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Bill 19

(1999, chapter 60)

An Act to amend the Act respecting the determination of the causes and circumstances of death

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill amends the Act respecting the determination of the causes and circumstances of death to enable the Minister of Public Security to enter into agreements with the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec and the Commission de la santé et de la sécurité du travail for the purpose of determining their contribution to the financing of coroners' investigations related to automobile accidents or industrial accidents.

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RESPECTING THE DETERMINATION OF THE CAUSES AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 146 of the Act respecting the determination of the causes and circumstances of death (R.S.Q., chapter R-0.2) is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The order banning the publication or release of information is valid for the period fixed by the coroner or for the duration of the inquest, unless the coroner lifts the ban before the end of the inquest."

- **2.** Section 154 of the said Act is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph: "The coroner shall ensure that the inquest is conducted in an equitable manner."
- **3.** The said Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 180:
- "**180.1.** The Minister may enter into agreements with the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec and the Commission de la santé et de la sécurité du travail for the purpose of determining, where applicable, their contribution to the financing of coroners' investigations related to automobile accidents or industrial accidents, as the case may be."
- **4.** Section 181 of the said Act is amended
 - (1) by replacing "and" in the first line by a comma;
- (2) by inserting "and sums collected under the agreements entered into pursuant to section 180.1" after "VII" in the second line.
- **5.** This Act comes into force on 26 November 1999.