Bill 213
(Private)

An Act respecting Municipalité des Îles-de-la-Madeleine

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AN ACT RESPECTING MUNICIPALITÉ DES ÎLES-DE-LA-MADELEINE

AS it is in the interest of Municipalité des Îles-de-la-Madeleine that it be granted certain powers to enable it to promote the construction, renovation and annual leasing of rental dwellings in order to alleviate the housing shortage in its territory;

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS follows:

1. Despite the Municipal Aid Prohibition Act (chapter I-15), Municipalité des Îles-de-la-Madeleine may, by by-law, adopt a program to promote the construction, renovation and annual leasing of rental dwellings used for residential purposes.

   The assistance under the program may not be used for dwellings that are leased in whole or in part for tourism purposes.

2. The financial assistance granted under the program referred to in section 1 may, in particular, take the form of a tax credit, subsidy or loan.

   Subject to sections 3 to 6, the terms and conditions of the program are set by a by-law adopted by the municipal council.

3. The eligibility period for the program referred to in section 1 may not extend beyond 31 December 2026.

4. The total amount of financial assistance granted in the form of a subsidy or tax credit may not exceed $2,000,000 for the program referred to in section 1. The municipality may, by a by-law approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, increase that amount and extend the period of eligibility for the program.

   The financial assistance granted to a beneficiary under the program may not exceed $500,000 and a period of 10 years.

5. To secure the performance of the obligations of beneficiaries under the program referred to in section 1, and to protect the value and ensure the conservation of an immovable, the municipality may, among other things, acquire a hypothec or another real right, obtain revenues from the immovable or receive part of the appreciation in its value since the work was done.
6. The program mentioned in section 1 must provide that a beneficiary of assistance for the construction or renovation of a dwelling must, except for a serious reason, preserve the rental and residential vocation of the dwelling for a minimum period of five years. The program must provide that the municipality may require the beneficiary to repay all or part of the financial assistance if that obligation is not met.

7. This Act comes into force on 5 June 2020.