



CHAPTER 19

An Act to amend various provisions respecting elections

[Assented to 18 June 1980]

HER MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the National Assembly of Québec, enacts as follows:

1979, c. 56,
s. 7, am. **1.** Section 7 of the Election Act (1979, c. 56) is amended by replacing, in the second and third lines of the second paragraph, the words “at the end of the period for revision of the electoral list” by the words “on the day the writ of election is issued”.

1979, c. 56,
s. 46, am. **2.** Section 46 of the said act is amended

(1) by inserting in the fourth line of the second paragraph, after the words “seal the envelopes”, the words “with lead seals”;

(2) by inserting, at the end of the third paragraph, the following sentence: “He shall then remit the ballot box to the returning officer or to the person designated by the returning officer.”

1979, c. 56,
s. 101, am. **3.** Section 101 of the said act is amended by replacing the words “a black lead pencil” by the words “a fountain pen or a ball-point pen or, where such is the case, a pencil”.

1979, c. 56,
s. 120, am. **4.** Section 120 of the said act is amended by adding, at the end, the following paragraph:

Rejection. “Neither may any ballot paper be rejected for the sole reason that the mark made in one of the circles by the elector extends outside the circumference of that circle.”

1979, c. 56,
s. 192, am. **5.** Section 192 of the said act is amended by striking out the second paragraph.

1979, c. 56,
s. 256, am. **6.** Section 256 of the said act is amended by replacing subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph by the following subparagraph:

“(4) sections 443 and 453, the first paragraph of section 454 and section 455;”.

R.S.Q.,
c. E-3,
s. 455,
added.

7. The Election Act (R.S.Q., c. E-3) is amended by inserting, after section 454, the following section:

No enu-
meration.

“**455.** Where, in an electoral division, the enumeration of the electors has been cancelled under the Act respecting electoral representation (1979, c. 57), or is not made under a provision of this act, the director general of elections may carry it out as soon as circumstances permit.”

Electoral
lists.

8. The electoral lists to be used at any by-election held before the dissolution of the Thirty-first Legislature are those used for the poll held on 20 May 1980, except the lists of inmates in houses of detention.

Revision.

The lists must be revised during the election period, and this revision is deemed to be a second revision, for the purposes of the holding of the election.

Coming
into force.

9. This act comes into force on the day of its sanction, except sections 1 to 6, which will come into force on the date to be fixed by proclamation.(*)

(*) Section 5 of this act came into force on 16 July 1980 and sections 1 to 4 and 6 came into force on 15 August 1980 (Gazette officielle du Québec, 1980, Part II, page 3537).