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# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

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Bill 195

**An Act to amend the Act respecting  
the National Assembly to extend the  
scope of the right to payment of  
expenses for counsel**

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**Introduction**

**Introduced by  
Mr. Guy Ouellette  
Member for Chomedey**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

*This bill amends the Act respecting the National Assembly to extend the scope of the right to payment of expenses for counsel where a Member's parliamentary privileges are at issue and the Member wishes to invoke them at an inquiry, a preliminary inquiry or judicial or quasi-judicial proceedings, including criminal or penal proceedings.*

## **LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:**

- Act respecting the National Assembly (chapter A-23.1).

## **Bill 195**

### **AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RESPECTING THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO EXTEND THE SCOPE OF THE RIGHT TO PAYMENT OF EXPENSES FOR COUNSEL**

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

**1.** Section 85.1 of the Act respecting the National Assembly (chapter A-23.1) is amended

(1) by inserting the following paragraph after the second paragraph:

“The Member or former Member is also entitled to the payment of expenses incurred for counsel where the Member’s or former Member’s parliamentary privileges are at issue and the Member or former Member wishes to invoke them at an inquiry, a preliminary inquiry or judicial or quasi-judicial proceedings, including criminal or penal proceedings.”;

(2) by replacing “first and second” in the third paragraph by “first, second and third”.

**2.** Section 85.2 of the Act is amended by inserting “other than those provided for in the third paragraph of section 85.1” after “judicial costs”.

**3.** Section 85.3 of the Act is amended by inserting “other than those provided for in the third paragraph of section 85.1” after “no costs or expenses”.

**4.** This Act comes into force on (*insert the date of assent to this Act*) but has effect from 1 October 2017.

