

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA.

BILL 12.

R.S., c. 6;  
1908, c. 26;  
1912, c. 24;  
1915, c.c. 11,  
14;  
1917, c.c. 34,  
39;  
1918, c.c. 20,  
47, 49;  
1919, c. 48;  
1919, 2 Sess.  
c. 2.

An Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons and the Electoral Franchise.

SHORT TITLE.

Short title. **1.** This Act may be cited as the *Dominion Elections Act*.

INTERPRETATION.

Definitions. **2.** In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the expression—

- "Advance poll." (a) "advance poll" means a poll held as by section ninety-nine of this Act provided; 5
- "Candidate." (b) "candidate" or "candidate at an election" includes any person elected to serve in the House of Commons of Canada at an election, or who is nominated as a candidate at an election, or who, after the day of the issue of the writ for an election or after the dissolution of Parliament or the occurrence of a vacancy in consequence of which a writ for an election is eventually issued, is declared by himself or by others to be a candidate; 10
- "Dominion election." (c) "Dominion election" or "election" means an election of a member or members to serve in the House of Commons of Canada; 15
- "Election." (d) "during an election" or "at an election" or "throughout an election" includes the period after the issue of the writ for an election, or after the dissolution of Parliament or the occurrence of a vacancy in consequence of which a writ for an election is eventually issued, until the elected candidate is returned as elected; 20
- "During an election." (e) "election officer" includes the Chief Electoral Officer and every returning officer, election clerk, deputy returning officer, poll clerk, or other person having any duty to perform pursuant to this Act to the faithful performance of which duty he may be sworn; 25
- "At an election." "Throughout an election."
- "Election officer."