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Québec, 24 February 2026

Office of the Lieutenant-Governor

Québec, 24 February 2026

This day, at twenty to four o'clock in the afternoon, Her Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to assent to the following bill:

111 An Act to modernize the Cooperatives Act and to amend other provisions

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

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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

SECOND SESSION FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

Bill 111
(2026, chapter 1)

An Act to modernize the Cooperatives Act and to amend other provisions

Introduced 6 June 2025
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The purpose of this Act is to modernize the Cooperatives Act.

The Act provides for various measures surrounding the creation and operation of a cooperative, including the possibility that it be operated in the interest of a collectivity identified in its articles, the obligation that the number of members be not less than the minimum number of founders required for its constitution, and changes to the rules concerning its board of directors.

The Act proposes additional transparency measures with respect to the registers that a cooperative must keep and specifies the information that must appear in its financial statements and the information that must be sent to all shareholders.

The Act requires that preferred shares be registered and specifies the rules applicable with respect to the characteristics concerning them, in particular as regards the rights and preferences that they confer and their transfer.

The Act allows the operating surplus or surplus earnings of a cooperative to be allocated to a new reserve, that is, the reserve for future rebates, and authorizes the allotment of any rebate in proportion to the business done by the members over one or several fiscal years only where the general reserve presents a positive balance.

In addition, the Act authorizes the cooperatives whose articles prohibit the allotment of rebates and the payment of interest on preferred shares to declare themselves as being non-profit and specifies that the activity of a cooperative with its members does not constitute a means of earning a profit. It expressly prohibits the sale of a cooperative's assets at a value that is less than their market value.

The Act broadens a cooperative's power to be a party to an amalgamation, in particular by allowing such a transaction between cooperatives or between a cooperative and a federation of cooperatives having different objects and by eliminating certain requirements of a financial nature.

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The penal provisions are updated and all of the provisions governing the voluntary winding-up of a cooperative are integrated into the Cooperatives Act.

With respect to housing cooperatives, the Act provides that a member of such a cooperative who has resigned does not have the right to maintain occupancy of the leased premises at the end of his lease and amends the Civil Code to clarify that lessors and lessees may not apply to the Administrative Housing Tribunal to modify any condition of a lease.

The Act respecting the legal publicity of enterprises is also amended, mainly to determine the information that must be declared in the enterprise register where the members of a cooperative have entered into an agreement to not elect directors.

Lastly, the Act contains transitional, consequential and final provisions.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

– Civil Code of Québec;

– Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2);

– Winding-up Act (chapter L-4);

– Act respecting the legal publicity of enterprises (chapter P-44.1).

REGULATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

– Regulation under the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2, r. 1).

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Bill 111

AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE COOPERATIVES ACT AND TO AMEND OTHER PROVISIONS

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

COOPERATIVES ACT

1. The Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2) is amended by adding the following before Title I:

"PRELIMINARY PROVISION

The purpose of this Act is to allow for the constitution of cooperatives and to govern cooperatives whose nature is distinctive insofar as they are held collectively and controlled democratically by their members and do not seek profitability as their ultimate goal.

A further purpose of the Act is to ensure that cooperatives, insofar as they are created by and for their members, are deeply rooted in their community and contribute to its growth, wherever they are located in Québec."

2. Section 3 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "prosecution" by "operation";

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"In addition, the operation of a cooperative may be carried out in the interest of a collectivity determined by its articles."

3. Section 4 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing paragraph 3 by the following paragraph:

"(3) the payment to a member of interest on the capital stock must be limited and not for purposes of speculation";

(2) by inserting "general" before "reserve" in paragraphs 4 and 5;

(3) by inserting "sustainable" before "development" in paragraph 8.

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4. Section 9 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph 3:

"(4) whether it is operated in the interest of a collectivity and, if so, the collectivity concerned; and";

(2) by replacing "members" in paragraph 5 by "partners".

5. Section 10 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"In case of conflict, the provisions of the articles prevail over those of the by-laws."

6. Section 12 of the Act is amended by striking out paragraph 3.

7. Section 16 of the Act is amended

(1) by striking out ", "cooperation"" in the first paragraph;

(2) by inserting "other" before "person" in the second paragraph.

8. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 16:

"**16.1.** A cooperative whose articles indicate that it is operated in the interest of a collectivity may identify itself as a collective interest cooperative and include the acronym "CIC" in its name.

No other person or partnership may identify itself as a collective interest cooperative or include the acronym "CIC" in its name or use it."

9. Section 23 of the Act is amended by replacing "the articles" in the second paragraph by "the application for constitution".

10. Section 24 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "vérificateur" in subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph in the French text by "auditeur";

(2) by inserting "ratify the deeds performed in the interest of the cooperative before its constitution," after "they may" in the second paragraph.

11. Section 29 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**29.** Third persons are not presumed to have knowledge of the information contained in a document concerning a cooperative, other than the information referred to in section 98 of the Act respecting the legal publicity of enterprises

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(chapter P-44.1), solely because the document has been deposited in the enterprise register or because it is available for consultation at the head office of the cooperative."

12. Section 30 of the Act is amended by replacing "sent to the Minister and filed" in paragraph 2 by "concerning the cooperative sent to the Minister and deposited in the enterprise register or registered".

13. Section 33 of the Act is amended by replacing the first sentence of the second paragraph by the following sentence: "The general meeting or the board of directors may move the head office according to what is prescribed by by-law."

14. Section 37 of the Act is amended by replacing ", preferred shares and participating preferred shares" in the first paragraph by "and preferred shares".

15. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 38.2:

"**38.2.1.** Subject to section 62, the shareholders are not, in that capacity, liable for any act, omission or obligation of the cooperative."

