

## C H A P. 39

An Act to amend article 3626 of the Revised Statutes, 1909.

[Assented to 19th February, 1914]

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

**1.** Article 3626 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is R. S. 3626 amended by striking out the words: “of a member of <sup>am.</sup> the Legislative Assembly, or” in the third and fourth lines thereof.

**2.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanc- <sup>Coming into</sup> tion. <sup>force.</sup>

## C H A P. 40

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting exhibitions of moving pictures.

[Assented to 19th February, 1914]

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

**1.** Article 3713c of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as R. S. 3713c. enacted by the act 1 George V, (2nd session) chapter 34, <sup>am.</sup> section 1, is amended by adding at the end of the first paragraph thereof, the following words:

“The magistrate may in any case annul the license issued under article 1301b, and notify the proper collector of provincial revenue accordingly.”

**2.** Article 3713m of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as <sup>Id.</sup> 3713m enacted by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 1, is <sup>am.</sup> amended by adding thereto the following paragraphs:

“The Lieutenant-Governor in council may appoint, <sup>Inspector to</sup> at an annual salary of not more than fifteen hundred <sup>be ap-</sup> dollars, an inspector of moving picture halls. Such <sup>pointed.</sup> officer shall be under the control of the board of censors of moving pictures, and his duties shall be, from time to time, defined by the Lieutenant-Governor in council.

The salary and travelling expenses of the inspector <sup>Salary and</sup> shall be paid according to the provisions of this article.” <sup>expenses.</sup>

Id., 3713p  
replaced.

**3.** Article 3713p of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as enacted by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 1, is replaced by the following:

Fee to be  
paid on each  
film before  
inspection.

**"3713p.** Before the commission may examine the films or devices submitted to it for approval, the person presenting such films or devices must produce a receipt showing that he has paid to the collector of provincial revenue for the district of Montreal for each film or device as defined in the rules, a fee of one dollar in the case of a film exchange, or a fee of five dollars in the case of another person.

The provisions of articles 1305 and following shall apply to the fees collected under this subsection."

Id. 3713q  
am.

**4.** Article 3713q of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as enacted by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 1, is amended by adding thereto the following paragraphs:

Confiscation  
of films  
wrongfully  
used.

"The film or device so used contrary to law, shall be confiscated by any member of the provincial police or of a municipal police force, or by any person delegated by a municipal council or by the inspector, and shall be produced before the court.

And destruc-  
tion if ne-  
cessary.

When sentence is pronounced condemning the offender, the judge shall maintain the confiscation, and the clerk of the court shall send the film or device so confiscated to the board in order that the latter may summarily destroy it if necessary."

Id. 3713r  
replaced.

**5.** Article 3713r of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as enacted by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 1, is replaced by the following:

Certain offi-  
cers may  
enter any  
building  
where films  
are kept.

**"3713r.** Any member of the board of censors, of the provincial police, or any member of a municipal police force designated by the chief of police, or any person delegated by a municipal council, or the inspector, may, at any time, enter any building or place where any such films or devices are kept for use, and may examine the same in order to ascertain whether they have been stamped as aforesaid, or whether such films or devices have, after being examined by the commission, been altered, in a manner not approved by the commission, and any person hindering a police officer or person delegated by the council or the inspector, in the performance of such duty, shall be liable to the penalty prescribed by article 3713c.

Penalty.

Offence to  
alter a film  
after ap-  
proval.

Every person who, with the intention of using the same, alters in a manner not approved by the commission any film or device approved by the commission, shall be liable to a fine of not less than two hundred dollars and costs,

and, in default of payment, to imprisonment for not less than two nor more than three months, and for a subsequent offence, to a fine of at least five hundred dollars and costs, and, in default of payment, to imprisonment for not less than three nor more than five months." Penalty.

**6.** Article 3713*n* of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as Id., 3713*n* enacted by 3 George V, chapter 36, section 1, is amended by am. adding thereto the following paragraphs:

"When the commission sits without all the members Appeal to thereof being present, and refuses authority to use a film the commis- or device, the party interested in obtaining the approval of sion. such film or device may appeal from such decision to the full commission.

This appeal is made by means of a registered letter addressed to the chairman of the commission. At the time fixed by the chairman it shall be the duty of the full commission to again examine the film or device, and to decide finally as to the acceptance or the refusal thereof."

**7.** Article 1177 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as Id. 1177, am. amended by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 2, is further amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

"8. To carry on a film exchange business or the business License re- of travelling exhibitors of moving pictures in various quired for places, within the meaning of article 1301*a*." film ex- change.

**8.** Article 1301*a* of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as Id. 1301*a* enacted by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 3, is replaced. replaced by the following:

"**1301*a*.** The words "moving picture hall" mean, for "Moving the purposes of subsection 12*a*, a public hall or a thea- picture hall." tre in which shows or exhibitions of moving pictures, whether accompanied or not by theatrical performances or any other shows, are habitually given apart from or including the months of July and August, for a price of admission charged to the public.

The words "film exchange" mean any person selling, "Film ex- leasing or exchanging films or devices for exhibitions of mo- change." ving pictures by means of cinematographs, moving picture machines or other similar means.

The words "travelling exhibitor" mean any person "Travelling giving exhibitions of moving pictures in more than one exhibitor." place for a remuneration for himself or under contract with other persons."

**9.** Article 1301*b* of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as Id. 1301*b* am.

enacted by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 3, is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

Extra fee for film exchange of travelling exhibition. "In order to obtain a license to do a film exchange business, or to give travelling exhibitions, the person applying for the same shall pay to the revenue collector for the district of Montreal, in addition to the fees specified in the tariff hereinafter established, a fee of five dollars, three dollars whereof shall be remitted to the Provincial Treasurer, and two dollars shall be retained by the collector."

Id. 1301*d* am.

**10.** Article 1301*d* of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as enacted by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 3, is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

Penalty for infringement.

"Every person doing a film exchange business or giving travelling exhibitions of moving pictures within the meaning of this subsection 12*a*, without having a valid license therefor, shall be liable to the fine or imprisonment provided in this article."

Id. 1302 am.

**11.** Article 1302 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as amended by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 4, is further amended by inserting, after the figures "1295" in the sixth line thereof, the words: "the case of persons doing a film exchange business or giving travelling exhibitions of moving pictures."

Tariff am.

**12.** The tariff of fees for licenses contained in article 1302 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, and as amended by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 5, is further amended:

*a.* By replacing the words "fee and duty" in the second line of division XII by the words "duties";

*b.* By adding the following paragraphs to division XII:

"For every film exchange license.....\$150.00  
For every travelling license..... 150.00".

Id. 1303 am.

**13.** Article 1303 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as amended by the act 3 George V, chapter 36, section 6, is further amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

"8. Every establishment used by a person doing a film exchange business."

Coming into force.

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