



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

FIRST SESSION

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

Bill 28

**An Act to amend the Act respecting
the marketing of agricultural, food
and fish products and the Farm
Producers Act**

Introduction

**Introduced by
Mr. André Lamontagne
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food**

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bill amends the Act respecting the marketing of agricultural, food and fish products to specify that the amount of the contribution required to cover the costs relating to the duties and obligations deriving from an association's certification or its membership in a coordination and development chamber may be calculated according to certain criteria, including the volume of the product marketed and the area under cultivation or operation.

The bill also amends the Farm Producers Act to provide that the amount of the annual assessment exigible from a producer to cover the expenses of the association certified under that Act may be fixed or variable. The bill also grants the certified association the power to establish, by by-law, categories of producers for fixing the assessment.

Lastly, the bill makes a consequential amendment.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Act respecting the marketing of agricultural, food and fish products (chapter M-35.1);
- Farm Producers Act (chapter P-28).

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RESPECTING THE MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL, FOOD AND FISH PRODUCTS AND THE FARM PRODUCERS ACT

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

ACT RESPECTING THE MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL, FOOD
AND FISH PRODUCTS

1. Section 133 of the Act respecting the marketing of agricultural, food and fish products (chapter M-35.1) is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph: “The amount of the contribution may be calculated according to the volume of the product marketed, the area under cultivation or operation or other equivalent criteria accepted by the Régie.”

FARM PRODUCERS ACT

2. Section 31 of the Farm Producers Act (chapter P-28) is amended by replacing the second paragraph by the following paragraph:

“The by-law shall determine an annual assessment, in a fixed or variable amount, exigible from each producer by the certified association. It may also establish, for fixing the assessment, categories of producers.”

3. Section 35 of the Act is amended by striking out “assessments or”.

FINAL PROVISION

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

