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# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

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Bill 390  
(2019, chapter 26)

**An Act to replace the Act respecting  
the Amicale des anciens  
parlementaires du Québec**

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

*This Act replaces the Act respecting the Amicale des anciens parlementaires du Québec, establishing the Cercle des ex-parlementaires de l'Assemblée nationale du Québec (Circle) and providing that the Circle be composed of regular and honorary members.*

*The Act provides that the Circle's purposes include using former National Assembly of Québec parliamentarians' knowledge and experience to further parliamentary democracy, fostering relations between former National Assembly of Québec parliamentarians and the Members of the National Assembly of Québec, serving the public interest and promoting democratic institutions' visibility.*

*Finally, the Act allows the Circle to participate in projects whose purpose includes enhancing parliamentary democracy, establish advisory committees and produce any publication relating to the purposes of the Circle or its members.*

## LEGISLATION REPLACED BY THIS ACT:

- Act respecting the Amicale des anciens parlementaires du Québec (chapter A-19.2).

## **Bill 390**

### **AN ACT TO REPLACE THE ACT RESPECTING THE AMICALE DES ANCIENS PARLEMENTAIRES DU QUÉBEC**

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

**1.** The Cercle des ex-parlementaires de l'Assemblée nationale du Québec (Circle) is established.

**2.** The Circle is a non-profit body.

It has its head office in the territory of Ville de Québec.

**3.** The Circle is composed of regular members and honorary members.

Regular members are former National Assembly of Québec parliamentarians who embrace the Circle's objectives and meet the conditions of membership set out by the board of directors.

Honorary members are former premiers of Québec or any other person appointed by the board of directors, which determines the conditions of membership as well as members' privileges and obligations.

**4.** The President of the National Assembly is the honorary Chair of the Circle.

**5.** A member's Circle membership ceases if he or she becomes a Member of the National Assembly of Québec.

**6.** The Circle's affairs are administered by a board of directors composed of seven persons, that is, six regular members and the outgoing Circle Chair.

**7.** The Circle's purposes, in and outside Québec, are

(1) to use former National Assembly of Québec parliamentarians' knowledge and experience to further parliamentary democracy;

(2) to defend and represent former National Assembly of Québec parliamentarians' interests and promote a sense of solidarity among them;

(3) to foster relations between former National Assembly of Québec parliamentarians and the Members of the National Assembly of Québec;

- (4) to serve the public interest; and
- (5) to promote democratic institutions' visibility.

**8.** In carrying out its purposes, the Circle may, in particular, in and outside Québec,

(1) form study groups and organize meetings, visits, seminars and conferences to give former National Assembly of Québec parliamentarians an opportunity to discuss their viewpoints and ideas with participants and to get information on matters of common interest;

(2) participate in projects with any person, institution or body whose purpose includes enhancing parliamentary democracy and enter into any agreement it considers necessary;

(3) establish any advisory committee composed of its members or other committee it considers necessary; and

(4) produce any publication relating to the purposes of the Circle or its members.

**9.** The Circle may solicit and receive gifts, legacies, subsidies and other contributions, provided that the conditions attached thereto are compatible with carrying out the Circle's purposes.

**10.** In the event of the Circle's dissolution, any residual amount is remitted to the National Assembly of Québec.

**11.** This Act may be cited as the Act respecting the Cercle des ex-parlementaires de l'Assemblée nationale du Québec.

**12.** This Act replaces the Act respecting the Amicale des anciens parlementaires du Québec (chapter A-19.2).

**13.** This Act comes into force on 5 December 2019.