

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

Subject, Chapter and Date of Assent	Synopsis
<b>Constitution and Government— concl.</b>	
44 July 11	<i>An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act</i> includes many changes of technical, remedial and consequential nature, all of which are intended to improve the situation for the electors and the administrators. The Chief Electoral Officer is given the full status of a Deputy Minister plus a salary increase and the allotment for personal expenses of a candidate is increased from \$1,000 to \$2,000.
49 July 11	<i>An Act to amend the Municipal Grants Act</i> broadens the scope of grant payments to municipalities in lieu of taxes and increases the number of municipalities that may qualify for such grants. The grants will be calculated on the ratio of federal property to taxable property only instead of on the ratio of federal property to taxable and federal property combined, and will be calculated on the full real property tax rate rather than on 75 p.c. of that rate.
<b>Defence and Veterans Affairs—</b>	
13 Mar. 31	<i>An Act to amend the War Veterans Allowance Act, 1952</i> increases the monthly allowance under the Act and raises the limits of permissible income. Certain benefits are also extended to additional classes of persons.
28 June 28	<i>The Canadian Forces Act, 1955</i> contains amendments to the National Defence Act and the Defence Services Pension Act.
43 June 28	<i>An Act to amend the Veterans Benefit Act, 1954</i> terminates at July 1, 1955 the benefits of the Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act and the Unemployment Insurance Act which were made applicable to short-term engagements resulting from the Korean emergency in 1950.
52 July 28	<i>An Act to amend the Defence Production Act</i> extends the life of Sects. 23 to 31 of the Act to July 31, 1959. The amendment also provides that regulations made under the Act must be laid before Parliament as soon as possible. If, within seven days, a notice of motion is given signed by ten members calling for revocation or amendment, that motion must be debated within the next four sitting days.
<b>Finance—</b>	
3 Mar. 24	<i>An Act to amend the Financial Administration Act</i> raises the salary of the Auditor General to \$20,000 per annum.
7 Mar. 31	<i>Appropriation Act No. 1, 1955</i> grants certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending Mar. 31, 1956.
8 Mar. 31	<i>Appropriation Act No. 2, 1955</i> grants certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending Mar. 31, 1955.
10 Mar. 31	<i>The Canada-Ireland Income Tax Agreement Act, 1955</i> implements an agreement between Canada and Ireland for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to income tax.
11 Mar. 31	<i>The Canada-Ireland Succession Duty Agreement Act, 1955</i> implements an agreement between Canada and Ireland for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to succession duty.
18 May 26	<i>Appropriation Act No. 3, 1955</i> grants certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending Mar. 31, 1956.
25 June 28	<i>Appropriation Act No. 4, 1955</i> grants certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending Mar. 31, 1956.
32 June 28	<i>An Act to amend the Customs Act</i> includes among other amendments a revision of sections of the Act relating to the valuation of goods for duty and places a limit on the period during which appeals against the original appraisal may be made.
51 July 28	<i>An Act to amend the Customs Tariff</i> gives effect to budget resolutions which affected about 80 tariff items. Many of these were amendments to remove uncertainties and administrative difficulties but there were also tariff reductions on a wide range of items.
53 July 28	<i>An Act to amend the Excise Tax Act</i> gives effect to Budget resolutions on the Excise Tax Act which, in particular, reduced the special excise tax on passenger automobiles from 15 p.c. to 10 p.c. and repealed the 10 p.c. special excise tax on tires and tubes.