



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

FIRST SESSION

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

Bill 26
(2023, chapter 18)

**An Act to amend the Courts of Justice
Act to, in particular, give effect to the
agreement between the chief judge of
the Court of Québec and the Minister
of Justice**

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Act amends the Courts of Justice Act by increasing the number of judges who compose the Court of Québec to 333 in fulfillment of an undertaking made in the agreement entered into on 21 April 2023 between the chief judge of the Court of Québec and the Minister of Justice.

The Act also amends that Act to review the manner of financing the Conseil de la magistrature and the framework governing its budget estimates.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

- Courts of Justice Act (chapter T-16).

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

COURTS OF JUSTICE ACT

- 1.** Section 85 of the Courts of Justice Act (chapter T-16) is amended by replacing “319” by “333”.
- 2.** Section 281.2 of the Act is amended by striking out the second paragraph.
- 3.** Section 282 of the Act is amended by replacing “part are taken out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund” by “Part are taken out of the appropriations voted annually for that purpose by the National Assembly, except those required for the application of Divisions III and IV of Chapter III on judicial ethics, which are taken out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund”.

FINAL PROVISION

- 4.** This Act comes into force on 1 April 2024, except section 1, which comes into force on the date set by the Government.