



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION

FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

Bill 495

**An Act to determine conditions for
dissolving the National Assembly before the
expiry of a Legislature**

Introduction

**Introduced by
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The purpose of this bill is to prevent the Government from making an order to dissolve the National Assembly before the expiry of a Legislature, and to consolidate the holding of fixed-date elections.

Two exceptional cases are provided for in which the National Assembly may be dissolved before the expiry of a Legislature, that is, where a motion to dissolve the Assembly is passed by at least two thirds of the Members of the National Assembly and where a motion calling into question the Assembly's confidence in the Government is passed in accordance with the Standing Orders of the National Assembly.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Act respecting the National Assembly (chapter A-23.1).

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Act respecting the National Assembly (chapter A-23.1) is amended by inserting the following section after section 6:

“6.1. The Government may not make an order to dissolve the National Assembly of Québec before the expiry of a Legislature unless

(1) a motion to that end is passed by at least two thirds of the Members of the National Assembly; or

(2) a motion calling into question the Assembly’s confidence in the Government is passed, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the National Assembly.”

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

