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Bill 86

## **An Act to amend the Animal Health Protection Act**

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**Introduction**

**Introduced by  
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Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food**



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EXPLANATORY NOTES

*This bill amends the Animal Health Protection Act to introduce a provision requiring the owners or custodians of animals of a category determined by regulation to submit those animals to screening tests for contagious or parasitic diseases.*

*The bill also repeals the provisions relating to the inspection of stallions, and amends the provisions relating to the artificial insemination of animals in order, more specifically, to remove controls on the trading of animal semen.*

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## **An Act to amend the Animal Health Protection Act**

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

**1.** The Animal Health Protection Act (R.S.Q., chapter P-42) is amended by inserting, after section 2, the following section:

**“2.1** The owner or custodian of an animal of a category determined by regulation must, at the frequency prescribed by the regulation, submit the animal to a screening test for a contagious or parasitic disease.”

**2.** Section 3 of the said Act is amended by adding the following paragraph:

“(3.1) determine, for the purposes of section 2.1, the animals that must be submitted to a screening test for a contagious or parasitic disease and prescribe the frequency of and the standards applicable to such a test;”

**3.** Division II of the said Act, entitled “INSPECTION OF STALLIONS” and comprising sections 12 to 21, is repealed.

**4.** Section 24 of the said Act is amended by striking out the words “or trade in it,” in the second line.

**5.** Section 28 of the said Act is amended

(1) by replacing subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph by the following subparagraph:

“(1) determine the conditions under which a person may exercise some or all of the activities listed in section 24, and restrict such activities to the classes of persons it determines;”;

(2) by replacing subparagraph 10 of the first paragraph by the following subparagraph:

“(10) exempt such activities listed in section 24 or such classes of persons or categories of animals as it determines from some or all of the provisions of this division, or the regulations under it;”;

(3) by replacing the words “breeder must” in subparagraph 14 of the first paragraph by the words “person may”;

(4) by striking out the second paragraph.

**6.** Section 55.43 of the said Act is amended

(1) by inserting the figure “2.1,” after the word “section” in the first line of the first paragraph;

(2) by striking out the words “paragraph 3” in the third line of the first paragraph.

**7.** Section 55.44 of the said Act is amended

(1) by striking out the figures “12, 20,” in the first line of the first paragraph;

(2) by striking out the figure “21,” in the third line of the first paragraph.

**8.** This Act comes into force on (*insert here the date of assent to this Act*).