

“§ 5.—*Powers of certain companies respecting the composition of the Board of Directors*”

Special provision *re* directorate of companies for forest fire protection.

“**6119e.** Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, any company incorporated under the Quebec Companies’ Act and whose principal object is the protection of the forest in the Province or in certain parts of the Province, against fire, may by by-law provide that the Minister of Lands and Forests, or such person as he may from time to time designate, shall be a member *ex officio* of its board of directors, and that the other members, or some of the other members of its board of directors, instead of being elected at the general meeting of the shareholders, may be appointed, one by each other company incorporated under the same act for similar purposes and holding, in its own name or in the name of one or more trustees, one or more shares therein; and it shall not be necessary that such trustee have the qualifications required by article 6064 to be a member of the board of directors.”

Coming into force.

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

CHAP. 63

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting electric telephone companies

[Assented to 9th February, 1918]

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

R. S., 6265a and 6265b, enacted.

1. The Revised Statutes, 1909, are amended by inserting therein, after article 6265 thereof, the following:

Penalty for operators, &c., divulging purport of conversations over telephone lines.

“**6265a.** Every operator or other person in the employ of an electric telephone company, who listens to or acquires knowledge of any conversation or message that is being carried on by means of the apparatus of such company, and who, except when lawfully authorized or directed so to do, divulges the purport or substance of such conversation or message, shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars recoverable by suit in a competent court by any person suing therefor his own name, or, in default of payment of such penalty, to imprisonment for a period not

exceeding three months, or both, in the discretion of the court before which the conviction is had.

“**6265b.** Every person who listens to or acquires Same knowledge of any conversation or message passing over penalty for the lines of an electric telephone system, not addressed to other persons. or intended for such person, and divulges the same or the purport or substance thereof, except when lawfully authorized or directed so to do, shall be liable to the same penalty and imprisonment as are enacted in article 6265a.”

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

C H A P . 64

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting companies to facilitate the transmission of timber down rivers and streams

[Assented to 9th February, 1918]

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

1. Article 6269 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended R. S., 6269, by replacing the words: “Minister of Public Works and am. Labour”, in the third and fourth lines of the third paragraph thereof, by the words: “Minister of Lands and Forests”.

2. Article 6272 of the said statutes is amended: R. S., 6272,
a. By replacing the words: “Minister of Public Works am. and Labour”, in the third line thereof, by the words: “Minister of Lands and Forests”;
b. By replacing the words: “Minister of Public Works and Labour”, in the tenth and eleventh lines thereof, by the words: “Minister of Lands and Forests”.

3. Article 6274 of the said statutes is amended: R. S., 6274, am.
a. By replacing the words: “Minister of Public Works and Labour”, in the second line thereof, by the words: “Minister of Lands and Forests”;
b. By replacing the words: “Minister of Public Works and Labour”, in the sixth and seventh lines thereof, by the words: “Minister of Lands and Forests”.