

CHAPTER 7.

An Act respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

SHORT TITLE.

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Dominion Elections Act*." 37 V., c. 9, s. 135. Short Title.

INTERPRETATION.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,— Interpretation.

(a) The expression "election" means an election of a member to serve in the House of Commons; Election.

(b) The expression "electoral district" means any place in Canada entitled to return a member to the House of Commons; Electoral district.

(c) The expression "personal expenses," as used in this Act with respect to the expenditure of any candidate in relation to the election at which he is a candidate, includes the reasonable travelling expenses of such candidate, and the reasonable expenses of his living at hotels, or elsewhere, for the purpose of and in relation to such election. 37 V., c. 9, ss. 125 and 130. Personal expenses.

ISSUE OF ELECTION WRITS AND APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICERS.

3. Every writ for the election of a member of the House of Commons shall be dated and be returnable on such days as the Governor General determines, and shall be addressed to such person as the Governor General appoints; and such person shall be the returning officer at the election to which such writ relates: Provided always, that if the person to whom the writ has been addressed refuses, or is disqualified or unable to act, the Governor General may appoint another person to be such returning officer. 45 V., c. 3, s. 6. Writ of Election and Returning Officers.
Proviso.

4. The Governor General shall, *except as hereinafter mentioned*, fix the day for the nomination of candidates at the Day of nomination of candidates.