16. Section 46 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting ", subject to the Securities Act (chapter V-1.1)" at the end of the first paragraph;

(2) by replacing the second paragraph by the following paragraphs:

"The preferred shares are registered. They may be transferred only with the approval of the board of directors.

The board shall determine the amount of and the preferences, rights and restrictions attaching to the shares, the conditions for their redemption and their repayment as well as any additional condition for their transfer. Any change to these characteristics must be authorized by a resolution adopted separately by two-thirds of the votes cast by the affected shareholders of each class or series of shares concerned or the representatives present at a meeting to which those shareholders are invited or by a proportion of votes cast that is greater than that set by the resolution that determines the characteristics of those shares.";

(3) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The cooperative may include in its articles the characteristics referred to in the third paragraph."

17. Division III.1 of Chapter VIII of Title I of the Act, comprising sections 49.1 to 49.4, is repealed.

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18. The Act is amended by inserting the following division after section 49.4:

"**DIVISION III.2**
"INFORMATION RELATING TO SHARES

"**49.5.** The cooperative must communicate the following information to all shareholders each year or make it available at a location the cooperative indicates:

(1) in relation to the last fiscal year,

(*a*) the classes of shares outstanding at the end of the fiscal year,

(*b*) the total value of each class and series of shares,

(*c*) the preferences, rights and restrictions attaching to each class of preferred shares and the conditions for their redemption, repayment or transfer,

(*d*) the amount of the requests for repayment the cooperative received for each class of shares, and

(*e*) a statement regarding whether there is an obligation to obtain the authorization of a third person before any reimbursement of the capital stock; and

(2) the redemption and repayment policy for preferred shares and the repayment plan for those shares.

With respect to members, the obligation provided for in the first paragraph may be met by attaching to the notice of its annual meeting a document containing the information concerned."

19. Section 51.3 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**51.3.** The founders are members of the cooperative and have the same rights and obligations as any other member.

The number of members of a cooperative may not be less than the minimum number of founders required for its constitution."

20. Section 54 of the Act is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph: "That contribution may vary according to the class of members provided by law to which a member belongs, if applicable."

21. Section 54.1 of the Act is amended by replacing "may by by-law determine" by "must, in the year following its constitution, adopt a by-law determining the".

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22. Section 57 of the Act is amended by adding the following subparagraph at the end of the first paragraph:

"(8) if he has defaulted on a penalty imposed pursuant to section 57.1 or if he is once again in the situation that led to it being imposed."

23. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 57:

"**57.1.** The board of directors may, if authorized by by-law, impose a monetary penalty or other penalty on a member in the cases referred to in subparagraphs 2, 5, 6 and 7 of the first paragraph of section 57 instead of suspending or expelling the member."

24. Section 58 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "deciding to suspend or expel a member, the board of directors shall give him written notice of the grounds invoked for" in the first paragraph by "imposing a penalty on a member under section 57.1 or ruling on the suspension or expulsion of the member, the board of directors shall give the member written notice of the grounds invoked for imposing the penalty or for";

(2) by inserting "the imposition of the penalty or" after "oppose" in the second paragraph;

(3) by inserting "of the imposition of the penalty or" after "reasons" in the fourth paragraph.

25. Section 60 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"In addition, a member who is suspended while he is a director loses the right to sit on the board of directors for the duration of the suspension or, if it is shorter, for the unexpired portion of the member's term of office as director, unless the board decides otherwise."

26. Section 69 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "may authorize in writing his or her spouse or children of full age" in the first paragraph by "who is not a legal person or a partnership may authorize any person of full age" and by replacing "celui-ci" in the first paragraph in the French text by "celle-ci";

(2) by striking out the second paragraph.

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27 Section 76 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing both occurrences of "vérificateur" in the first paragraph in the French text by "auditeur", with the necessary grammatical modifications;

(2) by replacing "may call the annual meeting. The cooperative shall reimburse the federation for reasonable expenses incurred by the federation to hold the meeting" in the second paragraph by "or at least two of the members of the cooperative may call the annual meeting. The cooperative shall reimburse those who called the meeting for the reasonable expenses they incurred to hold the meeting".

28. Section 76.1 of the Act is amended by replacing "place" by "location".

29. Section 80 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**80.** The affairs of a cooperative are administered by a board of directors.

The number of directors on the board is determined by by-law. It may not, however, be less than three."

30. Section 81 of the Act is amended by replacing the second and third paragraphs by the following paragraphs:

"The following persons may also be directors:

(1) the representative of a financial services cooperative within the meaning of the Act respecting financial services cooperatives (chapter C-67.3) and the representative of a federation or confederation within the meaning of this Act, provided the financial services cooperative or the federation or confederation is a group within the meaning of section 83; and

(2) in the case of a cooperative, other than a solidarity cooperative, whose articles set out that it is operated in the interest of a collectivity, a person who is from that collectivity and who is not a member of the cooperative.

Notwithstanding the first paragraph, a member of a producers cooperative, a consumer cooperative or a solidarity cooperative composed only of user members and supporting members who is also an employee of that cooperative may be a director of the cooperative only if a by-law of the cooperative allows it."

31. Section 81.1.1 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**81.1.1.** The number of positions held by persons referred to in the second and third paragraphs of section 81 as well as in section 81.1 must not exceed one-third of the total number of directors' positions."

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32. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 81.2:

"**81.3.** However, persons who are disqualified from office as directors under the provisions of the Civil Code may not be directors of a cooperative."

33. Section 84 of the Act is amended by replacing the first and second paragraphs by the following paragraph:

"The term of office of a director is one year. It may, however, be two years or three years to the extent that a by-law introduces a mechanism of rotation that ensures continuity on the board of directors."

34. The Act is amended by inserting the following sections after section 84:

"**84.1.** The cooperative may, by by-law, limit the number of renewals of the term of office of members of the board of directors.

