

SIXTH SESSION

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

Bill 24

**An Act to amend the Charter of human
rights and freedoms**

First reading
Second reading
Third reading



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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The object of this bill is to amend the Charter of human rights and freedoms to authorize the adoption of programs intended to improve the situation of persons who are at a disadvantage as a group.

It provides that any distinction, exclusion or preference established by such a program is deemed non-discriminatory unless it is made for an undue object.

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

1. The Charter of human rights and freedoms (R.S.Q., c.
C-12) is amended by adding, after section 20, the following section:

“20.1 Notwithstanding this chapter, it is lawful to adopt a
program intended to improve the situation of persons who are at a
disadvantage as a group.

A distinction, exclusion or preference established by such a
program is deemed non-discriminatory unless it is made for an
undue object.”

2. This act comes into force on the day of its sanction.