

macadamiz-
certain
roads.

2013, upon petition of the majority of the rate-payers of a specified part of the municipality, a rural municipality, notwithstanding the by-law mentioned in article 2013 and any provision of the Municipal Code to the contrary, may pass a by-law ordering the macadamizing or gravelling of the roads or parts of roads for which the subsidy is demanded, and the maintaining of such roads as macadamized or gravelled roads, as the case may be, at the expense of the rate-payers of said part of the municipality, and imposing a direct tax for that purpose upon the taxable property of the said part of the municipality. The said municipality may also order that such roads, after having been macadamized or gravelled by the rate-payers, shall be maintained by the municipality instead of by the rate-payers of a part of the municipality."

Id., 2022a,
am.

By-laws re
principal
road in mun-
cipality.

2. Article 2022a of the said statutes, is amended by adding before the last paragraph, the following:

"Upon petition of the majority of the rate-payers of a specified part of the municipality, a village municipality may pass a by-law ordering, notwithstanding any by-law passed in virtue of article 2013 or article 2016, and notwithstanding any provision of the Municipal Code to the contrary, that the principal road for which the subsidy is demanded, or a part of such road, be macadamized or gravelled, and maintained as such, as the case may be, at the expense of the rate-payers of that part of the municipality, and imposing a direct tax for that purpose upon the taxable property of the said part of the municipality. The said municipality may also order that the road or part of road, after having been macadamized or gravelled by the rate-payers, shall be maintained by the municipality instead of by the rate-payers of a part of a municipality."

Coming into
force.

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

C H A P . 2 3

An Act to authorize the Government to contribute to the payment of the interest, and to pay the sinking fund of the sums borrowed by municipalities for the improvement of roads.

[Assented to 3rd April, 1912.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS good means of communication contribute to the development of agricultural, industrial and commercial prosperity;

Whereas efforts have been made in this direction by muni-

cialties, and by the Government under the laws in force, and good results have been obtained;

Whereas it is important to offer new facilities to the municipalities which favour the improvement of municipal roads, and, thereby, the making of great main roads;

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

1. The following section is inserted in the Revised Statutes, R.S.Q., 1909, after section fifteenth of chapter seventh of title fourth, as replaced by the act 1 George V, (2nd session), chapter 21, section 1. ^{2022e-2022t added.}

“SECTION XV*a*.

“THE CONTRIBUTION GRANTED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO AID IN PAYING THE INTEREST AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SINKING FUND OF SUMS BORROWED BY MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF ROADS.

“**2022e.** This section may be cited as “The Good Roads Short title. Act, 1912.”

“**2022f.** Any rural, village or county municipality wishing to improve its roads and to take the benefit of this section, must: ^{Conditions to be complied with.}

a. Pass a by-law, which is to come into force on the date therein mentioned, ordering the macadamizing, stoning or gravelling of the roads therein described; ^{By-law.}

b. Thereafter order, by resolution, the borrowing of the sums necessary for the making or improvement of the roads described in the by-law passed under paragraph *a* of this article. ^{Loan resolution.}

The resolution shall provide, by means of a special assessment or otherwise, for the payment of one half of the interest each year by the municipality. ^{Special assessment.}

“**2022g.** Town municipalities, in certain exceptional cases left to the discretion of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may also benefit by this section, on complying with its requirements. ^{Town municipalities.}

“**2022h.** When the requirements of article 2022f have been complied with to his satisfaction the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall approve the by-law and resolution, and shall authorize the Provincial Treasurer to promise to pay and to pay, at the maturity thereof, out of the consolidated revenue fund of the Province, one half of the interest and ^{Approval of by-law, &c., by L.-G. in C., &c.}

all the sinking fund payable in respect of loans contracted in accordance with article 2022*f*, until such loans have been paid in full; provided that:

a. The annual interest on each loan shall not be more than four per cent;

b. The annual sinking fund shall be sufficient to pay off the loan in not more than forty-one years; and

c. The total amount of the sums borrowed by municipalities, with the guarantee of the Government in virtue of this section shall not exceed ten million dollars.

Certain laws
not to apply. “2022*i*. The general or special laws governing the borrowing powers of any municipality shall not apply to the special loans contracted by a municipality which avails itself of this section.

Issue of de-
bentures,
&c. “2022*j*. The loans authorized by this section may be effected by the issue of debentures signed by the mayor and by the secretary-treasurer or clerk of the municipality, with a clause to the effect that the Government of the Province of Quebec undertakes to pay one half of the interest and the whole of the sinking fund of the loan. This clause shall be signed by the Provincial Treasurer or the Assistant Provincial Treasurer, when the Provincial Treasurer has been duly authorized in virtue of article 2022*h*.

