



CHAPTER 41.

An Act to amend the "Highway Act."

R.S.B.C. 1936, c. 116.
1939, c. 24; 1943,
c. 26; 1946, c. 36

[Assented to 3rd April, 1947.]

HIS 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 "Highway Act Amendment Act, 1947." Short title.

2. Section 34 of the "Highway Act," being chapter 116 of the "Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1936," is amended by inserting after "on," in the second line of subsection (1), the words "and in respect of pedestrians using." Amends s. 34.

3. Section 34 is further amended by adding to subsection (1) the following as clauses (o) to (s):— Further amends s. 34

"(o.) Establishing, in respect of any designated highway, pedestrian crossings for the use of pedestrians:

"(p.) Prescribing the manner in which a pedestrian crossing shall be marked on a highway, and in which signs or notices shall be erected on a highway to indicate to the drivers of motor-vehicles that they are approaching a pedestrian crossing:

"(q.) Prescribing the use of a pedestrian crossing that may be made by pedestrians, and regulating pedestrian traffic on a crossing:

"(r.) Prohibiting pedestrians from crossing designated portions of a highway except at a pedestrian crossing:

"(s.) Regulating motor-vehicle traffic when approaching a pedestrian crossing."

4. Section 34 is further amended by striking out clauses (c) and (d) of subsection (2), and substituting the following:— Further amends s. 34.

"(c.) Prohibiting or regulating the erection of signs and signboards and the pasting or painting of signs or notices, and the exposing of any advertising device upon or within a distance to be specified in the regulation from any highway or any specified portion of a highway:

"(d.) The tearing-down and removal of signs, advertisements, and guide-posts on any highway or specified portion of a highway, or at any specified distance from a highway."

Amends s. 38.

5. Section 38 is amended by inserting after "highways," in the second line, the words "and except the provisions of section 51A."

Enacts s. 51A.

6. Said chapter 116 is further amended by inserting therein the following as section 51A:—

"51A. (1.) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may fix the distance from any highway or portion of a highway at which fences, buildings, or other structures may be placed, and also the distance from any highway or portion of a highway at which trees, shrubs, or hedges may be planted.

"(2.) The Minister may direct the removal of any tree, shrub, bush, hedge, fence, signboard, gasoline-pump, building, or other object growing or standing on lands adjacent to any highway or portion of a highway where, in his opinion, the safety or convenience of the travelling public so requires, or when any such object might cause the drifting or accumulation of snow or is injurious to the road-bed, but subject to the payment of such compensation as may be agreed upon or as may be determined by arbitration in the manner provided in the 'Public Works Act.'"

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