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An Act respecting the incorporation of
Live Stock Record Associations.

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MR. FISHER.

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An Act respecting the incorporation of Live Stock
Record Associations.

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

- 1.** Any five or more persons who desire to associate themselves together for the purpose of keeping a record of pure-bred live stock of any distinct breed or several records each of a distinct breed of the same class of animals, may make application, in the form A in the schedule to this Act, to the Minister of Agriculture for incorporation.
- 10** **2.** Such application shall be in duplicate, and shall include a copy of the proposed constitution, by-laws and rules of the association.
- 15** **3.** The signatures to the application shall be verified by the affidavit of a subscribing witness thereto, before a notary public, commissioner for taking affidavits or justice of the peace.
- 20** **2.** If the Minister approves of the application, he shall cause one of the duplicates thereof to be registered in the Department of Agriculture, and the other to be returned to the applicants with a certificate endorsed thereon and signed by him, in the form B in the schedule to this Act.
- 25** **3.** Thereupon, from the date of such certificate, the applicants and such other persons as become members of the association shall be a body corporate and politic by the name specified in the application, with the constitution, by-laws and rules included therein, and with power to hold such property as is required for the carrying on of the business of the association.
- 30** **4.** Not more than one association for each distinct breed of horses, cattle, sheep and swine shall be incorporated under this Act.
- 35** **5.** The constitution, by-laws and rules of the association shall provide for—
- (a) the registration of pedigrees of pure-bred live stock;
 - (b) the suspension and expulsion of members;
 - (c) the election of officers and their duties, and the filling of vacancies;
 - (d) the mode of convening annual, general and special meetings;

Application
for Incorporation.

In duplicate.

Attestation of
signatures.

Certificate of
Minister's
approval.

Incorporation
of association.

Number of
associations
limited.

Constitution,
by-laws and
rules.

- (e) the audit of accounts ;
 (f) the location of the head office and of the branch offices,
 if any.

Amendments
 thereto.

6. The constitution may be altered and any by-law or rule may be altered or repealed at a meeting of the association called for that purpose, but no such alteration or repeal shall have force or effect until it has been approved by the Minister and registered in the Department of Agriculture. 5

Books.

7. The association shall cause a book to be kept by the secretary at the head office, and by an assistant secretary at each branch office, wherein shall be written a copy of the constitution, by-laws and rules, so that persons becoming members of the association may examine the said documents. 10

Members.

8. The association may consist of annual subscribers and life members, and the annual and life membership fees shall be fixed by the members at the annual meeting or at a meeting of the association called for that purpose. 15

New
 members.

2. Any person who has not been expelled from the association may become a member thereof by giving or sending his name and address to the secretary, together with the annual or life membership fee ; and such person shall thereupon be entitled to the rights and privileges, and subject to the liabilities of a member as fully as if he had signed the application for the incorporation of the association. 20

Constitution,
 etc., binding
 on members.

9. The constitution, by-laws and rules of the association shall bind the association and the members thereof to the same extent as if each member had subscribed his name and affixed his seal thereto. 25

Liability of
 members.

10. The liability of each member shall be limited to the amount of his membership fees due. 30

Annual
 report.

11. At the annual meeting the retiring officers shall present a full report of their proceedings and of the proceedings of the association, and a detailed statement, duly audited, of the receipts and expenditures for the previous year, and of the assets and liabilities. 35

Copy to be
 sent to
 Minister.

2. A copy of the said report, with a list of the members and their addresses and a list of the officers elected, shall be sent by the secretary to the Minister within twenty days after the annual meeting.

Forfeiture of
 corporate
 powers.

12. If the association ceases for twelve consecutive months to do business as required by its constitution, by-laws and rules, or if the Minister is satisfied, after an enquiry at which the association was given due notice to appear, that the business of the association is not being properly conducted, the Minister may declare the corporate powers of the association forfeited. 45

Penalty for
 signing or
 presenting
 false pedigree.

13. Any person who signs a false pedigree intended for registration, or who presents or causes another person to present a false pedigree for registration, by the association shall,

upon summary conviction, upon information laid within two years from the commission of the offence, be liable to a penalty not less than one hundred dollars and not exceeding five hundred dollars for each false pedigree so signed or presented, together with the costs of prosecution.

SCHEDULE.

A.

Application for Incorporation.

We, the undersigned, hereby apply for incorporation as an association under the provisions of the *Act respecting the incorporation of Live Stock Record Associations.*

The name of the association is to be (*name of association*), and the object for which it is to be formed is to keep a record of the pedigrees of pure-bred (*name of breed*), and to collect, publish and preserve reliable and valuable data concerning that breed.

The names and addresses of the officers of the association are (*names and addresses in full*).

The constitution, by-laws and rules of the association are as follows: (*Insert constitution, &c., at length*).

Dated at _____, the _____ day of _____.

Signatures of Applicants.

I, the undersigned, solemnly swear that I know (*mentioning the names of the signers known to him*) and that they severally signed the foregoing application in my presence.

Sworn before me, at _____, }
 this _____ day of _____, } (Signature.)
 19 _____

A. B.

B.

The Minister's certificate.

I certify that the within application is approved this _____ day of _____, 19____, in pursuance of the *Act respecting the incorporation of Live Stock Record Associations.*

C. D.

Minister of Agriculture.