"**84.2.** A director ceases to hold office before the end of his term if he is removed from office or if he becomes disqualified from holding that office or resigns.

The resignation of a director becomes effective at the date on which the director's written notice of resignation is received by the cooperative or at a later date indicated in the notice."

35. Section 85 of the Act is amended by replacing the first sentence of the first paragraph by the following sentence: "In the case of a vacancy on the board of directors, the directors may, if there is a quorum, appoint a person who is eligible to hold the office of director to fill the vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term of office."

36. Section 89 of the Act is amended by replacing "by a by-law adopted" in the fourth paragraph by "by a resolution adopted".

37. Section 90 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting "and, if applicable, the other elements established by the cooperative's by-laws" at the end of paragraph 4.1;

(2) by inserting "otherwise than to fill a vacancy" at the end of paragraph 4.2;

(3) by replacing "du vérificateur" in paragraph 5 in the French text by "de l'auditeur";

(4) by inserting "sustainable" before "development" in paragraph 7.1.

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38. Section 91 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"They must, in the exercise of their functions, act with prudence and diligence, honesty and loyalty and in the interest of the cooperative."

39. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 102:

"**102.1.** When an attendance allowance has been fixed in accordance with the second paragraph of section 102, a director who is an employee of the cooperative and who participates in meetings of the board of directors during the director's work hours receives only the portion of the allowance that exceeds, if applicable, the salary the director is paid in the course of the director's participation."

40. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 106:

"**106.0.1.** If there is no quorum during a vote on a matter concerning an enterprise, a contract or an economic activity in which one or more directors have an interest only because the director or directors had to leave the meeting pursuant to the second paragraph of section 106, the other directors present are deemed to constitute a quorum for the purpose of that vote."

41. Section 107 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"In addition, the members of the executive committee of the board of directors of a solidarity cooperative must reflect the diversity of the cooperative's members and where they include supporting members, the number of members from that class may not exceed one-third of the number of members of the committee."

42. Section 108.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "composed of directors" in the first paragraph by "of directors composed of at least three directors";

(2) by inserting the following paragraph after the first paragraph:

"In the case of a solidarity cooperative, the provisions of the third paragraph of section 107 apply to the composition of committees of directors referred to in the first paragraph of this section."

43. Section 117 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The by-law may, in respect of persons who hold a position of director without being a member of the cooperative, make any other office as an executive officer incompatible with the position of director."

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44. Section 123 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting "and any resolution to be submitted for adoption" after "amended" in the first paragraph;

(2) in the second paragraph,

(*a*) by replacing "of any draft by-law" by "of the draft by-law and the draft resolution";

(*b*) by replacing "place" by "location".

45. Section 124 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing ", preferred shares and participating preferred shares" in paragraph 6 by "and preferred shares";

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"(8) its annual reports of the last six fiscal years."

46. Section 127 of the Act is amended by replacing "7" and "the last" in the first paragraph by "8" and "every", respectively.

47. Section 128 of the Act is amended by inserting "regardless of whether the cooperative prohibits itself from allotting rebates and paying interest on the preferred shares issued to members" at the end.

48. Section 128.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "government regulation" in the first paragraph by "the government regulation that applies to it";

(2) by inserting the following paragraph after the second paragraph:

"In the case of a cooperative whose articles set out that it is operated in the interest of a collectivity, this proportion is established in accordance with the modalities determined by government regulation. Should that proportion not be attained at the end of a fiscal year, the cooperative must specify in the annual report for that fiscal year the reasons for that situation."

49. Section 130 of the Act is amended by striking out the second paragraph.

50. Section 132 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "du vérificateur" in paragraph 5 in the French text by "de l'auditeur";

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(2) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph 6.1:

"(6.2) a description of the measures taken to promote the training of the members, directors, executive officers and employees of the cooperative in the field of cooperation and to inform the public on the nature and advantages of cooperation; and".

51. Section 133 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"They must, in particular, reflect the recommendation of the board of directors referred to in paragraph 4.1 of section 90 concerning the allocation of any operating surplus or surplus earnings. The difference with the amount approved by the members at the annual meeting, if any, must be reflected in the financial statements of the following fiscal year."

52. The heading of Chapter XIX of Title I of the Act in the French text is replaced by the following heading:

"AUDIT".

53. Section 135 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**135.** At each annual meeting, the cooperative shall appoint an auditor responsible for performing the audit of its financial statements whose term of office expires at the following annual meeting.

The auditor must be a member of the Ordre des comptables professionnels agréés du Québec and hold, if applicable, the required permit.

The Government may, by regulation, exempt a cooperative from the application of the first paragraph, on the basis of its volume of business or according to other criteria determined by the regulation."

54. Section 138 of the Act is repealed.

55. Section 139 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**139.** Despite the first paragraph of section 135, a mandate may be given to the auditor to conduct a review engagement instead of the audit if two-thirds of the members or representatives present at the annual meeting consent to it."

56. The heading of Chapter XX of Title I of the Act is amended by replacing "RESERVE" by "RESERVES".

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57. Section 143 of the Act is amended,

(1) in the first paragraph,

(*a*) by replacing "and participating preferred shares has been deducted including interest allocated as participation in the operating surplus or surplus earnings" in the introductory clause by "has been deducted";

(*b*) by inserting "general" before "reserve" in subparagraph 1;

(*c*) by inserting the following subparagraph after subparagraph 1:

"(1.1) to the reserve for future rebates, if applicable;";

(*d*) by inserting ", to the extent that the general reserve presents a positive balance" at the end of subparagraph 2;

(*e*) by inserting "and to the extent that the general reserve presents a positive balance" at the end of subparagraph 3;

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"Notwithstanding the second and third paragraphs, the cooperative may, by by-law, provide that the rebates are calculated on the basis of the concerned business done during a period covering several successive fiscal years, without, however, exceeding the last four."

