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### **SATAL, a novel (and cheap) way of building a point-in-time legislation publication system**

Point-in-time legislation systems allow for the consultation of legislation as it was at a specific point in the past, a functionality that is very desirable to the users of legislation systems. Typically, point-in-time systems are built in parallel with electronic consolidation systems which are heavy, complex and require a lot of work from experts. But what if one already has access to the product of a consolidation system that is not point-in-time? We have devised a point-in-time system that relies on the product of other consolidation systems and that, over time, is able to affix a specific "in force" period to every consolidation using a variety of sources and a first order logic system. The system was designed to require minimal intervention and to have a very low cost of operation so that only one person could manage the process of publishing the statutes and regulations of more than 10 legislatures. The aspect of efficient quality control management with so much data is also discussed.