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An Act to confer on the Commissioner of  
Patents certain powers for the relief of  
George L. Williams.

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First reading, March 29th, 1899.

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(PRIVATE BILL.)

Mr. McCARTHY.

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An Act to confer on the Commissioner of Patents certain powers for the relief of George L. Williams.

**W**HEREAS George Leonard Williams, having his chief place of business at the town of Brampton, in the province of Ontario, has, by his petition, represented that on and prior to the fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, he was the holder of letters patent under the seal of the Patent Office dated the fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, for improvements in boots and shoes, being patent number forty thousand three hundred and forty-five; that on or before the expiration of the first six years of the said letters patent, which were granted for a term of eighteen years, only the partial fee for the first six years being paid upon the issue thereof, the said Williams was entitled, upon application therefor, to a certificate of payment of the additional fee provided by section 22 of *The Patent Act*, chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes as amended by section 5 of chapter 24 of the statutes of 1892, and section 3 of chapter 34 of the statutes of 1893; and whereas the said Williams and others had, prior to the said fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, invested a large sum in the equipment of a factory, the extension and advertising of the business dealing in the article covered by the said letters patent, and the establishment of an incorporated company, to wit, The Williams Shoe Company, Limited, for the manufacture of the said patented article known as Williams Patent Adjustable Boot; that the said Williams, an officer of the said company, carrying on business at the time at the town of Milton, inadvertently omitted to make such application before the fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, but, soon after the omission was observed, made application to pay the said fee, at which date such application could not be entertained, as the Commissioner of Patents could not then accept the additional fee and grant a certificate of payment thereof; and whereas the said Williams has, by his petition, prayed that it be enacted as hereinafter set forth, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

**40** **I.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in *The Patent Act*, or in the letters patent mentioned in the preamble, the Commissioner of Patents may receive from George Leonard Williams the application for a certificate of payment and the

Preamble.

R.S.C., c. 61,  
s. 22.

1892, c. 24, s. 5.

1893, c. 34, s. 3.

Commissioner  
of Patents  
may extend  
duration of  
letters patent.

usual fees upon the said letters patent for the remainder of the term of eighteen years from the date thereof, and may grant and issue to the said George Leonard Williams the certificate of payment of fees provided by *The Patent Act*, and an extension of the period of the duration of the said letters patent to the full term of eighteen years in as full and ample a manner as if application therefor had been duly made within six years from the date of the issue of the said letters patent. 5

Rights of  
third persons  
saved.

**2.** Any person who has, within the period between the fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and the extension hereunder of the said letters patent, acquired, by assignment, user, manufacture or otherwise, any interest or right in respect of such improvements or invention, shall continue to enjoy the same as if this Act had not been passed. 10 15