



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

SECOND SESSION

FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

Bill 998
(2022, chapter 27)

**An Act to amend the Act respecting
the National Assembly to establish
the office of Commissioner for
Respect**

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Act amends the Act respecting the National Assembly to establish the office of Commissioner for Respect, who is to be responsible for dealing with situations of incivility, conflict and harassment involving a Member or a member of his staff, a staff member of a National Assembly office or any other person prescribed by regulation of the Office of the National Assembly.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

- Act respecting the National Assembly (chapter A-23.1).

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RESPECTING THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER FOR RESPECT

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

ACT RESPECTING THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

1. The Act respecting the National Assembly (chapter A-23.1) is amended by inserting the following division after section 124.3:

“DIVISION III.2

“COMMISSIONER FOR RESPECT

“**124.4.** The Office of the National Assembly shall, by a unanimous decision of its members and for a fixed period not exceeding five years, appoint the Commissioner for Respect to be responsible for dealing with situations of incivility, conflict and harassment involving a Member or a member of his staff, a staff member of a National Assembly office or any other person prescribed by regulation of the Office. At the expiry of the term, the Commissioner remains in office until replaced or reappointed.

The Office may, by a unanimous decision of its members, appoint a substitute to replace the Commissioner when the latter is unable to act.

In addition, the Office shall, by regulation, determine the situations where a person is ineligible for the office of Commissioner, as well as the Commissioner’s remuneration and reimbursable expenses, the rules applicable to the Commissioner concerning conflicts of interest and the conditions applicable to the contracts of the Commissioner.”

FINAL PROVISION

2. This Act comes into force on the first day of the 43rd Legislature.