

# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

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Bill 105

An Act to establish a perimeter around certain places in order to regulate demonstrations in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic

Introduction

Introduced by Madam Geneviève Guilbault Minister of Public Security

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

This bill proposes to regulate demonstrations in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic by prohibiting them within a 50-metre radius of the grounds of certain places, including places where COVID-19 testing or vaccination services are provided, facilities maintained by a health and social services institution, facilities of holders of a childcare centre or day care centre permit issued under the Educational Childcare Act and educational institutions providing preschool, elementary or secondary education. The bill also prohibits organizing or inciting anyone to organize such demonstrations.

The bill contains penal provisions for contravening its provisions and allows a judge of the Superior Court to grant an injunction to prevent any act prohibited by them.

Lastly, the provisions of the bill will cease to have effect when the public health emergency declared on 13 March 2020 ends.

### **Bill 105**

## AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PERIMETER AROUND CERTAIN PLACES IN ORDER TO REGULATE DEMONSTRATIONS IN RELATION TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

### THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- **1.** No one may be less than 50 metres from the grounds of the following places in order to demonstrate, in any manner, in connection with health measures ordered under section 123 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2), COVID-19 vaccination or any other recommendation issued by public health authorities in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic:
  - (1) a place where COVID-19 testing or vaccination services are provided;
  - (2) a facility maintained by a health and social services institution;
- (3) a facility of the holder of a childcare centre or day care centre permit issued under the Educational Childcare Act (chapter S-4.1.1); or
- (4) an educational institution providing preschool, elementary or secondary education.

The prohibition under the first paragraph also applies within a 50-metre perimeter around any mobile clinic providing services referred to in subparagraph 1.

- **2.** No one may organize or incite anyone to organize a demonstration that would contravene section 1.
- **3.** Anyone who contravenes the provisions of section 1 or 2 commits an offence and is liable to a fine of \$1,000 to \$6,000.

Anyone who, in connection with public health measures ordered under section 123 of the Public Health Act, COVID-19 vaccination or any other recommendation issued by public health authorities in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic, threatens or intimidates a person who is going to, trying to access or leaving a place referred to in section 1, commits an offence and is liable to a fine of \$2,000 to \$12,000.

**4.** A judge of the Superior Court may grant an injunction to prevent any act prohibited by section 1 or 2.

**5.** The provisions of this Act come into force on (*insert the date of assent to this Act*) and cease to have effect on the date on which the public health emergency, declared by Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 and renewed in accordance with section 119 of the Public Health Act, ends.