



CHAP. 55.

An Act to provide for Old Age Assistance.

[Assented to 30th June, 1951.]

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

- 1. This Act may be cited as The Old Age Assistance Act. Short title.
- 2. In this Act Definitions.
 - (a) "agreement" means an agreement made under section three; "agreement".
 - (b) "application" means an application for old age assistance; "application".
 - (c) "assistance" means old age assistance provided under provincial law to the persons and under the conditions specified in this Act and the regulations; "assistance".
 - (d) "Minister" means the Minister of National Health and Welfare; "Minister".
 - (e) "provincial authority" means the officer or body charged with the administration of the provincial law; "provincial authority".
 - (f) "provincial law" means a law of a province that provides for the payment of old age assistance to the persons and under the conditions specified in this Act and the regulations, and authorizes the province to enter into an agreement with the Government of Canada in accordance with this Act; "provincial law".
 - (g) "province" includes the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory; "province".
 - (h) "recipient" means a person to whom assistance has been granted, and includes an applicant for assistance; and "recipient".
 - (i) "unmarried person" includes a widow, a widower, a divorced person and a married person who, in the opinion of the provincial authority, is living separate and apart from his spouse. "unmarried person".
- 3. (1) The Minister, with the approval of the Governor in Council, may, on behalf of the Government of Canada, make an agreement with a province to provide for the payment to the province, in accordance with this Act and the regulations, of Agreements with provinces.