58. Section 144 of the Act is amended by replacing "reserve" by "general reserve or, if applicable, the reserve for future rebates".

59. Section 145 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "The reserve is composed of the aggregate, after deduction of deficits," and "into the reserve" by "The general reserve is composed of the aggregate" and "into the general reserve", respectively;

(2) by inserting "and contributed surplus" at the end.

60. Section 146 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting "general" before both occurrences of "reserve" in the first paragraph;

(2) by striking out "and participating preferred shares, including interest allocated as participation in the operating surplus or surplus earnings," in the third paragraph.

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61. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 146:

"**146.0.1.** When no by-law allows auxiliary members to have rebates allotted to them, the operating surplus or surplus earnings resulting from the application of the second paragraph of section 149 must also be allocated to the general reserve."

62. Section 146.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "section 185, 210 or 221.2.10 must be allocated to the reserve" in the first paragraph by "sections 183.10, 183.11 and 192 must be allocated to the general reserve";

(2) by replacing "or a confederation" in the second paragraph by ", a confederation or an organization whose object is to support cooperative development".

63. Section 148 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "any category of preferred shares it has determined" in the first paragraph by "the preferred shares issued to the members. If such is the case, it may then declare itself as being non-profit";

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"Notwithstanding the first paragraph, a cooperative whose articles indicate that it is operated in the interest of a collectivity must, in those articles, prohibit itself from allotting a rebate and paying interest on the preferred shares issued to its members."

64. Section 149 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "may be allotted to members and auxiliary members. Such operating surplus or surplus earnings shall be allotted in the form of rebates." by "may be allocated to the reserve for future rebates or allotted to the members and auxiliary members in the form of rebates.";

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"For the purposes of the first paragraph, where no by-law allows auxiliary members to have rebates allotted to them, the board of directors must nonetheless determine the operating surplus or surplus earnings that would result from the business done by those members as if they could have rebates allotted to them."

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65. The Act is amended by inserting the following sections after section 149:

"**149.0.1.** A cooperative whose articles do not prohibit the allotment of a rebate may, in order to promote a stabilization of the payment of rebates, constitute, by by-law, a reserve to be known as a "reserve for future rebates".

"**149.0.2.** The by-laws shall provide that the sums making up the reserve for future rebates may be allotted in the form of rebates to the members or, if applicable, to the auxiliary members of the cooperative.

The by-laws may also provide that, should there be a winding-up of the cooperative, the sums making up the reserve for future rebates will be remitted in the manner and under the conditions set out in section 183.8.

"**149.0.3.** Where the by-laws of the cooperative contain provisions for the purposes of the first paragraph of section 149.0.2, the board of directors may, in accordance with the by-laws or as part of a policy it establishes, allot a rebate to the cooperative's members and, if applicable, to the auxiliary members.

The rebate shall be allotted in proportion to the business done by those members or auxiliary members with the cooperative or with a business corporation or partnership in which the cooperative holds shares or other securities during the period determined by the by-laws.

The allotment of the rebate is subject to the conditions set out in section 38, with the necessary modifications.

"**149.0.4.** The annual report of a cooperative that has constituted a reserve for future rebates must, in addition to the other requirements of this Act, present a statement concerning that reserve, including the total amount of the rebates allotted from that reserve for the fiscal year concerned."

66. Section 149.2 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "may provide" in the first paragraph by "shall provide";

(2) by replacing "185" in the second paragraph by "183.9".

67. Section 149.3 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "the reserve" in the first paragraph by "the general reserve";

(2) by striking out the third paragraph.

68. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 149.6:

"**150.** A rebate results from one's status as a member or, if applicable, as an auxiliary member of a cooperative. It consists in a sum remitted at the end of the fiscal year to those members in accordance with section 149.

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As the activity of a cooperative with its members and, if applicable, with its auxiliary members does not constitute a means of profit, the rebate consists in the remittal of part of a surplus payment to the cooperative by the member or, if applicable, by the auxiliary member or in an adjustment of the price of the products or services that a member or, if applicable, an auxiliary member delivered or provided, as the case may be, to the cooperative."

69. The Act is amended by inserting the following after section 152:

"**152.0.1.** If a fiscal year ends with a deficit, the deficit shall be reduced by means of any sums contained in the various reserves, in the following order:

(1) the reserve for future rebates;

(2) the enhancement reserve; and

(3) the general reserve.

"**CHAPTER XX.1**

"ASSET DISPOSAL

"**152.0.2.** Members and auxiliary members may not allot to themselves or otherwise acquire outside the normal course of the business of the cooperative an asset of the cooperative for a value that is less than its fair market value.

Similarly, subject to the fourth paragraph of section 89, the board of directors may not transfer an asset of the cooperative outside the normal course of its business or otherwise dispose of an asset for a value that is less than its fair market value.

A director cannot be held liable under the second paragraph if the director acted with a reasonable degree of prudence and diligence in the circumstances."

70. Section 153 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**153.** A cooperative may amalgamate with another cooperative and with a federation of which it is a member."

71. Section 154 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**154.** The entities referred to in section 153 cannot, however, amalgamate if there is reasonable ground to believe that the entity resulting from the amalgamation could not discharge its liabilities when due."

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72. Section 154.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "Notwithstanding paragraph 2 of section 154, two or more cooperatives may amalgamate even if the book value of the assets of the cooperative" by "An amalgamation referred to in section 153 may take place even if the value of the assets of the entity";

(2) by inserting "of the entities that propose to amalgamate" after "creditors".

