



## CHAPTER 144

An Act to amend the act respecting the church of the parish  
of *Ste. Catherine de Montréal*

[Assented to, the 19th of February, 1932]

**W**HEREAS the trustees of the parish of *Ste. Catherine de Montréal* have, by their petition, represented:

That they were authorized by the act 13 George V, chapter 118, as amended by the act 15 George V, chapter 137, to build a parish church the cost whereof was not to exceed the sum of three hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars and, for the payment of the work of construction, to effect a loan or loans the total amount of which was not to exceed the sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, repayable in a period not to exceed twenty-five years;

That the said act permitted the trustees to impose and levy by means of an act of apportionment made yearly an apportionment sufficient to provide for the repayment of the loans and certain other expenses, and for such object it was stipulated that for the first seven years the rate of the apportionment should be thirty cents per hundred dollars of the value indicated in the municipal valuation roll, and for the following years the rate was not to exceed twenty-five cents per hundred dollars of the value indicated in the said roll;

That, through unavoidable and unforeseen circumstances, the cost of erecting the church amounted to three hundred and thirty-nine thousand and five hundred dollars, thus exceeding by fourteen thousand five hundred dollars the sum authorized by the aforesaid act, and that the trustees have had to pay the excess out of the sums they received from the apportionment and it has been impossible for them hitherto to repay anything on the principal of the loan effected by them;

That there only remains a period of sixteen years to run on the period of twenty-five years during which the trustees were granted the right to impose an apportionment, and it is impossible to make complete repayment of the loan contracted by the trustees in that space of time, at least with an apportionment at the rate of twenty-five cents per hundred dollars of the municipal valuation of the taxable immoveables of the parish;

That, further, the trustees have found, in the two years in which they have had to levy the apportionment at the above rate of twenty-five cents, that it is impossible for them to provide for payment of interest and the repayment of the stipulated annuities of their debt;

That in these circumstances the trustees are obliged to again apply to the Legislature of this Province, to obtain an amendment to the special act 13 George V, chapter 118, already amended by the act 15 George V, chapter 137, to confirm and ratify the additional expense incurred by them for the erection of the church of St. Catherine, as stated above, and to extend the period of the loans effected by them as well as the period of apportionment to a period of thirty-five years;

That, by a resolution adopted by a regular meeting of the freeholders of the parish of St. Catherine held on the twenty-seventh of April, 1931, the trustees were authorized accordingly to apply to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec for the passing of a special act to amend the acts 13 George V, chapter 118, and 15 George V, chapter 137, for the purposes above set forth, as appears by a certified copy of the said resolution which accompanies the petition;

Whereas the prayer of this petition has been approved by the Ordinary of the diocese of Montreal, within whose limits the said parish is situated;

Whereas the trustees of the parish of St. Catherine have prayed for the passing of a special act in accordance with their petition and it is expedient to grant such prayer;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

13 Geo. V,  
c. 118, s. 3,  
replaced.

**1.** Section 3 of the act 13 George V, chapter 118, as replaced by the act 15 George V, chapter 137, section 1, is again replaced by the following:

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authorized.

**“3.** The trustees are authorized to erect and complete upon the basement at present built on the land of the *fabrique* of the said parish a church which shall not cost more

than the amount of three hundred and thirty-nine thousand five hundred dollars, according to the plans and specifications approved by them and the Ordinary of the archdiocese of Montreal.”

**2.** Section 5 of the act 13 George V, chapter 118, as 13 Geo. V, c. 118, s. 5, replaced. replaced by the act 15 George V, chapter 137, section 3, is again replaced by the following:

“**5.** For the payment of this construction, the trustees Loans authorized. may effect one or more loans, in the manner which they may deem expedient, either by issue of bonds or debentures or by notarial obligation carrying hypothecary guarantee, with a sinking-fund or annuities, for such period and at such rate of interest as they may see fit, provided that at no time shall the total amount of such loans exceed one Amount and redemption. hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars and that they be redeemable in principal and interest within a period not to exceed thirty-five years.”

**3.** Section 6 of the act 13 George V, chapter 118, as 13 Geo. V, c. 118, s. 6, replaced. replaced by the act 15 George V, chapter 137, section 4, is again replaced by the following:

“**6.** The trustees are authorized to levy, during a period Levy of amount to pay for erection, etc. of thirty-five years, by way of apportionment upon all the immoveables of the parish belonging to Roman Catholics, whether residing in the said parish or not, an amount sufficient to provide for the payment of the erection of the said church, as well as for the expense incurred in the passing of this act and of its amendments and the making and collection of the assessment, and to provide for the payment of the interest on the loans, sinking-fund or annuities, as the case may be. The thirty-five years above mentioned shall begin to run in 1925.”

**4.** Section 9 of the act 13 George V, chapter 118, as 13 Geo. V, c. 118, s. 9, replaced. replaced by the act 15 George V, chapter 137, section 5, is again replaced by the following:

“**9.** For the years 1922-1923, 1923-1924, 1924-1925, Rate of assessment. 1925-1926, 1926-1927, 1927-1928 and 1928-1929, the amount to be raised shall be at the rate of thirty cents, for the years 1929-1930 and 1930-1931, it shall be at the rate of twenty-five cents, for the following fifteen years at the rate of thirty cents, per hundred dollars of the value indicated in the municipal valuation roll, and for the following years, up to the expiry of the term for which the appor-

tionment is authorized, the rate shall be fixed by the trustees in such manner as to pay the debts remaining due at maturity, but such rate shall not exceed twenty-five cents per hundred dollars of the value indicated in the said roll."

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**5.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.