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Bill 21

An Act to amend the Act to preserve agricultural land

Introduction

**Introduced by
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The object of this bill is to amend the Act to preserve agricultural land in order to enable the Commission de protection du territoire agricole, in cases where an application may affect the agricultural zone review process, to defer its decision regarding such application until the review of the agricultural zone concerned is completed.

The bill provides, further, that no appeal lies from the decision of the commission.

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 21.04 of the Act to preserve agricultural land (R.S.Q., chapter P-41.1), enacted by section 7 of chapter 7 of the statutes of 1989, is amended by adding the following paragraph:

“Notwithstanding the foregoing, no appeal lies from a decision made pursuant to section 62.3.”

2. The said Act is amended by inserting, after section 62.2, enacted by section 21 of chapter 7 of the statutes of 1989, the following section:

“62.3 Where, in the opinion of the commission, the project concerned in an application may affect the agricultural zone review process, the commission may, for that sole reason, decide to defer its decision until the agricultural zone is reviewed.”

3. The provisions of this Act apply to any application filed in the record office of the Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec before (*insert here the date of coming into force of this Act*) that has not yet been heard at that date.

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