

An Act respecting the Lord's Day.

(Reprinted as amended in Committee of the Whole.)

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

- 1.** In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—
- 5 (a) "The Lord's Day" means the period of time which begins at twelve o'clock on Saturday afternoon and ends at twelve o'clock on the following afternoon; Definitions.
"Lord's Day."
- (b) "Person" has the meaning which it has in the Criminal Code, 1892; "Person."
- 10 (c) "Vessel" includes any kind of vessel or boat used for conveying passengers or freight by water; "Vessel."
- (d) "Railway" includes steam railway, electric railway, street railway and tramway; "Railway."
- (e) "Performance" includes any game, match, sport, concert, exhibition or entertainment; "Performance."
- 15 (f) "Employer" includes every person to whose orders or directions any other person is by his employment bound to conform. "Employer."
- (g) "Provincial Act" means any public Act of any province whether passed before or since Confederation. "Provincial Act."
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- 2.** It shall not be lawful for any person on the Lord's Day, except as provided herein or in any Provincial Act now or hereafter in force regarding matters coming within the classes of subjects enumerated in section 92 of the British North America Act, 1867, to sell or offer for sale or purchase any goods, chattels, or other personal property, or any real estate, or to carry on or transact any business of his ordinary calling, or in connection with such calling, or for gain to do, or employ any other person to do, on that day any work, business, or labour. No sales to be made or business or work done on Lord's Day.
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- 3.** Notwithstanding anything herein contained, any person may on the Lord's Day do any work of necessity or mercy, and for greater certainty, but not so as to restrict the ordinary meaning of the expression "work of necessity or mercy," it is hereby declared that it shall be deemed to include the following classes of work: Works of necessity and mercy not prohibited.
- 30 (a) Any necessary or customary work in connection with divine worship;
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