73. Section 155 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "Cooperatives" in the introductory clause and "cooperatives" in paragraph 4 by "Entities" and "entities", respectively;

(2) by replacing "cooperatives" in paragraph 5 by "amalgamating entities";

(3) by replacing "the amalgamation of cooperatives" in paragraph 5.3 by "an amalgamation involving a cooperative";

(4) by replacing "cooperatives" in paragraph 6 by "entities";

(5) by replacing all occurrences of "cooperative resulting" by "entity resulting".

74. Section 156 of the Act is amended, in the first paragraph,

(1) by replacing "cooperatives" in the introductory clause by "entities";

(2) by replacing "a by-law" in subparagraph 1 by "a resolution";

(3) by striking out "des coopératives" in subparagraph 1 in the French text;

(4) by replacing "the cooperative resulting" in subparagraph 2 by "the entity resulting".

75. Section 159 of the Act is amended by inserting "as well as the names of the amalgamating entities" at the end.

76. Section 160 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "the by-laws were adopted" in paragraph 5 by "the resolutions were adopted";

(2) by striking out paragraph 6.

77. Section 161 of the Act is amended by replacing "cooperatives" by "amalgamating entities".

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78. Section 162 of the Act is amended by inserting "or "federation resulting from an amalgamation", as applicable," after ""cooperative resulting from an amalgamation"" in the second paragraph.

79. Section 163 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "the cooperatives that have amalgamated continue in existence as one and the same cooperative" in the first paragraph by "the entities that have amalgamated continue in existence as the entity resulting from the amalgamation";

(2) by replacing "cooperative" and both occurrences of "cooperatives" in the second paragraph by "entity" and "entities", respectively;

(3) by replacing "cooperatives" and "reserve of the cooperative resulting" in the third paragraph by "entities" and "general reserve of the entity resulting", respectively.

80. Section 164 of the Act is amended by striking out "if each cooperative is pursuing similar or related objects and".

81. Section 165 of the Act is amended by replacing "and the provisions referred to in section 10" in paragraph 1 by ", the provisions referred to in section 10, and any amendment to the articles of the absorbing cooperative".

82. Section 169 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "The articles of absorption" by "The articles of amalgamation by absorption";

(2) by inserting "and the name of each absorbed cooperative" at the end.

83. Section 170 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "the articles of absorption" in the introductory clause by "the articles of amalgamation by absorption";

(2) by replacing "of absorption" in paragraph 2 by "of amalgamation";

(3) by replacing "the absorbed cooperative" in paragraph 4 by "each absorbed cooperative";

(4) by striking out paragraph 6.

84. Section 171.1 of the Act is amended by replacing "articles of absorption" by "articles of amalgamation by absorption".

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85. Section 172 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing both occurrences of "the absorbed cooperative" in the first paragraph by "each absorbed cooperative";

(2) in the second paragraph,

(*a*) by replacing "the absorbed cooperative" by "each absorbed cooperative";

(*b*) by inserting "general" before "reserve".

86. Section 174 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting ", the name of the amalgamated business corporation" after "amalgamating cooperative" in the first paragraph;

(2) by striking out subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph.

87. Section 176.1 of the Act is amended by striking out "having similar or related objects".

88. Section 176.2 of the Act is amended, in the first paragraph,

(1) by replacing "163" by "162.1";

(2) by striking out "and the third paragraph of section 163, which apply only to the amalgamating cooperative".

89. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 176.2:

"**176.3.** From the date of taking effect appearing on the articles of amalgamation, the amalgamating legal person continues in existence within the cooperative.

The cooperative acquires the rights of that legal person and assumes its obligations."

90. The Act is amended by inserting the following division after the heading of Chapter XXIII of Title I:

"**DIVISION 0.1**

"GENERAL PROVISION

"**180.1.** Winding-up consists in determining the assets of a cooperative, recovering its claims, performing or obtaining forgiveness of its obligations or otherwise making provision for them, paying the winding-up expenses,

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paying shareholders the appropriate sums to which they are entitled and subsequently rendering an account to the cooperative's members and to the Minister."

91. The Act is amended by inserting the following heading after the heading of Division I:

"§1. — *Appointment, removal and replacement of the liquidator*".

92. Section 181 of the Act is amended

(1) by striking out "empowered to take immediate possession of the property of the cooperative" in the second paragraph;

(2) by adding the following paragraphs at the end:

"The resolution shall fix the remuneration of each liquidator.

In addition, a liquidator is entitled to the reimbursement of the expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of office."

93. The Act is amended by inserting the following sections after section 181:

"**181.0.1.** Any natural person fully capable of exercising his civil rights may be appointed liquidator.

A legal person authorized by law to administer the property of others may also be appointed liquidator.

"**181.0.2.** A liquidator is not obliged to take out insurance or to provide security for the performance of the liquidator's obligations, unless the members require the liquidator to do so by resolution taken at the time the liquidator is appointed and fix the amount of the insurance or security.

If a liquidator is required to provide security and refuses or neglects to do so, the liquidator forfeits the office, unless relieved from the default by the members.

"**181.0.3.** Where three liquidators are appointed, their powers may be exercised by the majority of them."

94. Section 182 of the Act is repealed.

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95. Section 183 of the Act is amended

(1) by adding the following paragraph at the beginning:

"As of the appointment of the liquidator, the board of directors of the cooperative is dissolved and the cooperative exists and may act only for the purposes of its winding-up and dissolution.";

(2) by replacing "As soon as winding-up has been accepted by the general meeting" in the first paragraph by "In addition";

(3) by striking out the second paragraph.

96. The Act is amended by inserting the following after section 183:

"**183.1.** Two members of the cooperative, or the board of directors of the federation of which the cooperative is a member, may call a special meeting to remove a liquidator and appoint a new one by a resolution adopted by the majority of the votes cast by the members or representatives present at the meeting.

