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Bill 50

An Act to amend the Veterinary Surgeons Act

Introduction

**Introduced by
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professions**

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The main object of this bill is to provide for the establishment of norms applicable to the labelling and packaging of veterinary medications sold by veterinary surgeons, the determination of conditions under which certain classes of persons other than veterinary surgeons are authorized to perform acts that are of the exclusive competence of veterinary surgeons, and the definition of such acts.

A further object of the bill is to bring the Veterinary Surgeons Act into harmony with the provisions of the Regulations Act and of the Professional Code with respect to the approval and coming into force of regulations.

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 6.1 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act (R.S.Q., chapter M-8) is replaced by the following section:

“6.1 In addition to the duties imposed under sections 87 to 93 of the Professional Code, the Bureau shall, by regulation,

(1) establish norms applicable to the form and content of verbal and written prescriptions made by veterinary surgeons;

(2) establish norms applicable to the labelling and packaging of veterinary medications sold by veterinary surgeons;

(3) determine among the acts listed in section 7 those which may be performed, under certain prescribed conditions, by classes of persons other than veterinary surgeons.

If the Bureau fails to adopt a regulation in accordance with the first paragraph within the time fixed by the Office des professions du Québec, the latter may adopt the regulation.”

2. Section 9 of the said Act is amended by striking out the third paragraph.

3. Section 11 of the said Act is amended by replacing the word “regulation” in the first line by the word “resolution”.

4. Section 21 of the said Act is amended by adding, at the end, the following paragraph:

“The first paragraph does not apply to acts performed by persons acting pursuant to a regulation adopted under subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 6.1.”

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