

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Section 4 of the *International Rapids Power Development Act* reads as follows.

- "4. For the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining the works to be undertaken pursuant to the agreement set out in the Schedule,
- (a) the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario shall have the powers and capacities of a natural person as if it were incorporated by Letters Patent under the Great Seal for that purpose; and
 - (b) the provisions of the *Power Commission Act* of the Province of Ontario with respect to the expropriation or taking of lands or property apply *mutatis mutandis* to the expropriation or taking of lands or properties for the works, and have effect as if enacted in this Act in relation thereto."

Since the *International Rapids Power Development Act* was given Royal assent on December 21st, 1951, the Legislature of Ontario passed the *St. Lawrence Development Act 1952 (No. 2)* which makes specific provision regarding the expropriation of lands or properties for the power project in the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence River.

The purpose of this Bill is to delete the reference to the *Power Commission Act* of Ontario from paragraph (b) of section 4 of the *International Rapids Power Development Act* and to replace it by a reference to the *St. Lawrence Development Act 1952 (No. 2)* of the Province of Ontario.