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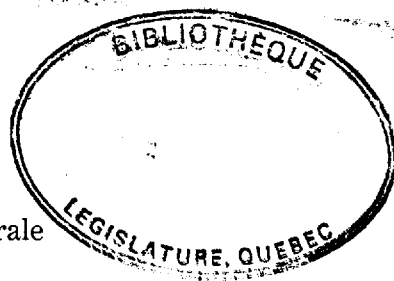
EXPLANATORY NOTES

Section 1 of this bill is intended to amend the Election Act to allow an elector to be entered on the electoral list the day the writ is issued.

Section 2 enables the director general of elections to hold an enumeration at the time he determines.

Section 3 will allow the use, for by-elections, of the electoral lists prepared for the poll on 20 May last.

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

1. Section 7 of the Election Act (1979, c. 56) is replaced by the following section:

"**7.** To exercise his right to vote, a person must be qualified as an elector on polling day and be entered on the electoral list of the polling subdivision in which he is domiciled on the day of the issue of the writ.

He shall exercise his right to vote in the polling station for the polling subdivision."

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

"**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."

3. 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.

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.

4. This act comes into force on the day of its sanction, except section 1, which will come into force on the date to be fixed by proclamation.