The liquidator or liquidators shall reimburse those who called the meeting for reasonable expenses incurred by them to hold the meeting.

"**183.2.** The members must, without delay, by a resolution adopted by the majority of the votes cast by the members or representatives present at a special meeting, fill any vacancy in the office of liquidator.

The meeting may be called by any member or by one of the liquidators still in office, if applicable.

"**183.3.** If a liquidator is not appointed or replaced within 15 days of the office becoming vacant, a member or any other interested person may apply to a judge of the Superior Court, in the district where the cooperative has its head office, to appoint or replace a liquidator.

"§2. — *Conduct of the winding-up*

"**183.4.** As of the appointment of the liquidator and for the time required for the winding-up, the liquidator is seized of the cooperative's property.

The liquidator shall act as administrator of the property of others charged with full administration.

The directors, executive officers and members of the cooperative must, at the request of the liquidator, provide the liquidator with any document or explanation concerning the rights and obligations of the cooperative.

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"**183.5.** If the winding-up continues for more than one year, the liquidator must, at the end of the first year and at least once a year after that, render a summary account of the liquidator's management to the members of the cooperative.

"**183.6.** The liquidator recovers the claims of the cooperative, including any amounts outstanding on shares held by the members of the cooperative or by the other shareholders.

"**183.7.** The liquidator shall first pay the debts of the cooperative of which forgiveness has not been obtained, as and when they become due or in accordance with terms agreed on with the cooperative's creditors. The liquidator shall also pay the winding-up expenses and, then, the amounts paid on the shares according to the priorities established by by-law or resolution.

The expenses incurred by a creditor after he has himself or by his attorney had knowledge of the winding-up cannot be collocated against the proceeds of the property of the cooperative distributed in consequence of the winding-up.

The sums representing the shares that could not be repaid shall be remitted to the Minister of Revenue together with a statement of the sums indicating the name and last known address of the interested parties and the date on which the sums were transferred to the Minister of Revenue; the Unclaimed Property Act (chapter B-5.1) applies to sums so remitted.

"**183.8.** Where the by-laws of a cooperative contain provisions for the purposes of the second paragraph of section 149.0.2, the balance remaining in the reserve for future rebates, if any, shall be remitted to the persons or partnerships that were members or auxiliary members of the cooperative during the period covering the five fiscal years preceding the year the winding-up was voted. The remittances are made in proportion to the business done by those persons or partnerships with the cooperative or with a business corporation or partnership in which the cooperative held shares or other securities during the period determined by the cooperative's by-laws.

The balance remaining in the reserve for future rebates is the balance appearing on the balance sheet of the cooperative established by the liquidator, minus the net loss from the disposal of the cooperative's assets.

"**183.9.** Where the by-laws of a producers cooperative, a work cooperative or a shareholding workers cooperative contain provisions for the purposes of the second paragraph of section 149.2, the balance remaining in the enhancement reserve, if any, shall be remitted to the persons or partnerships that were members or auxiliary members of the cooperative during the period covering the five fiscal years preceding the year the winding-up was voted. The remittances are made in proportion to the business done by those persons or

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partnerships with the cooperative or with a business corporation or partnership in which the cooperative held shares or other securities during the period determined by the cooperative's by-laws.

The balance remaining in the enhancement reserve is the balance appearing on the balance sheet of the cooperative established by the liquidator, minus the net loss from the disposal of the cooperative's assets.

In the case of a cooperative to which section 149.5 applies, the balance includes, as the case may be, the portion of any profit earned on the disposal of the shares of the cooperative that may be paid into the enhancement reserve.

"**183.10.** Once the payments and remittances have been made, as applicable, in accordance with any of sections 183.7, 183.8 and 183.9, the balance of the assets is devolved to a cooperative, a federation, a confederation or the Conseil québécois de la coopération et de la mutualité by means of a resolution adopted by the majority of the votes cast by the members or representatives present.

However, where the winding-up concerns a housing cooperative, the balance of the assets is devolved to such a cooperative, a federation of housing cooperatives, a confederation of such federations or the Conseil québécois de la coopération et de la mutualité by means of a resolution adopted by the majority of the votes cast by the members or representatives present.

Similarly, where the winding-up concerns an agricultural cooperative, the balance of the assets is distributed among the persons or partnerships that were members of the cooperative during the three fiscal years preceding the year in which the winding-up was voted, in proportion to the amount of business done by those persons or partnerships during the period determined by the general meeting. The members may, however, decide to remit all or part of the balance of the assets to another agricultural cooperative or to the federation of agricultural cooperatives designated by the Government under section 192.

"**183.11.** Where the members have not made a decision concerning the balance of the cooperative's assets, that balance devolves to the Conseil québécois de la coopération et de la mutualité."

97. Section 185 of the Act is replaced by the following section:

"**185.** After winding up the cooperative in accordance with sections 183.6 to 183.11, the liquidator shall produce a final account and submit it to the members for approval by a resolution adopted by the majority of the votes cast by the members or representatives present at a special meeting called for that purpose.

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The final account determines the cooperative's assets at the time of its winding-up and reports on the disposal of the property of the cooperative, the sums realized, the obligations of the cooperative that were performed, those of which the liquidator obtained forgiveness and the overall manner in which the winding-up was conducted."

98. Section 185.1 of the Act is replaced by the following:

"§3. — *Closure of the winding-up*

"**185.1.** The winding-up of the cooperative is terminated by sending the Minister a closure report on the winding-up mentioning the holding of the special meeting referred to in section 185, the approval of the final account by the members present or represented at that meeting and the manner in which the winding-up was conducted.

The Minister shall send to the enterprise registrar a notice indicating that the Minister received the report.

