



## CHAPTER 29

An Act respecting the sale of unwrought precious metals

[Assented to, the 22nd of June, 1940]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. This act may be cited as the: “Unwrought Short title.  
Metal Sales Act”.
2. In this act and in the regulations thereunder, “Unwrought metal”.  
the expression “unwrought metal” means gold, silver, platinum or other precious metal in:
  1. ore the value whereof exceeds twenty-five cents per pound *avoirdupois* weight;
  2. nuggets, amalgams, concentrates or residues obtained from the treatment of ore;
  3. ingots, bars, wire, beads or sheets.
3. No person shall, without being the holder of a License to sell, etc.  
license from the Minister of Mines, receive, purchase, sell or alienate unwrought metal in this Province.
4. No person shall, in this Province, sell or deliver Selling, etc., only to holder of license.  
unwrought metal to a person who does not hold such a license, nor receive or purchase it from such person.
5. The above provisions do not apply to: Exceptions.
  1. the person who purchases, from the holder of a license, unwrought metal delivered in a form suitable for industrial, artistic or scientific purposes;

2. the person who sells less than three ounces of unwrought metal per month.

**Regulations.**      **6.** The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations:

*a.* to regulate the issuing, renewal and cancellation of licenses;

*b.* to determine the cost, the conditions and the duration thereof;

*c.* to prohibit the holders of licenses from doing business at certain hours, upon certain days of the week and in certain localities;

*d.* to oblige the holders of licenses to enter in registers or records, all operations relating to unwrought metal and to transmit reports containing the information deemed necessary in this connection;

*e.* to authorize, upon conditions deemed expedient, the holders of licenses to purchase or receive unwrought metal from certain categories of persons not holding licenses;

*f.* generally, for the proper carrying out of this act.

**Offence and penalty.**

**7.** Any person infringing the provisions of this act or of the regulations made under its authority, commits an unlawful act and shall be liable, for the first offence, to a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars and costs, and, for any subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars with costs and to imprisonment for not more than one year.

**Coming into force.**

**8.** This act shall come into force upon such date as the Lieutenant-Governor may be pleased to fix by proclamation.