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(Private)

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### **AN ACT RESPECTING VILLE DE LAC-MÉGANTIC**

WHEREAS it is in the interest of Ville de Lac-Mégantic and necessary for its proper administration that the city be granted powers relating to its industrial development;

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS :

- 1.** Ville de Lac-Mégantic may, by by-law, order the construction and acquisition of a railway siding in its territory with a view to furthering its industrial development.
- 2.** The council may, for the purposes set out in section 1, acquire by agreement or by expropriation such immovables, servitudes and other rights as are necessary.
- 3.** Sections 573 and 573.1 of the Cities and Towns Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-19) do not apply to any contract awarded by the city as regards a railway siding referred to in section 1.
- 4.** The unsubsidized cost of the construction and acquisition of the private railway siding referred to in section 1 shall be charged upon all taxable immovables in the territory of the city.  
  
Any special tax ordered in a loan by-law passed for that purpose shall be levied on those immovables on the basis of their value as entered on the assessment roll in force each year.
- 5.** In addition to its tariffing powers under the Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., chapter F-2.1), the city may, by by-law, require a compensation for the use of the railway siding to cover maintenance, repair and insurance costs and other current expenditure. The compensation may be based on the annual tonnage of merchandise transported or on other criteria determined by the council.
- 6.** This Act comes into force on 19 June 1997.