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**AN ACT TO AMEND THE
WATERCOURSES ACT**

Bill 71

Introduced by Mr John Ciaccia, Minister of Energy and Resources

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Acts amended:

Watercourses Act (R.S.Q., chapter R-13)

Mining Act (1987, chapter 64)



CHAPTER 53

An Act to amend the Watercourses Act

[Assented to 22 December 1988]

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

c. R-13, s. 3,
replaced

1. Section 3 of the Watercourses Act (R.S.Q., chapter R-13) is replaced by the following section:

Transfer of
hydraulic
power

“3. The transfer of hydraulic power vested in the public domain is prohibited subject to section 32 of the Hydro-Québec Act (R.S.Q., chapter H-5).

Lease of
hydraulic
power

The lease of hydraulic power vested in the public domain is permitted only

(1) where the hydraulic power is necessary for the operation, at a specific place along a watercourse, of a hydro-electric power plant generating more than 25 megawatts, such lease being, in every case, authorized by law;

(2) where hydraulic power is necessary for the operation, at a specific place along a watercourse, of a hydro-electric power plant generating 25 megawatts or less or where the lessee is a municipality, such lease being authorized by the Government and made subject to the conditions it determines.”

1987, c. 64,
s. 67, am.

2. Section 67 of the Mining Act (1987, chapter 64) is amended by replacing the words “the natural force referred to in section 3 of the Watercourses Act (R.S.Q., chapter R-13)” in the second and third lines of the first paragraph by the words “225 kilowatts at its ordinary flow during six months”.

1987, c. 64,
s. 106, am.

3. Section 106 of the said Act is amended by replacing the words “the natural force referred to in section 3 of the Watercourses Act” by the words “225 kilowatts at its ordinary flow during six months”.

1987, c. 64,
s. 150, am.

4. Section 150 of the said Act is amended by replacing the words “the natural force referred to in section 3 of the Watercourses Act” by the words “225 kilowatts at its ordinary flow during six months”.

Coming into
force

5. This Act comes into force on 22 December 1988.