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An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled "An Act "to change the Constitution of the Legislative Coun"cil by rendering the same Elective," and for other purposes.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to whether it is lawful for any preamble. person being a member of the Legislative Assembly to become a Candidate for election as a member of the Legislative Council under the provisions of the Act in that behalf passed in the Session held in the nine-teenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty's reign, chapter one hundred and forty, or for any person being a member of the Legislative Council to become a Candidate for election as a member of the Legislative Assembly, and it is expedient to remove such doubts; and whereas it is also expedient to amend the said Act in other respects; therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada declares and enacts as follows:—

I. It is contrary to the true intent and meaning of the sixth section of sixth Section of the Act cited in the preamble of this Act for any person being at the control of the Act cited in the preamble of this Act for any person being at the control of the date of any writ for the election of a member of the Legislative Council a member of the Legislative Assembly, or being at the date of any writ for the election of a member of the Legislative Assembly a member of the I egislative Council to be, or to be deemed, a Candidate for election or to be elected under such writ, unless he shall have lawfully resigned and vacated his seat in the said Legislative Council or Legislative Assem-20 bly, or otherwise ceased to be a member thereof, before the nomination day or day fixed by the Returning Officer for opening the Election under such Writ.

II. Any member of the Legislative Council wishing to resign and Mode of vacating vacate his seat as such for the purpose of being elected a member of the citie order to be come candidate.

25 Legislative Assembly may do so (but not until after the expiration of the for Election to the Assembly first fifteen days of the Session of Parliament next after his election, or the termination of the said Session if of less than fifteen days duration, if he be an Elective Member) by addressing to the Speaker of the Legislative Council, or if there be then no Speaker, or if the Speaker be then 30 absent from the Province, or if the member so wishing to resign his seat be himself the Speaker, to any two members of the Legislative Council a declaration to that effect, made under his hand and seal before two witnesses, and delivering the same to the Returning Officer in possession of the writ under which he wishes to be so elected.