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Bill 992

**An Act to create a committee
responsible for making
recommendations concerning the
criteria for the fixing or adjustment of
rent**

Introduction

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bill creates the obligation for the Minister Responsible for Housing to form, at least every five years, a parity committee whose function is to make recommendations concerning the criteria for the fixing or adjustment of rent.

The bill also provides that the members of the committee are to be appointed by the Minister Responsible for Housing based on lists of names provided by interested agencies and groups. The members are appointed in equal numbers of lessor and lessee representatives who have relevant experience.

It also provides that the committee's mandate ends not later than 1 September of the year the committee was created. The committee is dissolved following the end of its mandate.

Lastly, the bill contains transitional and final provisions.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

– Act respecting the Administrative Housing Tribunal (chapter T-15.01).

REGULATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

– Regulation respecting the criteria for the fixing of rent (chapter T-15.01, r. 2).

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AN ACT TO CREATE A COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE CRITERIA FOR THE FIXING OR ADJUSTMENT OF RENT

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

ACT RESPECTING THE ADMINISTRATIVE HOUSING TRIBUNAL

1. Section 108 of the Act respecting the Administrative Housing Tribunal (chapter T-15.01) is amended by inserting the following subparagraph after subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph:

“(3.1) forming a parity committee composed of the number of members it fixes whose function is to make recommendations concerning the criteria for the fixing or adjustment of rent;”.

REGULATION RESPECTING THE CRITERIA FOR THE FIXING OF
RENT

2. The Regulation respecting the criteria for the fixing of rent (chapter T-15.01, r. 2) is amended by inserting the following division after Division II:

“DIVISION II.1

“PARITY COMMITTEE

“**7.1.** Not later than five years after the last report, the Minister shall form a parity committee whose function is to make recommendations concerning the criteria and percentages for the fixing or adjustment of rent that are determined by the Administrative Housing Tribunal under sections 3 and 3.1 of this Regulation.

“**7.2.** The Minister shall invite the interested agencies and groups to provide the Minister with lists of names of persons with relevant experience to sit on the committee and shall appoint the members of that committee based on those lists.

The composition of the committee must provide for parity between representatives of lessors and those of lessees.

“7.3. The Minister shall designate a mediator or a conciliator to preside over the committee proceedings.

“7.4. The committee shall submit to the Minister a report on the criteria and percentages for the fixing or adjustment of rent.

The committee’s mandate shall end not later than 1 September of the same year.

At the end of its mandate, the committee shall be dissolved.

“7.5. The members are entitled to the reimbursement of expenses incurred in the exercise of their functions, on the conditions and to the extent determined by the Government.”

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

3. The Minister forms the first committee 30 days after the date of assent to this Act.

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