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Bill 46

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An Act respecting the election for the office of warden of Municipalité régionale de comté du Granit

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Act postpones until 5 November 2017 the election for the office of warden of Municipalité régionale de comté du Granit that was to be held in 2015.

It also sets out the special rules that would apply in the event of a vacancy in the office of warden before the 2017 election.

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AN ACT RESPECTING THE ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF WARDEN OF MUNICIPALITÉ RÉGIONALE DE COMTÉ DU GRANIT

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The election for the office of warden of Municipalité régionale de comté du Granit that was to be held in 2015 under section 17 of the Act in response to the 6 July 2013 railway disaster in Ville de Lac-Mégantic (2013, chapter 21) is cancelled.

The election to fill that office will be held on 5 November 2017.

2. Any vacancy in the office of warden that occurs more than 12 months before the day set for the 2017 general election need not be filled by a by-election unless the council decides otherwise within 15 days of the notice of vacancy.

In the case of such a vacancy for which the council has not ordered a by-election, the office must be filled by co-optation, in accordance with section 336 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities (chapter E-2.2), with the necessary modifications.

3. If the vacancy in the office of warden is filled by co-optation, the resulting vacancy in the office of mayor of the local municipality is also filled by co-optation in accordance with section 336 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, unless the council decides within 15 days of the notice of vacancy to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy.

The vacancy in the office of counsellor resulting from the vacancy in the office of mayor being filled by co-optation under the first paragraph is subject to the rules prescribed in section 337 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, even if it occurs more than 12 months before the day set for the 2017 election.

4. This Act comes into force on 3 June 2015.