AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTION ACT IN ORDER TO LIMIT ELECTOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO \$100 AND TO REVISE PUBLIC FINANCING OF POLITICAL PARTIES

Section

AMENDMENT:

Amendment 1 is withdrawn and renamed Am a.

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Section

AMENDMENT:

Amendment 2 is withdrawn and renamed Am g.

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Section 1

AMENDMENT:

In proposed section 81:

1. Add the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph:

The allowance is revised annually.

2. Replace the second paragraph by:

The allowance is paid on a monthly or quarterly basis after consultation with the authorized party concerned."

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Section 2

AMENDMENT:

Replace "\$1.67" by "\$1.50".

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Section 3

AMENDMENT:

- 1. Replace "following section" in the first line by "following sections";
- 2. Add after proposed section 82.1:
- "82.2. The Chief Electoral Officer shall pay, in the manner and at the frequency the Chief Electoral Officer determines,
- (1) \$2.50 for each dollar contributed to an authorized party up to an annual amount of \$20,000 paid in contributions to each party;
- (2) in addition to the contributions referred to in subparagraph 1 of this paragraph, \$1.00 for each dollar contributed to an authorized party up to an annual amount of \$200,000 paid in contributions to each party.

During a general election, in addition to the amounts provided for in the first paragraph, the Chief Electoral Officer shall pay, in the manner and at the frequency the Chief Electoral Officer determines,

- (1) \$2.50 for each additional dollar contributed to an authorized party for that election, up to \$20,000 paid in contributions to each party;
- (2) in addition to the contributions referred to in subparagraph 1 of this paragraph, \$1.00 for each additional dollar contributed to an authorized party for that election, up to \$200,000 paid in contributions to each party.

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- "82.3. To be entitled to receive the amounts provided for in section 82.2, a party that has been authorized since the last general election and that is not entitled to receive the allowance provided for in section 81 must submit to the Chief Electoral Officer, in the manner the Chief Electoral Officer determines,
- (1) a list of the name and address of at least 1,000 members who meet the conditions set out in section 51.1; or
- (2) a list of the name and address of at least 500 members who meet the conditions set out in section 51.1 and come from at least 10 administrative regions having at least 25 members each.

The Chief Electoral Officer may take any measures necessary to verify the information provided under the first paragraph.

"82.4. The Chief Electoral Officer shall pay, in the manner and at the frequency the Chief Electoral Officer determines, \$2.50 for each dollar contributed to an independent Member or independent candidate, up to an annual amount of \$800 paid in contributions, to each Member or candidate."

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Section 4

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

- 4. Section 83 of the Act is replaced by the following section:
- "83. The sums provided for in sections 82 to 82.2 and 82.4 are used to defray expenses related in particular to day-to-day operations, the propagation of a political program, the coordination of the political activities of the members or supporters of a party and election expenses. They are also used to reimburse the principal of loans."

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Section 5

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

- 5. Section 84 of the Act is replaced by the following section:
- "84. The sums provided for in sections 82 to 82.2 and 82.4 are paid by cheque made to the order of the official representative of the party, the independent Member or the independent candidate. These sums may also be paid by means of a transfer of funds to an account held by the official representative."



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Section 6

AMENDMENT:

Replace paragraph 2 by:

(2) by replacing "of every party contemplated in" in the second paragraph by "of a political party, an independent Member or an independent candidate under".

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Section 7

AMENDMENT:

- 1. Replace paragraph 2 by:
 - (2) by replacing subparagraph 6 of the second paragraph by the following subparagraph:
 - "(6) an entrance fee to a political activity, where the fee does not exceed the real cost of this activity by more than 5%, up to one admission per person. The sums that exceed the real cost of the activity by more than 5% must be remitted to the Chief Electoral Officer, within 30 days of the Chief Electoral Officer's request, who then remits the sums to the Minister of Finance;";
- 2. Replace paragraph 4 by:
 - (4) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"A political activity is an activity held by an authorized entity that is not aimed at raising funds for the entity."



