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Bill 200

(Private)

**An Act respecting Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe**

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### **AN ACT RESPECTING VILLE DE SAINT-HYACINTHE**

AS Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe was constituted by Order in Council 1480-2001 (2001, G.O. 2, 6988);

AS Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe resulted from the amalgamation of Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe, Ville de Sainte-Rosalie and the parishes of Notre-Dame-de-Saint-Hyacinthe, Sainte-Rosalie, Saint-Hyacinthe-le-Confesseur and Saint-Thomas-d'Aquin following the filing of a joint application by those municipalities;

AS Order in Council 1480-2001 set out the obligation for the new city to limit to 5% the variation in the amount of the general property tax for a fiscal year, compared to the preceding fiscal year, in respect of all the units of assessment in the territory of each of the former municipalities, regardless of the reason for the increase, for a maximum period of 10 years, that is until 1 January 2011;

AS, under section 173 of the Act respecting the consultation of citizens with respect to the territorial reorganization of certain municipalities (2003, chapter 14), this period was extended to 20 years, that is until 1 January 2021;

AS, for the fiscal year 2012, Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe increased the general property tax rate for the part of its territory constituted by the territories of the former parishes of Notre-Dame-de-Saint-Hyacinthe, Sainte-Rosalie, Saint-Hyacinthe-le-Confesseur and Saint-Thomas-d'Aquin and of Ville de Sainte-Rosalie in order to harmonize that rate with the rate in force in the territory of the former Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe, as initially provided for in Order in Council 1480-2001 and despite section 173 of chapter 14 of the statutes of 2003;

AS it is in the interest of Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe that the harmonization period for the general property tax rates be kept at 10 years and that the imposition of the general property tax ordered for the 2012 fiscal year be confirmed and ratified;

#### **THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

**1.** Section 173 of the Act respecting the consultation of citizens with respect to the territorial reorganization of certain municipalities (2003, chapter 14) does not apply to the general property tax rate harmonization provided for in section 24 of Order in Council 1480-2001 (2001, G.O. 2, 6988) respecting the amalgamation of Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe, Ville de Sainte-Rosalie and the

parishes of Notre-Dame-de-Saint-Hyacinthe, Sainte-Rosalie, Saint-Hyacinthe-le-Confesseur and Saint-Thomas-d'Aquin.

The general property tax ordered and imposed by Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe for the 2012 fiscal year is validated insofar as it was imposed without regard to the 5% limit for increases in the amount of the general property tax.

**2.** This Act comes into force on 7 December 2012.