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Bill 392 (2000, chapter 66)

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Fondation Jean-Charles-Bonenfant

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bill amends the Act respecting the Fondation Jean-Charles-Bonenfant to specify the objects of the foundation. The foundation may provide support and financial assistance to any person or nonprofit organization that participates in educational internship programs established or sponsored by the National Assembly.

The bill provides that the foundation may solicit, receive or accept gifts of various kinds, as well as subsidies and contributions.

The bill also provides that, in addition to the President of the National Assembly, the board of directors of the foundation will consist of eleven other members, including two former Members of the National Assembly and a person who participated in an educational internship program, and lastly, the bill specifies that the foundation's financial year ends on 31 March.

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Sections 4, 5 and 6 of the Act respecting the Fondation Jean-Charles-Bonenfant (R.S.Q., chapter F-3.2) are replaced by the following sections:

"4. The object of the foundation is to provide support and financial assistance to any person or non-profit organization that participates in educational internship programs established or sponsored by the National Assembly with a view to

(1) broadening, improving and propagating knowledge of Québec's political and parliamentary institutions;

(2) promoting study and research concerning political and parliamentary institutions.

"5. In the pursuit of its objects, the foundation may solicit, receive or accept gifts of various kinds, in particular sums of money, legacies, pledges, memorial funds, life insurance benefits as well as subsidies or contributions; the foundation may organize any other form of fund-raising activities and manages the funds thus collected in the manner it deems advisable. It may associate or enter into agreements with any person, partnership or private, public or parapublic body.

"6. The board of directors consists, in addition to the President of the National Assembly, of 11 other members chosen as follows:

(1) a Vice-President of the National Assembly designated by the President;

(2) two Members of the National Assembly, one designated by the parliamentary group of the Government party and the other by the parliamentary group of the Official Opposition party;

(3) two former Members of the National Assembly designated by the Amicale des anciens parlementaires du Québec;

(4) four persons from the milieus most representative of Québec society, designated by the President;

(5) a member of the personnel of the National Assembly assigned to educational activities, designated by the President; and

(6) a person who participated in an educational internship program established or sponsored by the National Assembly, designated by the President.

The Vice-President of the National Assembly and the member of the personnel of the National Assembly designated by the President are not entitled to vote.

When the President of the National Assembly is absent or unable to exercise the functions of the President, the Vice-President of the National Assembly who is a member of the board of directors replaces the President.

The term of office of the directors, except the President, the Vice-President and the member of the personnel of the National Assembly assigned to educational activities, is two years and may be renewed."

2. Section 18 of the said Act is amended by inserting, in the second line, after the word "President", the words "or Vice-President".

3. Section 20 of the said Act is amended by replacing "30 June" by "31 March".

4. This Act comes into force on 20 December 2000.