AMENDEMENT

PROJET DE LOI NO 2

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Le sous-amendement coté Sam 1 a été retiré et renommé Sam a.

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Section 7

AMENDMENT:

Insert the following paragraph before paragraph 1:

- (0.1) by replacing subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph by the following subparagraph:
- "(3) amounts paid to an authorized entity under any legislative provision;";

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Section 8

AMENDMENT:

Replace paragraph 2 by:

(2) by inserting the following paragraphs after the first paragraph:

"In addition to the contributions referred to in the first paragraph, an elector from an electoral division for which an order was issued under section 128 may make contributions for a total amount not exceeding \$100 for the benefit of each of the parties, independent Members and independent candidates.

During a general election, the contributions referred to in the second paragraph may be made as of the day following the issue of the order instituting the election up to the 90th day after polling day. During a by-election, these contributions may be made as of the vacancy of the seat up to the 30th day after polling day."

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Section 9

AMENDMENT:

Replace paragraph 1 by:

(1) by replacing "less than \$100" in the second paragraph by "\$50 or less";

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Section 10

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

10. Section 95 of the Act is amended by replacing "\$100 or more shall be" by "more than \$50 is".

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Section 12

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

12. Section 100.1 of the Act is repealed.

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Section 14

AMENDMENT:

Strike out.

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Section 16

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

- 16. Section 127.7 of the Act is amended
- (1) by inserting the following sentence at the end of the second paragraph: "However, an elector may make a contribution to the Chief Electoral Officer by means of a credit card.";
 - (2) by replacing "\$1,000" in the third paragraph by "\$500".

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Section 17

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

- 17. Section 127.8 of the Act is amended
- (1) by replacing "second and third" in the first paragraph by "fourth and fifth";
 - (2) by striking out the second paragraph.

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Section 17.1

AMENDMENT:

Insert after section 17:

17.1. Section 127.18 of the Act is amended

- (1) by replacing "official representative of the party" in the first paragraph by "Chief Electoral Officer";
 - (2) by replacing the second paragraph by the following paragraph:

"The Chief Electoral Officer must remit that sum to the Minister of Finance."

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Section 18

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

18. Section 404 of the Act is amended by replacing "à caractère politique" in the French text of paragraph 8.1 by "politique".

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Section 18.1

AMENDMENT:

Insert after section 18:

- 18.1. Section 426 of the Act is amended
 - (1) by replacing "\$0.71" in the first paragraph by "\$0.65";
 - (2) by replacing "\$1.23" in the second paragraph by "\$0.70";
 - (3) by replacing "\$0.30" in the second paragraph by "\$0.20";
 - (4) by replacing "\$0.71" in the third paragraph by "\$0.65".



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Section 10.1

AMENDMENT:

Insert after section 10:

- 10.1. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 98:
- "98.1. Despite section 98, a contribution made to the Chief Electoral Officer within 20 days following 31 December is deemed to have been made by the elector and received by the authorized entity for which it is intended before 1 January, if it is accompanied by a contribution slip and a cheque dated before 1 January."

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Section 18.2

AMENDMENT:

Insert after section 18.1:

18.2. Section 441 of the Act is amended by replacing the second paragraph by the following paragraph:

"The official agent of an independent candidate who was not elected shall remit the sums to the Chief Electoral Officer who must then remit them to the Minister of Finance."



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Section 20

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

20. Except for paragraph 1 of section 16 and section 17.1, the amendments to the Election Act (chapter E-3.3) and to the Taxation Act (chapter I-3) enacted by this Act do not apply to a political party leadership campaign taking place on 1 January 2013. The provisions applicable to such a campaign are the provisions in those Acts as they read prior to that date.

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Section 21

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

21. The provisions of this Act come into force on 1 January 2013, except for paragraph 1 of section 16, which comes into force on 7 January 2013, and paragraph 2 of section 8, which comes into force on 1 May 2013.

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Title

AMENDMENT:

Replace the title by:

An Act to amend the Election Act in order to reduce the elector contribution limit, lower the ceiling on election expenses and increase public financing of Québec political parties.