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[1856.

**An Act to declare which shall be the legal Text of the
Acts of the Legislature in certain cases.**

(Brought in in French.)

WHEREAS in consequence of the passing of Laws in the French Preamble.
and English languages, serious difficulties have arisen in Lower
Canada from the translation either from English into French or from
French into English, of laws originally drawn up in the one or the other of
those languages, and from the material differences which frequently exist
between the two texts ; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows :

I. Every Bill hereafter brought into the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly of this Province and affecting any person or locality in Lower Canada, shall contain after the title and immediately before the 10 preamble of the Bill, the following words : " *Brought in in French* (or *English*)."

II. Every public or private Act having reference to Lower Canada, shall contain the words aforesaid, in the manner hereinbefore prescribed. Whether Public or Private.

III. The language in which any Bill shall have been brought in, shall, in case such Bill shall become law, and any difference shall exist between the two texts of the law, be the legal text for all purposes whatsoever in Lower Canada.

IV. The foregoing provisions shall apply to all Bills brought in, and to the Laws which may be passed during the present Session.

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To apply to
Acts of this
Session.