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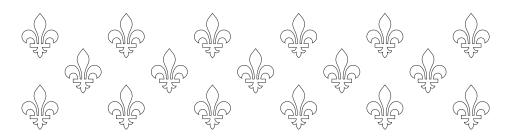
OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Québec, 29 October 2014

This day, at twenty minutes past four o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to sanction the following bill:

14 An Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure and other provisions

To this bill the Royal assent was affixed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION

FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

Bill 14 (2014, chapter 10)

An Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure and other provisions

Introduced 30 September 2014 Passed in principle 7 October 2014 Passed 23 October 2014 Assented to 29 October 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Act amends the Code of Civil Procedure in order to raise the value of the claims admissible in small claims recovery matters to \$15,000.

The Tariff of Court Fees applicable to the Recovery of Small Claims is also amended to set the amount of the court fees payable in the case of claims made admissible by this Act.

Under the Code as amended, the chief justice or chief judge may order on his or her own initiative that a case be transferred to another district, and may take into consideration the interests of the parties or the third persons concerned or any serious grounds warranting such a transfer.

Lastly, various consequential amendments and transitional measures are introduced.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

- Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25);
- Act respecting municipal courts (chapter C-72.01);
- Act to establish the new Code of Civil Procedure (2014, chapter 1).

REGULATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

- Tariff of Court Fees applicable to the Recovery of Small Claims (chapter C-25, r. 16).

Bill 14

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE AND OTHER PROVISIONS

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

- **1.** Article 75.0.1 of the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25) is replaced by the following article:
- "**75.0.1.** At any stage of a proceeding, the chief justice or chief judge or the judge designated by the chief justice or chief judge may, by way of exception, order, even on his or her own initiative after having heard the parties, that a case, a trial or an application relating to the execution of a judgment be transferred to another district in the interests of the parties or of the third persons concerned or if warranted on serious grounds."
- **2.** Article 953 of the Code is amended by replacing both occurrences of "\$7,000" by "\$15,000".
- **3.** Article 955 of the Code is amended by replacing both occurrences of "\$7,000" by "\$15,000".
- **4.** Article 994 of the Code is amended by replacing "\$7,000" in the second paragraph by "\$15,000".

ACT RESPECTING MUNICIPAL COURTS

5. Section 80 of the Act respecting municipal courts (chapter C-72.01) is amended by replacing both occurrences of "\$7,000" by "\$15,000".

ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NEW CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

6. Article 822 of the Act to establish the new Code of Civil Procedure (2014, chapter 1) is repealed.

TARIFF OF COURT FEES APPLICABLE TO THE RECOVERY OF SMALL CLAIMS

7. Section 2 of the Tariff of Court Fees applicable to the Recovery of Small Claims (chapter C-25, r. 16) is amended

- (1) by replacing "\$7,000" in the last line of the table by "\$6,999.99";
- (2) by adding the following line after the last line of the table under "Costs for the proceeding introductive of suit", "Natural person" and "Legal person", respectively:

"\$7,000 to \$15,000	\$200	\$250".
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8. Section 3 of the Tariff is amended

- (1) by replacing "\$7,000" in the last line of the table by "\$6,999.99";
- (2) by adding the following line after the last line of the table under "Costs for the contestation", "Natural person" and "Legal person", respectively:

"\$7,000 to \$15,000	\$190 \$240".	,
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9. Section 4 of the Tariff is amended

- (1) by replacing "\$7,000" in the last line of the table by "\$6,999.99";
- (2) by adding the following line after the last line of the table under "Cross demand", "Natural person" and "Legal person", respectively:

"\$7,000 to \$15,000	\$90	\$110".
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10. Section 5 of the Tariff is amended

- (1) by replacing "\$7,000" in the last line of the table by "\$6,999.99";
- (2) by adding the following line after the last line of the table under "Revocation of a judgment", "Natural person" and "Legal person", respectively:

•	"\$7,000 to \$15,000	\$90	\$110".

11. Section 6 of the Tariff is amended

- (1) by replacing "\$7,000" in the last line of the table by "\$6,999.99";
- (2) by adding the following line after the last line of the table under "Issue of the writ of execution by the clerk", "Natural person" and "Legal person", respectively:

"\$7,000 to \$15,000 \$160	\$180".
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12. Section 7 of the Tariff is amended by replacing the last line of the table by the following lines:

"\$5,000 to \$6,999.99	\$94.50	\$104
\$7,000 and over	\$110	\$120".

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

- **13.** Cases that would, on the date of coming into force of this Act, be under the jurisdiction of the Small Claims Division of the Court of Québec continue before the Civil Division of the Court of Québec already seized of the matter.
- **14.** The amendment made by section 4 of this Act does not have effect with regard to the execution, if already underway, of a judgment rendered in a small claims matter.
- **15.** This Act comes into force on 1 January 2015 or any earlier date set by the Government.

Regulations and other Acts

M.O., 2014-13

Order R-17.0.1-2014-13 of the Minister of Finance dated 20 January 2015

Voluntary Retirement Savings Plans Act (chapter R-17.0.1)

Determination of a date having the effect of extending the transitional period provided for in section 139 of the Voluntary Retirement Savings Plans Act

CONSIDERING that the Voluntary Retirement Savings Plans Act (chapter R-17.0.1) was assented to on 4 December 2013;

CONSIDERING that the first paragraph of section 139 of the Voluntary Retirement Savings Plans Act (chapter R-17.0.1) provides that, despite the second paragraph of section 42, until 1 January 2016 or until any later date determined by the Minister of Finance, an insurer may provide a voluntary retirement savings plan to an employer through a group insurance representative only authorized to provide group insurance plans within the meaning of the Act respecting the distribution of financial products and services (chapter D-9.2) or through a representative in insurance of persons within the meaning of section 3 of that Act;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to determine a date later than 1 January 2016;

THEREFORE, the Minister of Finance determines that up to 31 December 2017, an insurer may provide a voluntary retirement savings plan to an employer through a group insurance representative only authorized to provide group insurance plans within the meaning of the Act respecting the distribution of financial products and services (chapter D-9.2) or through a representative in insurance of persons within the meaning of section 3 of that Act.

CARLOS LEITÃO, Minister of Finance

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Notice

Natural Heritage Conservation Act (chapter C-61.01)

Pays-d'en-Haut Nature Reserve (Secteur du Marais-du-Paysan) — Recognition

Notice is hereby given, in keeping with article 58 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (Chapter C-61.01), that the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change has recognized as a nature reserve a private property situated on the territory of the Town of Sainte-Adèle, Regional County Municipality of Pays-d'en-Haut, known and designated as the lot number 2 232 340 of the Quebec cadastre, Terrebonne registry division. This property covering an area of 1,26 hectare.

This recognition, for perpetuity, takes effect on the date of the publication of this notice in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

JEAN-PIERRE LANIEL, Interim General Director of Ecology and Conservation

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Notice

Natural Heritage Conservation Act (chapter C-61.01)

William-Godfrey-le-Maistre Nature Reserve — Recognition

Notice is hereby given, in keeping with article 58 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (Chapter C-61.01), that the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change has recognized as a nature reserve a private property situated on the territory of the Town of Dunham, Regional County Municipality of Brome-Missisquoi, known and designated as two parts of the lot number 3 979 765 and as a part of the lot number 3 979 775 of the Quebec cadastre, Missisquoi registry division. This property covering an area of 36,13 hectares.

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JEAN-PIERRE LANIEL, Interim General Director of Ecology and Conservation

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