

# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

Bill 793

An Act to amend the Education Act so that students under 18 years of age need not be Canadian citizens or permanent residents to be entitled to the free educational services it provides for

Introduction

Introduced by Mr. Amir Khadir Member for Mercier

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

This bill amends the Education Act so that all persons under 18 years of age will be entitled to the free educational services the latter provides for. Students under 18 years of age need no longer be Canadian citizens or permanent residents within the meaning of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act to be entitled to free preschool education services, elementary school instructional services, secondary school instructional services in general education or vocational training services.

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#### LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Education Act (chapter I-13.3).

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### THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- **1.** Section 3 of the Education Act (chapter I-13.3) is amended
- (1) by replacing "every resident of Québec" in the first paragraph by "every person";
- (2) by replacing "every resident of Québec" in the third paragraph by "every person";
  - (3) by replacing "s'il" in the third paragraph of the French text by "si elle".
- **2.** The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 3:
- **"3.1.** Any information gathered for the purposes of this Act that reveals details on the migrant journey of a student or a student's parents must remain confidential."
- **3.** Section 216 of the Act is replaced by the following section:
- **"216.** A school board shall, in accordance with the budgetary rules established by the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports, require a financial contribution in respect of a student enrolled in vocational training or adult education services that are not free under section 3."
- **4.** Section 473 of the Act is amended
- (1) by inserting "for adult education services" after "to be collected" in paragraph 1;
- (2) by replacing "resident of Québec enrolled in vocational training or" in paragraph 2 by "student enrolled in vocational training or a resident of Québec enrolled in".
- **5.** This Act comes into force on (*insert the date of assent to this Act*).