

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Department of Munitions and Supply Act was passed at the Fifth Session of the Eighteenth Parliament held between September 7th and September 13th, 1939, chapter three of the statutes of that session. The Act was brought into force by proclamation on April 9th, 1940. The Act later was amended at the 1st session of the 19th Parliament held between May 16th and November 5th, 1940, by chapter thirty-one of the statutes of that session.

1. Subsections two and three of section four presently read as follows:—

“(2) Such other officers, clerks and servants as are necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the Department shall be appointed or employed by the Minister with the approval of the Governor in Council.

(3) The officers, clerks and employees appointed or employed under the provisions of this section shall be paid such salaries or remuneration as the Minister, with the approval of the Governor in Council, may from time to time determine.”

When the Department was first created, the appointment and salaries of officers, clerks and servants were approved by the Governor in Council. The number of such officers, clerks and servants increased so greatly that later a large number thereof were appointed by the Civil Service Commission in the manner prescribed by Order in Council P.C. 1/1569 passed April 19th, 1940, for appointments made under the War Measures Act. In order to confirm the appointment of officers, clerks and servants through the Civil Service Commission and under the said Order in Council, it is considered desirable to pass the proposed amendments.