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Bill 238 (Private)

An Act respecting the immunities granted to the World Anti-Doping Agency

Introduction

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AN ACT RESPECTING THE IMMUNITIES GRANTED TO THE WORLD ANTI-DOPING AGENCY

AS the World Anti-Doping Agency is an international non-governmental organization responsible for promoting and coordinating the fight against doping in sport internationally;

AS the World Anti-Doping Agency was established by the Lausanne Declaration on Doping in Sport after the World Conference on Doping in Sport held in Lausanne on 2 to 4 February 1999;

AS, under article 2 of the Accord entre le gouvernement du Québec et l'Agence mondiale antidopage concernant les privilèges fiscaux et les prérogatives de courtoisie consentis à l'Agence et à ses employés non canadiens (French only), dated 3 June 2002, the Gouvernement du Québec recognizes the World Anti-Doping Agency as an international non-governmental organization;

AS the World Anti-Doping Agency is headquartered in Montréal;

AS, in pursuing its mission, the World Anti-Doping Agency investigates potential violations of anti-doping rules and conducts audits to ensure that anti-doping organizations' programs comply with the World Anti-Doping Program;

AS, within the scope of its mandate, in particular the investigations, audits and activities pertaining to its whistleblowing program, the World Anti-Doping Agency is called on to gather sensitive, confidential information related, in particular, to whistleblowers;

AS, to fulfil its mission, the World Anti-Doping Agency, its directors, officers and employees require the immunities provided for in this Act;

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The World Anti-Doping Agency, its directors, officers and employees enjoy immunity from civil jurisdiction with regard to any decision, and resulting activity, made in connection with its mission to fight doping in sport internationally.

- **2.** The property needed to achieve the World Anti-Doping Agency's mission is exempt from seizure and other similar measures provided for in the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25.01).
- **3.** This Act comes into force on (*insert the date of assent to this Act*).