



CHAPTER 109

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Hull

[Assented to, the 19th of February, 1932]

WHEREAS the city of Hull has, by its petition, prayed Preamble.
for an act to amend its charter, the act 56 Victoria, chapter 52, as amended by the acts 58 Victoria, chapter 53; 61 Victoria, chapter 56; 1 Edward VII, chapter 45; 2 Edward VII, chapter 52; 4 Edward VII, chapter 56; 8 Edward VII, chapter 88; 3 George V, chapter 56; 5 George V, chapter 92; 7 George V, chapter 68; 9 George V, chapter 96; 13 George V, chapter 94; 15 George V, chapter 96, and 20 George V, chapter 112, and it is expedient to grant its prayer;

Whereas the council of the city of Hull adopted a loan by-law on the 15th of September, 1930, bearing number 283 of its by-laws;

Whereas doubts have recently arisen as to the legality of certain portions of the said by-law, of a nature to cause a prejudice to the city and to injure the sale of the debentures issued under such by-law;

Whereas it is in the public interest to regularize the situation and validate the said by-law No. 283, adopted by the council and approved by the ratepayers of the city;

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer contained in the said petition;

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

1. Section 77 of the act 56 Victoria, chapter 52, as re-56 Vict..
placed by the act 1 Edward VII, chapter 45, section 4, is c. 52, s. 77,
again replaced by the following: replaced.

R. S., c. 102, ss. 399, 400, replaced for city. **"77.** Sections 399 and 400 of the Cities and Towns' Act (Revised Statutes, 1925, chapter 102) are replaced, for the city, by the following:

Submission of by-laws to electors. **"399.** Whenever a by-law has to be submitted to the approval of the municipal electors, the council shall fix a day for the opening of the poll. Such day shall not be later than forty days from the date of the passing of the by-law by the council.

Notice of poll. The clerk shall, at least fifteen days before the day fixed, give public notice calling upon the electors who are owners of immoveable property to vote and indicating the hour, day and place where the poll will be held.

Publication. Such public notice must be published in French and in English, for two consecutive weeks before the voting, in a newspaper published in the city, and, if there be no such newspaper in the city, in a newspaper of a neighbouring place.

Contents of notice. Such public notice must mention the object of the by-law and, if the object is the borrowing of money, the said notice shall state the amount to be borrowed, the interest to be paid thereon and the maturity of each loan.

Coming into force of by-laws. Such by-laws shall not come into force until fifteen days after the publication of a notice in the above manner, setting forth the approval by the majority of the municipal electors who are property-owners and by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council when such approvals are required."

56 Vict., c. 52, s. 428a, added. **2.** The act 56 Victoria, chapter 52, is amended by adding thereto, after section 428 thereof, the following section:

R. S., c. 102, s. 469, am., for city. **"428a.** Paragraph 12 of section 469 of the Cities and Towns' Act is replaced, for the city, by the following:

License on non-resident merchants. **"12.** To impose and levy an annual license or permit not exceeding two hundred dollars, on merchants doing business in the city who do not reside therein or who have been resident therein less than three months, and whose names are not entered on the valuation roll as owners of immoveables, but who are temporarily occupying premises, and the council is not obliged to impose a tax or license on those resident therein more than three months;".

56 Vict., c. 52, s. 456a, added. **3.** The act 56 Victoria, chapter 52, is amended by adding thereto, after section 456 thereof, the following section:

Renewal of contracts for supplying electricity. **"456a.** During the year preceding and at the expiration of the term mentioned in any contract entered into between the council and any public utility company, res-

pecting the supplying of electricity for light, heat and power by such company to the municipality, which itself distributes same to its ratepayers, the Quebec Public Service Commission, on a petition to that effect, may order that the contract be extended or renewed on such other or similar terms, prices and conditions, as it may determine."

4. By-law No. 283, adopted by the council of the city on the 15th of September, 1930, is hereby ratified, confirmed and declared valid for all legal purposes, and the debentures issued in virtue thereof are declared valid and binding on the city of Hull according to their form and tenor, and the interest stipulated in the said loan by-law may be increased by resolution of the council to a rate not exceeding six per cent per annum. The said debentures shall be dated as from the 1st of March, 1932, and the council may, by resolution, amend the said by-law accordingly as to the maturities.

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

Validation
of by-law
No. 283.
Coming into
force.

