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Bill 191

**An Act to amend the Act respecting
safety in sports to prohibit fighting in
sports activities in which persons
under 18 years of age participate**

Introduction

**Introduced by
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bill amends the Act respecting safety in sports to prohibit fighting in sports activities in which persons under 18 years of age participate.

The bill provides that participants who contravene this prohibition are expelled from the activity in which they are participating and that the safety regulations of a sports federation or an unaffiliated sports body must prescribe the sanctions applicable to subsequent offences.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Act respecting safety in sports (chapter S-3.1).

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RESPECTING SAFETY IN SPORTS TO PROHIBIT FIGHTING IN SPORTS ACTIVITIES IN WHICH PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE PARTICIPATE

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

ACT RESPECTING SAFETY IN SPORTS

1. Section 1 of the Act respecting safety in sports (chapter S-3.1) is amended by adding the following paragraph after paragraph 5:

“(6) “fighting” means the exchange, or attempted exchange, of blows between two or more participants, or when two or more participants are wrestling in such a manner that they cannot be separated.”

2. The Act is amended by inserting the following chapter after Chapter IV:

“CHAPTER IV.1

“PROHIBITION ON FIGHTING

“**39.1.** Fighting is prohibited in sports activities, other than combat sports, in which persons under 18 years of age participate.

“**39.2.** Participants who contravene section 39.1 are expelled from the activity in which they are participating when the fighting occurs.

The safety regulations of a sports federation or an unaffiliated sports body must prescribe the sanctions applicable to subsequent offences.”

3. This Act comes into force on (*insert the date of assent to this Act*).

