

Seats are to be vacated, the Writ or Writs of Election to be issued in consequence of the vacation of such Seat or Seats, shall be issued without its being necessary that any notice should be given by or to any party, and such Writ or Writs shall be issued within fourteen days from the time when such time shall have elapsed or such event shall have occurred as aforesaid; but if any such Seat shall be vacated otherwise than as aforesaid, and a Writ of Election is to be issued in consequence of such vacancy, notice thereof shall be given to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and the Writ of Election shall thereupon issue, in like manner *mutatis mutandis* as in cases of vacancies occurring in the Legislative Assembly.

**XXIX.** It shall be lawful for the Legislature of the said Province by any Act or Acts to be passed after the passing of this Act, to alter the Electoral Districts into which the said Province is or shall be divided for the purposes of this Act, or to alter the laws relative to Elections of Members of the Legislative Council, the issuing and return of Writs of Election, the provisions respecting Returning Officers at such Elections, and other matters incident to or connected with such Elections, or relative to the vacating of the Seats of Elected Members of the Legislative Council, or to the Trial of Controverted Elections of persons returned as Members thereof, or of Election Petitions and matters incident thereto; but neither the qualification herein required for Members of the Legislative Council, nor their period of service as such if their seats be not vacated before such period expires, nor the power of the Governor of the said Province to dissolve the said Council, shall be altered or affected by any such Act, nor shall it be lawful for the said Legislature to divide the Province for the purpose of representation in the Legislative Council, otherwise than into sixty Electoral Districts, thirty of which shall be in Upper Canada and thirty in Lower Canada, nor to alter the number of Members of the said Council, nor to cause such Electoral Districts to be represented in the Legislative Council otherwise than by one Member each.

The Canadian Legislature may amend certain provisions of this Act.

Certain provisions shall not be altered.

**XXX.** The expressions "The Legislative Council" or "The said Council," and "The Legislative Assembly" in this Act shall be understood to mean respectively, the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of the said Province of Canada, the name of any Officer shall include his Deputy or the person performing the duties of his office; and the other words and expressions in this Act shall have the same meaning as the like words and expressions in the Act hereby amended, and shall be construed with reference thereto.

Interpretation clause.