



CHAPTER 29

An Act respecting the shipping of wood to places
outside of the Province

[Assented to, the 20th of May, 1937]

WHEREAS the forests of the Province constitute one Preamble.
of its most important natural resources;

Whereas it is just that the population of the Province benefit before others from the enhancing of the value of this natural resource;

Whereas it is accordingly expedient to regulate and supervise the shipping to places outside the Province of wood coming from our forests;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Any person, firm or corporation shipping, directly or indirectly, by any means of transportation whatsoever to places outside of the Province, wood not worked within the meaning of this act and which comes from public or private lands in the Province, must previously obtain a shipping permit issued by the Department of Lands and Forests, upon payment of such fees as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may fix. Permit for shipping of certain wood.

Such permit shall remain in force for one year from its issue. Duration.

2. At the expiration of every month or at any other period determined by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, every person, firm or corporation contemplated Transmitting of reports.

in section 1 of this act must transmit to the Minister of Lands and Forests in the city of Quebec such sworn information and reports as may be prescribed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Making of
regulations
by Lt.-Gov.
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3. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations to:

a. define what is worked wood within the meaning of this act;

b. determine the form and the manner of the issuing of the permits;

c. prescribe the fees, not exceeding one hundred dollars, payable upon the issuing of the permits;

d. prescribe any other provisions which he may deem expedient for the carrying out of this act, provided they be not inconsistent with the latter.

Free per-
mits.

4. The shipping permits granted to settlers and farmers shall be gratuitous.

Offence and
penalty.

5. Whosoever:

a. ships wood without a shipping permit in force; or

b. makes a false report of the wood shipped,—

commits an offence and shall be liable for each offence, in addition to the cancellation of his permit, to a fine of not less than two dollars nor more than five dollars per cord of wood of one hundred and twenty-eight cubic feet shipped with respect to wood which can be measured by the cord, and per one hundred solid cubic feet with respect to any other wood, and, in default of payment of the fine and the costs, to an imprisonment of one month to three months.

Instituting
of proceed-
ings.

Proceedings for penalties in virtue of this act shall be instituted by the Attorney-General upon the recommendation of the Minister of Lands and Forests.

Privileged
debt.

The sums due to the Crown for fines imposed in virtue of this section shall constitute a privileged debt ranking immediately after law costs. They shall not be subject to the formality of registration.

Coming into
force.

6. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.