

*Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada*, passed in the year 1857. Toronto: Stewart  
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**An Act further to amend and extend the Act to establish Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper  
Canada. Assented to 10th June, 1857.**

Whereas it is expedient to extend the provisions of the Act of the late Province of Upper Canada,  
passed in the sixth year of the reign of King William the Fourth, intituled, *An Act to authorize the  
establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies in the several Districts of this Province*, as also the Act  
passed in the eighteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act further to amend the Act to  
establish. Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada*, so as to allow the establishment of  
Municipal Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the  
advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. It shall be lawful at any time for ten freeholders in any Municipality in Upper Canada, to call a  
meeting of the inhabitants of such Municipality for the purpose of considering whether it be expedient  
to establish in such Municipality a Mutual Fire Insurance, Company; such meeting to be called in the  
manner provided in and by the several sections of the said last above named Act, and which therein  
apply to Towns and Villages; and so soon as such meeting is called, then all the provisions contained in  
the said Acts in the preamble to this Act mentioned, shall apply and extend to all such Companies so to  
be formed under the provisions of the said mentioned Acts, or either of them.