army Benevolent Fund Board the authority to manage other funds of a similar nature.

Chapter 4 (November 27, 1974) *An Act to amend the Canada Pension Plan* redefines and modifies certain sections of the plan and provides, among other things, for equality of status for males and females under the act; provides for persons of certain religious sects to elect once in their lives not to make contributions under the act with respect to self-employed earnings; and removes the requirement that a person 65-70 be retired to be eligible for a pension.

Chapter 5 (November 27, 1974) *An Act to amend the Customs Act* extends Canadian customs jurisdiction to the outer limits of the territorial sea of Canada.

Chapter 6 (November 27, 1974) *An Act to amend the Customs Tariff* provides for the temporary removal of customs duties on certain petroleum products; and provides for temporary tariff reductions on consumer goods to June 30, 1974 and on sugar and related products to June 30, 1976.

Chapter 7 (November 27, 1974) *An Act to authorize federal trust companies and loan companies to increase the monetary limit of their borrowing power and to issue subordinated notes.*

Chapter 8 (November 27, 1974) *An Act to amend the War Veterans Allowance Act and the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act* provides for at least 12 amendments to allow veterans to meet the increased cost of living. It includes quarterly escalation of income ceilings, new benefits for children, widows and widowers, improved payments for orphans and equality of status for males and females under the act.

Chapter 9 (December 13, 1974) *An Act to amend the Immigration Act* makes it an offence for a person against whom a deportation order is made to return to Canada without the consent of the minister in the circumstances described.

Chapter 10 (December 13, 1974) *An Act to amend the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act* makes two additions to the definitions section of the act.

Chapter 11 (December 13, 1974) *Alberta-British Columbia Boundary Act, 1974* establishes a commission to resurvey the sinuous boundary line between these two provinces and to settle disputes respecting the boundary.

Chapter 12 (December 13, 1974) *An Act to amend the Fire Losses Replacement Account Act* extends the application of the act to property which is appropriated to the Yukon or Northwest Territories.

Chapter 13 (December 20, 1974) *Representation Act, 1974* provides for readjusted representation in the House of Commons, establishes electoral boundaries commissions and removes the temporary suspension of the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act.

Chapter 14 (December 20, 1974) *Federal Business Development Act* provides for incorporation of the Federal Business Development Bank as a Crown corporation.