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Bill 391
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An Act concerning a landing facilities project in the port of Chandler

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The object of this bill is to exempt a landing facilities project for the wharf in the port situated in the territory of the municipality of Chandler from the environmental impact assessment and review procedure provided for in the Environment Quality Act.

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AN ACT CONCERNING A LANDING FACILITIES PROJECT IN THE PORT OF CHANDLER

WHEREAS Ville de Chandler proposes to provide the wharf in the town's port with landing facilities for the purpose of establishing a cruise ship and ferry connection between Montréal, Chandler and Îles-de-la-Madeleine;

Whereas in view of the socio-economic situation in the region, it is expedient to ensure that the landing facilities are operational as soon as possible, that is, not later than the beginning of the 2003 summer season, and to that end, to undertake the work in the fall of 2002;

Whereas to be able to meet that deadline, it is expedient to exempt the landing facilities project from the environmental assessment procedure provided for in Division IV.1 of Chapter I of the Environment Quality Act while allowing the Government to conserve its power to determine the environmental acceptability of the project;

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS :

1. The landing facilities project for the wharf in the port within the territory of the municipality of Chandler, presented by the municipality to the Minister of the Environment, is exempted from the environmental impact assessment and review procedure provided for in Division IV.1 of Chapter I of the Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., chapter Q-2).

The provisions of section 31.5 of that Act relating to the issue by the Government of a certificate of authorization apply to the project.

The other provisions of the Environment Quality Act continue to apply.

2. This Act comes into force on 12 November 2002.