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Bill 63

An Act to amend the Charter of human rights and freedoms

Introduction

Introduced by Madam Christine St-Pierre Minister of Culture, Communications and the Status of Women

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bill amends the Charter of human rights and freedoms to expressly state that Charter rights and freedoms are guaranteed equally to women and men.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Charter of human rights and freedoms (R.S.Q., chapter C-12).

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The preamble of the Charter of human rights and freedoms (R.S.Q., chapter C-12) is amended by replacing the third paragraph by the following paragraph:

"Whereas respect for the dignity of human beings, equality of women and men, and recognition of their rights and freedoms constitute the foundation of justice, liberty and peace;".

- **2.** The Charter is amended by inserting the following section after section 49.1:
- "49.2. The rights and freedoms set forth in this Charter are guaranteed equally to women and men."
- **3.** This Act comes into force on (insert the date of assent to this Act).