"**185.1.1.** The enterprise registrar shall make an entry in the register to the effect that the closure report was sent to the Minister and the cooperative is dissolved from the time that entry is made.

"**185.1.2.** Within 30 days after the date of the dissolution of the cooperative, the liquidator must remit to the Minister of Revenue the amount of all sums that have not been claimed and paid by that time, with a statement thereof indicating the name and last known address of the persons entitled to them and the date on which they were remitted to the Minister of Revenue.

The Unclaimed Property Act (chapter B-5.1) applies, with the necessary modifications, to those sums.

"**185.1.3.** The liquidator shall keep the books and registers of the cooperative for five years after the closure of the winding-up; the liquidator shall keep them for a longer period if they are required as evidence in a judicial or administrative proceeding.

"§4. — *Discontinuation of the winding-up*

"**185.1.4.** In the course of the winding-up, but before the sale of the property of the cooperative, the members may, by a resolution adopted by three-fourths of the votes cast by the members or representatives present at a special meeting called for that purpose by at least two members, decide to discontinue the winding-up proceedings and resume the operations of the cooperative.

The notice of a meeting must be sent to the liquidator and state that withdrawal of consent to the dissolution of the cooperative is to be proposed.

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"**185.1.5.** The members must, at the special meeting referred to in section 185.1.4, direct one of their number to apply, on behalf of the cooperative, to a judge of the Superior Court in the district where the cooperative has its head office, for the approval of the resolution to discontinue the winding-up proceedings and resume the operations of the cooperative.

A notice of the day on which the application is to be presented must be given to the liquidator, to the creditors and to the members and other shareholders, by any means providing proof of the date of receipt. It must be sent at least six days before the day fixed for the presentation of the application.

The resolution of the members referred to in the first paragraph of section 185.1.4 shall have no effect until approved by the judge.

Subject to the second paragraph of section 185.1.7, the approval of the resolution by the judge shall put an end to the powers of the liquidator, but every act done by the liquidator while in office shall remain valid, and any action instituted by the liquidator may be taken up and carried on by the cooperative in the usual way.

"**185.1.6.** A notice of the resolution and of its approval must be sent to the Minister. The latter shall send a copy to the enterprise registrar, who shall deposit it in the register.

From the date of that deposit, the notice referred to in section 181.1 shall cease to have effect.

"**185.1.7.** The discontinuation shall terminate the winding-up, the board of directors of the cooperative shall be re-established and its most recent directors, if they consent, shall resume their term of office.

Where the number of directors provided for by by-law is not attained, the liquidator must, as soon as possible, call a special meeting to fill the vacancies on the board of directors. If the liquidator fails to call the meeting, any member may do so. The cooperative shall reimburse the member who called the meeting for reasonable expenses incurred by the member to hold the meeting.

The winding-up resumes if the number of directors provided for by by-law is not attained within 90 days after the discontinuation."

99. Section 185.2 of the Act is amended by replacing "$25,000" by "$50,000".

100. Section 185.3 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "section 185" by "sections 183.7 to 183.11";

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(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"At the meeting, the directors shall designate a director from among them who shall be responsible for keeping the books and registers of the cooperative from the time of its dissolution."

101. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 185.4:

"**185.4.1.** The director designated by the board of directors at the special meeting referred to in section 185.3 shall keep the books and registers of the cooperative for five years after the closure of the winding-up; the director shall keep them for a longer period if they are required as evidence in a judicial or administrative proceeding."

102. The heading of Chapter XXIV of Title I of the Act is replaced by the following heading:

"FORCED DISSOLUTION".

103. Section 185.5 of the Act is amended by replacing "of its annual report" in the first paragraph by "of an inspection report or the annual report of a cooperative".

104. Section 186 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "order the dissolution of a cooperative" in the introductory clause by "dissolve a cooperative";

(2) by replacing "minimum number referred to in section 7 or 223.1, as the case may be" in paragraph 1 by "minimum number of founders required for its constitution";

(3) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph 1:

"(2) it fails to send to the Minister information, a copy of the by-laws or any other document that the Minister has required under this Act;";

(4) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The Minister may also dissolve a cooperative at the request of the provisional secretary or of two of its founders showing that the cooperative will not be holding its general organization meeting. The secretary or the founders must, at the request of the Minister, provide the Minister with the relevant information and documents in relation to their request."

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105. Section 187 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing the first paragraph by the following paragraph:

"Except in the cases provided for in subparagraph 6 of the first paragraph and in the second paragraph of section 186, the Minister must, before dissolving a cooperative, give notice to the cooperative of the alleged default and of the penalty to which the cooperative is liable.";

(2) by replacing "order the cooperative dissolved" in the second paragraph by "dissolve the cooperative".

106. Section 188 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "order the cooperative dissolved" in the second paragraph by "dissolve the cooperative";

(2) by inserting "general" before "reserve" in the third paragraph.

107. Section 189 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting "of the dissolution request referred to in the second paragraph of section 186 and" after "copy";

(2) by replacing "it" by "them".

108. Section 190 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing the first paragraph by the following paragraph:

"The Minister's decision to dissolve the cooperative shall be sent to the enterprise registrar, who shall deposit it in the register. It has effect from the date of deposit.";

(2) by replacing "the dissolution order" in the second paragraph by "the decision".

109. Section 191 of the Act is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the second paragraph: "Section 24 of the Unclaimed Property Act (chapter B-5.1) does not apply."

110. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 191:

"**191.0.1.** The provisions of articles 359 to 364 of the Civil Code apply to the Minister of Revenue or to the designated liquidator, as the case may be, with the necessary modifications and subject to this Act."

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111. Section 192 of the Act is amended by inserting ", except in the case of an agricultural cooperative, in which case the balance of the assets devolves, in accordance with the decision of the Minister, to another agricultural cooperative or to the federation of agricultural cooperatives designated by the Government" at the end.

