

# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

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Bill 490

An Act to reinforce the qualified majority required for the appointment and removal of persons appointed by the National Assembly

Introduction

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

This bill makes changes to the modes of appointment and removal of persons appointed by the National Assembly to require that the required approval of two-thirds of the Members comes from at least two authorized parties represented in the National Assembly.

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

- Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information (chapter A-2.1);

- Act respecting the Autorité des marchés publics (chapter A-33.2.1);
- Charter of the French language (chapter C-11);
- Charter of human rights and freedoms (chapter C-12);

- Code of ethics and conduct of the Members of the National Assembly (chapter C-23.1);

- Act respecting the Director of Criminal and Penal Prosecutions (chapter D-9.1.1);

- Election Act (chapter E-3.3);
- Public Service Act (chapter F-3.1.1);
- Anti-Corruption Act (chapter L-6.1);
- Police Act (chapter P-13.1);
- Public Protector Act (chapter P-32);
- Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act (chapter T-11.011);
- Auditor General Act (chapter V-5.01).

### **Bill 490**

### AN ACT TO REINFORCE THE QUALIFIED MAJORITY REQUIRED FOR THE APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF PERSONS APPOINTED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

### ACT RESPECTING ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS HELD BY PUBLIC BODIES AND THE PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

**1.** Section 104 of the Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information (chapter A-2.1) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its members" in the third paragraph.

**2.** Section 107 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its members" in the second paragraph.

### ACT RESPECTING THE AUTORITÉ DES MARCHÉS PUBLICS

**3.** Section 4 of the Act respecting the Autorité des marchés publics (chapter A-33.2.1) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

### CHARTER OF THE FRENCH LANGUAGE

**4.** Section 185 of the Charter of the French language (chapter C-11) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

**5.** Section 188 of the Charter is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members".

### CHARTER OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS

**6.** Section 58 of the Charter of human rights and freedoms (chapter C-12) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of the Members of the National Assembly" in the second paragraph.

## CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**7.** Section 62 of the Code of ethics and conduct of the Members of the National Assembly (chapter C-23.1) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two thirds of the Members".

**8.** Section 66 of the Code is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two thirds of the Members" in the second paragraph.

### ACT RESPECTING THE DIRECTOR OF CRIMINAL AND PENAL PROSECUTIONS

**9.** Section 2 of the Act respecting the Director of Criminal and Penal Prosecutions (chapter D-9.1.1) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

**10.** Section 6 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

### ELECTION ACT

**II.** Section 478 of the Election Act (chapter E-3.3) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members".

**12.** Section 480 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of the Members of the Assembly".

**13.** Section 526 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its members".

**14.** Section 530 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the second paragraph.

**15.** Section 531 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the second paragraph.

### PUBLIC SERVICE ACT

**16.** Section 106 of the Public Service Act (chapter F-3.1.1) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its members" in the second paragraph.

**17.** Section 108 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its members" in the second paragraph.

**18.** Section 122 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its members" in the first paragraph.

### ANTI-CORRUPTION ACT

**19.** Section 5 of the Anti-Corruption Act (chapter L-6.1) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

**20.** Section 5.2.1 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

**21.** Section 35.8 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members".

**22.** Section 35.11 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the third paragraph.

### POLICE ACT

**23.** Section 56 of the Police Act (chapter P-13.1) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

**24.** Section 56.5 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its Members" in the first paragraph.

### PUBLIC PROTECTOR ACT

**25.** Section 1 of the Public Protector Act (chapter P-32) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of the members of the National Assembly" in the second paragraph.

**26.** Section 3 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of its members" in the second paragraph.

### LOBBYING TRANSPARENCY AND ETHICS ACT

**27.** Section 33 of the Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act (chapter T-11.011) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "2/3 of its members" in the first paragraph.

**28.** Section 34 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "2/3 of its members" in the second paragraph.

### AUDITOR GENERAL ACT

**29.** Section 7 of the Auditor General Act (chapter V-5.01) is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of the Members of the National Assembly".

**30.** Section 13 of the Act is amended by inserting "from at least two authorized parties represented in it" after "two-thirds of the Members of the National Assembly".

#### FINAL PROVISION

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