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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 227-2025, 5 March 2025

COMING INTO FORCE of certain provisions of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence

WHEREAS, under section 41 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence (2024, chapter 9), the provisions of the Act come into force on the date or dates to be set by the Government;

WHEREAS it is expedient to set 5 March 2025 as the date of coming into force of sections 12 to 15, 19, 20, 24, insofar as they refer to reports and complaints made pursuant to sections 258.0.1 and 262 of the Education Act (chapter I-13.3), made respectively by sections 14 and 19 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence, sections 26, 27, 31, 33, 34, 37, insofar as they refer to reports and complaints made pursuant to section 54.11.4 of the Act respecting private education (chapter E-9.1), made by section 31 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence, and section 40 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence;

WHEREAS it is expedient to set 1 September 2025 as the date of coming into force of sections 4, 22 and 39 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Education:

THAT 5 March 2025 be set as the date of coming into force of sections 12 to 15, 19, 20, 24, insofar as they refer to reports and complaints made pursuant to sections 258.0.1 and 262 of the Education Act (chapter I-13.3), made respectively by sections 14 and 19 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence (2024, chapter 9), sections 26, 27, 31, 33, 34, 37, insofar as they refer to reports and complaints made pursuant to section 54.11.4 of the Act respecting private education (chapter E-9.1), made by section 31 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence, and section 40 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence;

THAT 1 September 2025 be set as the date of coming into force of sections 4, 22 and 39 of the Act to reinforce the protection of students, including with regard to acts of sexual violence.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 292-2025, 12 mars 2025

COMING INTO FORCE of certain provisions of the Act to improve support for persons and to simplify the social assistance regime

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 79 of the Act to improve support for persons and to simplify the social assistance regime (2024, chapter 34), the provisions of the Act come into force on the date or dates to be set by order of the Government;

WHEREAS it is expedient to set 1 April 2025 as the date of coming into force of sections 1 and 2, paragraph 2 of section 13, sections 14, 15 and 17, section 18, insofar as it enacts section 43.4 of the Individual and Family Assistance Act (chapter A-13.1.1), paragraph 2 of section 31, sections 34 and 40, section 46, except subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 108 of the Individual and Family Assistance Act that it enacts, section 48, section 50, insofar as it enacts paragraph 2 of section 131.1 of the Individual and Family Assistance Act, section 57, paragraphs 1 and 3 of section 58, section 59, sections 64 to 72, and paragraph 2 of section 73 of the Act to improve support for persons and to simplify the social assistance regime;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister Responsible for Social Solidarity and Community Action:

THAT 1 April 2025 be set as the date of coming into force of sections 1 and 2, paragraph 2 of section 13, sections 14, 15 and 17, section 18, insofar as it enacts section 43.4 of the Individual and Family Assistance Act (chapter A-13.1.1), paragraph 2 of section 31, sections 34 and 40, section 46, except subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 108 of the Individual and Family Assistance Act that it enacts, section 48, section 50, insofar as it enacts paragraph 2 of section 131.1 of the Individual and Family Assistance Act, section 57, paragraphs 1 and 3 of section 58, section 59, sections 64 to 72, and paragraph 2 of section 73 of the Act to improve support for persons and to simplify the social assistance regime (2024, chapter 34).

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Draft Regulation

Consumer Protection Act
(chapter P-40.1)

Application of the Consumer Protection Act — Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Consumer Protection Act, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation amends the Regulation respecting the application of the Consumer Protection Act (chapter P-40.1, r. 3) to exempt contracts entered into by merchants that operate an establishment providing restaurant services from the application of the first paragraph of section 13 of the Consumer Protection Act (chapter P-40.1) and to set the conditions for the exemption, which would allow for such contracts to include a stipulation requiring, under certain conditions, the payment of charges by consumers who fail to honor a reservation at such an establishment.

The draft Regulation should not generate any expenses for the enterprises concerned, which are primarily small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Joël Simard, advocate, Direction des affaires juridiques, Office de la protection du consommateur, 400, boulevard Jean-Lesage, bureau 450, Québec (Québec) G1K 8W4; email: consultationOPC@opc.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Denis Marsolais, President, Office de la protection du consommateur, 400, boulevard Jean-Lesage, bureau 450, Québec (Québec) G1K 8W4; email: presidenceOPC@opc.gouv.qc.ca. The comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister of Justice.

SIMON JOLIN-BARRETTE
Minister of Justice

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Consumer Protection Act

Consumer Protection Act
(chapter P-40.1, s. 350, par. r).

1. The Regulation respecting the application of the Consumer Protection Act (chapter P-40.1, r. 3) is amended by inserting the following after section 25.3:

“**25.3.1.** Despite the first paragraph of section 13 of the Act, a contract entered into by a merchant that operates an establishment providing restaurant services may include a stipulation requiring the payment of charges by a consumer who fails to honor a reservation in that establishment under the following conditions:

(a) the stipulation is brought expressly to the consumer’s attention before the reservation is made;

(b) the reservation is for a group of at least 5 people;

(c) the merchant contacts the consumer, using a technological means, to confirm the reservation in writing 6 to 48 hours before the scheduled time of the reservation, except where the reservation is made within that period;

(d) the merchant provides the consumer with a technological means accessible at all times to cancel the reservation;

(e) no member of the group is present at the scheduled time of the reservation;

(f) the charges may not be imposed on the consumer if the reservation is cancelled at least 3 hours before the scheduled time of the reservation; and

(g) the charges imposed may not exceed \$10 per person and may not be billed before the scheduled time of the reservation.

25.3.2. A merchant that imposes the payment of charges in accordance with section 25.3.1 may not require the consumer to pay any other charges, penalties or damages in connection with the reservation.”

2. This Regulation comes into force on 17 July 2025.

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