

CHAPTER 36.

An Act respecting the Department of Fisheries.

[Assented to 3rd April. 1947.]

II IS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:-

- 1. This Act may be cited as the 'Department of Fisheries short title. Act."
- 2. There shall be a Department of the Civil Service of British Department of Columbia, to be called the "Department of Fisheries," over which the Minister of Fisheries for the time being, appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor by Commission under the Great Seal, shall preside.

3. The Minister of Fisheries shall hold office during loasure, Minister to hold and shall have the management and direction of the Department. office dur

4. In addition to all powers vested in the Minister of Fisheries, Powers vested in he shall, in respect of his Department, have all the powers. duties, and authorities had and exercisable by the officer mentioned as the Commissioner of Fisheries in any Act, Ordinance, or Proclamation passed or made previous to the enactment of this Act.

5. The Department of Fisheries shall have charge of all Powers vested in Department matters relating to fisheries within the Province and shall be charged with the administration of the "Fisheries Act" and with such other duties as may be ass and to it by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

6. A Deputy Minister of Fisheries, a Supervisor of Fisheries, Deputy Minister and other employees. a Chief Inspector of Fisheries, and such fishery biologists, inspec-

tors, overseers, officers, clerks, and employees as are necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the Department may be appointed pursuant to the provisions of the "Civil Service Act, 1945," all of whom shall hold office during pleasure.

References to Commissioner, etc., in other Acts and documents. 7. Where in any Statute, contract, order, Order in Council, licence, or other document made before the coming into operation of this Act the Commissioner of Fisheries, Assistant Commissioner of Fisheries, or Fisheries Office is mentioned or referred to, such mention or reference shall be deemed to be a mention of or reference to the Minister of Fisheries, Deputy Minister of Fisheries, or Department of Fisheries respectively.

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