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## BILL

An Act to amend the Charter of the "Literary and Historical Society of " Quebec."

W HEREAS in the Royal Charter of His <sup>Preamble</sup>. late Majesty King William the Fourth, incorporating the "Literary and Historical " Society of Quebec," and bearing date the 5 fifth day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, a proviso is inserted in the words following, " Provided always, and our will and pleasure Royal Char-" is, that no Act done at any meeting of the ter recited. 10 "Society shall be valid and effectual unless " the President or one of the Vice-Presidents " and eight other Members of the said Society " at least be present, and the major part of " them do consent to and concur therein," 15 — and whereas the *quorum* established by the said Proviso hath been found to be inconveniently large, and the said Society have petitioned that the said Charter be amended in this particular, and the said quorum 20 reduced in the manner hereinafter provided: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority Quorum at of the same, That for and notwithstanding the said anything in the said Proviso or in any other Society to 25 part of the Charter cited in the Preamble to this Act, each and every act done at any -meeting of the said " Literary and Historical. Society of Quebec," shall be valid and affectual, provided the President or one of the 30 Vice-Presidents of the said Society and at other Members thereof be least present at such meeting, and the majority of them do consent and concur therein, and not otherwise. A<sup>131</sup>