Debentures
how sold. “2022*k*. The sale of the debentures issued in virtue of this section, shall be effected by the Provincial Treasurer who shall deposit the proceeds thereof, upon such conditions as he may think proper, in any chartered bank chosen by him.

Disburse-
ments how
made. “2022*l*. The sums required for the carrying out of the works ordered under this section, shall be paid by the bank which has received the deposit of the Provincial Treasurer, by cheques signed by the mayor and by the secretary-treasurer or clerk of the municipality which has decided to improve its roads and to effect a loan, and countersigned by the Minister of Agriculture and Roads or by the Deputy Minister of Roads.

Investment
of sinking
fund, &c. “2022*m*. The annual sinking fund instalments for the payment of the loans authorized by this section, as well as the interest accrued thereon, shall be invested or deposited by the Provincial Treasurer under the direction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Revenue “2022*n*. The balance of the revenues arising from the

carrying out of section twenty-first of chapter fifth of title from motor-fourth of the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting motor vehicles, vehicles, which have not been employed in the manner therein specified, shall be used, so far as they will go, for the annual payment of the one half of the interest exigible from the Government, and of the sinking fund of the loans contracted in virtue of this section.

“ **2022o.** So soon as the works are begun, the municipality shall make a report every month to the Minister of Agriculture and Roads. Such report shall state the work that has been done, give the amount in detail of the money expended, the amount of money on hand, and the work which remains to be done. The secretary-treasurer or clerk shall attest, under oath, the correctness of the report, and shall transmit the same to the Roads' Department by registered letter. Reports to Minister.

“ **2022p.** When the work mentioned in the by-law and resolution is done, the secretary-treasurer or clerk of the municipality, shall inform the Minister of Agriculture and Roads as to any balance of moneys not employed and in the possession of the municipality, arising from any loan contracted under this section. Such balance shall not be expended by the municipality except for the making or improvement of roads in the municipality, with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture and Roads. Balance of unexpended moneys.

“ **2022q.** No municipality which avails itself of the provisions of this section, shall at the same time benefit by the subsidies granted for such macadamizing or gravelling by section fifteenth of chapter seventh of title fourth of these Revised Statutes, (1 George V, (2nd session), chapter 21, sections 1 and 2; and such municipality if it receives at the same time a subsidy in respect of the maintenance of roads cannot take into account for such subsidy the expenses incurred for macadamizing or gravelling or both. Certain subsidies not to be received in certain cases, &c.

“ **2022r.** All the work for the making, improving or maintaining of the roads made or imposed under this section, shall be done by the municipality under the supervision and direction of any officer of the Roads' Department authorized for that purpose by the Minister of Agriculture and Roads. Who to supervise work.

“ **2022s.** The municipalities which avail themselves of this section shall have all the powers necessary to carry out the same, and all by-laws and resolutions passed in virtue thereof shall, so soon as they have been approved by the Powers of municipalities.

Lieutenant-Governor in Council be valid notwithstanding any irregularity or illegality therein.

Regulations
of L.-G. in
C.

" 2022t. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make, amend, replace and repeal regulations to determine the mode of payment of the interest exigible from municipalities or from the Government, and, generally, all regulations, or forms of by-laws, resolutions, reports, debentures or other forms which he thinks necessary for the carrying out of this section. Such regulations shall come into force from the date of their publication in the *Quebec Official Gazette*."

Who to carry
out act.

2. The Minister of Agriculture and Roads is charged with the carrying out of this act.

Coming into
force.

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

CHAP. 24

An Act to amend the Education Act respecting the pensions of officers of primary instruction and for other purposes.

[Assented to 3rd April, 1912.]

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

R.S.Q., 2547,
am.

1. Article 2547 of the Revised Statutes 1909, is amended by inserting, after the word "constitutes" in the third line, the words "an infant school."

Calling of
certain meet-
ings.

2. Article 2645 of the said statutes, is amended by replacing the second paragraph by the following:

"Such meetings shall be called for ten o'clock of the forenoon, and shall be held at some central place in the municipality, or at the place fixed by resolution of the commissioners or trustees in a neighbouring city, town or village municipality, if such neighbouring municipality is part of the same parish or township."

Id., 2709a,
added.

3. The following article is inserted in the said statutes after article 2709 as amended by the act 1 George V, (1st session), chapter 20, section 2:

Free text-
books in cer-
tain cases.

" 2709a. It shall be lawful for school commissioners or school trustees to supply, wholly or in part, text-books to