

This subjection will be struck out, inasmuch as the power to license is limited as between the Great Lakes and Father Point.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: All right.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Section 27, subsection 2, clause (a) reads:

If evidence is offered to prove,
(a) that during the period of twelve months next preceding the coming into force of the relevant Part of this Act on, in or in respect of the sea or inland waters of Canada,—

It is proposed to strike out the words "sea or inland waters" in line 37. As amended the clause will read:

If evidence is offered to prove,
(a) that during the period of twelve months next preceding the coming into force of the relevant Part of this Act on, in, or in respect of the Great Lakes or St. Lawrence river, or the part of Canada, or the highway to which the application for a licence relates, the applicant was bona fide engaged in the business of transport, and

It will be observed that the clause is limited to the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence river.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: That is the grandfather clause.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Yes.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: The honourable senator from Leeds (Hon. Mr. Hardy) will kindly move the amendments.

Hon. Mr. HARDY: I move to amend section 2 by inserting the following clauses (f) and (g):

(f) "Great Lakes" means lakes Ontario, Erie, Huron (including Georgian Bay), Michigan and Superior, and their connecting waters;

(g) "St. Lawrence river" means the St. Lawrence river as far seaward as a line drawn from Father Point to Point Orient.

The amendment was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. BEAUBIEN: Mr. Chairman, may I again draw the attention of the honourable leader of the House (Hon. Mr. Dandurand) to the territory covered by the Bill? He speaks of the lakes and their tributaries.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Connecting waters.

Hon. Mr. BEAUBIEN: Yes. But he does not mention the tributaries of the St. Lawrence. If a boat starts from the Richelieu river, and not from the St. Lawrence, will it be considered as having started within the territory in question?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I cannot quite visualize the volume of trade coming down the tributaries of the St. Lawrence, but I should have no objection to adding the words "and its tributaries."

Hon. Mr. BEAUBIEN: The St. Maurice would give you a considerable volume of traffic.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I am not sure it is navigable.

Hon. Mr. BEAUBIEN: It certainly is, and also the Richelieu and the Ottawa.

Hon. Mr. PARENT: And the Saguenay.

The CHAIRMAN: Clause (g) will now read: "St. Lawrence river and its tributaries."

Hon. Mr. HARDY: I move the amendment accordingly.

The amendment was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. HARDY: I move to amend section 5, subsection 1, to read as follows:

The Minister may license ships to transport passengers and/or goods from a port or place in Canada on the Great Lakes or St. Lawrence river to another port or place in Canada on the aforesaid Great Lakes or St. Lawrence river.

The amendment was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. HARDY: I move to amend section 6, subsection 1, to read as follows:

No goods or passengers shall be transported by water, from one port or place in Canada on the Great Lakes or St. Lawrence river to another port or place in Canada on the aforesaid Great Lakes or St. Lawrence river, either directly or by way of a foreign port or for any part of the transport, by means of any ship other than a ship licensed under this Part.

The amendment was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. HARDY: I move to amend section 8, subsection 1, to read as follows:

This Part shall not come into force until proclaimed to be in force by the Governor in Council.

The amendment was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. HARDY: I move to amend subsection 3 of section 8 to read as follows:

The Governor in Council may on the recommendation of the Board by proclamation extend the application of this Part to transport by means of ships registered in Canada between ports or places in Canada on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence river and ports or places outside of Canada.

The amendment was agreed to.