

**Subsection 5.—Quebec**

The Government of Quebec consists of the Lieutenant-Governor, an Executive Council, and a bicameral legislature—the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly.

The Honourable Gaspard Fauteux, the present Lieutenant-Governor, was commissioned to office Oct. 3, 1950. Lieutenant-Governors since Confederation are cited in the Year Book 1951, p. 90.

The Legislative Council has 24 members nominated for life by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. The Legislative Assembly has 92 elected members and, like the Legislative Council, has the power to bring forward Bills relating to civil and administrative matters and to the amendment or repeal of laws that already exist. A Bill, to be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor, must have received the assent of both Houses. Only the Legislative Assembly can bring forward a Bill requiring the expenditure of public money. The maximum life of a Legislature is five years.

Salaries and allowances of the Premier, Members of the Executive Council, Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly are fixed according to R.S.Q. 1941, c. 4, as amended by 1-2 Eliz. II, as follows: all Members of the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council receive \$4,000 per annum as salary and \$2,000 by way of allowances; in addition, the Premier receives \$10,000 as salary, \$4,000 allowances and \$2,000 for lodging allowance; Ministers with portfolio an additional \$8,000 as salary and \$2,000 allowances; Ministers without portfolio an additional \$3,000 salary and \$2,000 allowances; the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly an additional \$6,000 salary, \$2,000 allowances and \$2,000 for lodging allowance; and the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council an additional \$5,000 salary and \$2,000 allowances.

**6.—Legislatures and Premiers of Quebec, 1935-53, the Ministry and Members of the Legislative Council as at Mar. 31, 1953**

**Legislatures, 1935-53<sup>1</sup>**

Date of Election	Legislature	Number of Sessions	Date of First Opening	Date of Dissolution
Nov. 25, 1935	19th General Assembly.....	1	Mar. 24, 1936	June 11, 1936
Aug. 17, 1936	20th General Assembly.....	4	Oct. 7, 1936	Sept. 23, 1939
Oct. 25, 1939	21st General Assembly.....	5	Feb. 20, 1940	June 29, 1944
Aug. 8, 1944	22nd General Assembly.....	4	Feb. 7, 1945	June 9, 1948
July 28, 1948	23rd General Assembly.....	4	Jan. 19, 1949	May 28, 1952
July 16, 1952	24th General Assembly.....	2	Nov. 12, 1952	<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The Ministries from 1935-53 were: 16th Ministry, sworn in July 8, 1920, under the leadership of Hon. L. A. Taschereau; 17th Ministry, sworn in June 11, 1936, under the leadership of Hon. A. Godbout; 18th Ministry, sworn in Aug. 24, 1936, under the leadership of Hon. Maurice L. Duplessis; 19th Ministry, sworn in Nov. 10, 1939, under the leadership of Hon. A. Godbout; 20th Ministry, sworn in Aug. 30, 1944, under the leadership of Hon. Maurice L. Duplessis.

<sup>2</sup> Life of Legislature not expired at Mar. 31, 1953.