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Bill 28

**An Act to amend the Act respecting the
implementation of the Agreement on
Internal Trade**

Introduction

**Introduced by
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The purpose of this bill is to implement certain changes to the dispute settlement procedures set out in the Agreement on Internal Trade. The changes in question are those introduced by the Tenth Protocol of Amendment.

Under the bill, a decision by a Presiding Body to award costs to a government following a dispute governed by the Agreement on Internal Trade will be enforceable in the same manner as a final judgment of the Superior Court.

The same holds for a decision by a Compliance Panel to order the payment of a monetary penalty.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

– Act respecting the implementation of the Agreement on Internal Trade (R.S.Q., chapter M-35.1.1).

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RESPECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON INTERNAL TRADE

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1.** Section 3 of the Act respecting the implementation of the Agreement on Internal Trade (R.S.Q., chapter M-35.1.1) is amended by replacing “Article 1705” by “Article 1704(2)”.
- 2.** Section 4 of the Act is amended by replacing “1713” by “1712”.
- 3.** Section 6 of the Act is amended by replacing “1710” in the first paragraph by “1709”.
- 4.** Section 7 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

“7. A decision by a Presiding Body to award costs, whether to a government pursuant to Article 1706.1(4)(b) of the Agreement or to a person pursuant to Article 1716(3) of the Agreement, may be filed with the Superior Court.

The same holds for a decision by a Compliance Panel to order the payment of a monetary penalty pursuant to Article 1707(11)(b) of the Agreement.

On being thus filed, the decision has all the effects of a final judgment of the Superior Court and, despite article 568 of the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25), becomes enforceable 60 days after the date on which it is rendered.”

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