112. The Act is amended by inserting the following chapter after the heading of Title II:

"**CHAPTER 0.1**

"GENERAL PROVISION

"**193.0.1.** Title I applies to the cooperatives governed by this Title, with the necessary modifications, except the provisions that are inconsistent with those of this Title."

113. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 193.2:

"**193.2.1.** At least three founders are required to apply for the constitution of a producers cooperative."

114. Section 200 of the Act is amended by replacing "paragraph 2" in the second paragraph by "subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph".

115. Section 205 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The conditions referred to in subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph must, in particular, provide that goods acquired by the cooperative from a body to which a member of the cooperative is required to sell similar goods that the member produces, such as a marketing board, are deemed to have been acquired from that member."

116. Sections 208 and 210 of the Act are repealed.

117. Section 211.8 of the Act is amended by replacing "paragraph 1" by "subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph".

118. The Act is amended by inserting the following sections after section 219.1:

"**219.2.** A consumer cooperative may, by by-law, provide for a class of family members and determine their rights and obligations, in particular as to the exercise of the right to vote at meetings and the possibility that only one representative of the family may be elected as a director.

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"**219.3.** A natural person may be part of only one class of members of a consumer cooperative.

"**219.4.** The board of directors of a consumer cooperative other than a housing cooperative may designate the persons authorized to admit members in its name."

119. Section 221 of the Act is amended by adding the following sentence at the end: "In such a case, only one of the two members may be elected as a director."

120. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 221.1:

"**221.1.1.** A member who, six months or more before the expiry of his lease, resigns from the cooperative does not have the right to maintain occupancy of the leased premises on the expiry of the lease.

If the resignation occurs less than six months before the expiry of his lease, the member must vacate the leased premises not later than six months after his resignation.

Where the lease was renewed before the member's resignation, the lease is terminated on the date on which the resigning member vacates the leased premises or on the date on which the six-month period referred to in the second paragraph ends, whichever occurs first."

121. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 221.2.1:

"**221.2.1.1.** Unless otherwise provided for in the by-laws, a member may authorize in writing a person of full age with whom the member cohabits and who is not a member of the cooperative to take part in the deliberations of the meeting, in the member's absence, and to vote in his place."

122. Section 221.2.3 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "set up a reserve" in paragraph 1 by "see to it that the general reserve is";

(2) by replacing "vérificateur" in paragraph 2 in the French text by "auditeur".

123. Section 221.2.5 of the Act is amended by replacing "jointly by the Minister and by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Regions and Land Occupancy, who may each subject their authorization to the conditions they determine" in the first paragraph by "by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Regions and Land Occupancy, who may subject his or her authorization to the conditions the Minister determines".

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124. Section 221.2.6 of the Act is amended

(1) by inserting "a copy of the resolution provided for in the fourth paragraph of section 89, where applicable," after "the immovable," in the first paragraph;

(2) in the second paragraph,

(*a*) by inserting "of Municipal Affairs, Regions and Land Occupancy" after "Minister";

(*b*) by replacing "30" by "60";

(3) by replacing "the ministers shall take into account" in the third paragraph by "the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Regions and Land Occupancy shall take into account" and by replacing "prennent" in that paragraph in the French text by "prend";

(4) by replacing "the ministers must" in the fourth paragraph by "the Minister must".

125. Section 221.2.7 of the Act is amended by inserting "of Municipal Affairs, Regions and Land Occupancy" after "Minister".

126. Section 221.2.9 of the Act is amended by replacing "joint authorization of the Minister and" in the first paragraph by "authorization".

127. Section 221.2.10 of the Act is repealed.

128. Section 221.3 of the Act is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph: "The same applies to the former students and staff members of the institution provided they have already been members of the cooperative."

129. Section 221.4.1 of the Act is repealed.

130. Section 221.5.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph: "The former students and staff members of the institution constitute a single group and have the right to elect at least one director.";

(2) by adding the following sentence at the end of the second paragraph: "The former students and staff members of those institutions constitute a single group and have the right to elect at least one director.";

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(3) by inserting the following paragraph after the second paragraph:

"The cooperative may, by by-law, provide for a manner of establishing the groups and for modalities of nomination and election of the directors representing them that differ from those provided for in the second paragraph."

131. Section 224.2 of the Act is amended by replacing "extending over a period of not more than 18 months" in the first paragraph by ", which shall run from the worker's first work day".

132. Section 224.4.2 of the Act is repealed.

133. Section 224.4.3 of the Act is amended

(1) by adding the following paragraph at the beginning:

"The cooperative must adopt a policy on the orientation and integration of workers as members and, if applicable, auxiliary members.";

(2) by replacing "The cooperative is" in the first paragraph by "It is also".

134. Section 225.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "representative" by "member";

(2) by inserting "to act as director" at the end.

135. Section 225.7 of the Act is amended by replacing "224.4.1 to" by "224.4.1,".

136. Section 226.5 of the Act is repealed.

137. Section 226.6 of the Act is amended by inserting "subparagraph 1 of" after "persons referred to in" in the third paragraph.

138. Section 226.8 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"Despite subparagraphs 1 and 2 of the first paragraph, the cooperative may, by by-law, provide that any rebates are to be calculated in proportion to the amount of business done or on the basis of the volume of work performed during a period covering more than one successive fiscal years, without, however, exceeding the last four."

139. Section 226.13 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing "order the dissolution of" in the first paragraph by "dissolve";

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(2) by replacing the second paragraph by the following paragraph:

"The Minister's decision to dissolve the cooperative shall be sent to the enterprise registrar, who shall deposit it in the register. The decision has effect from the date of deposit."

140. Section 226.14 of the Act is amended by replacing "sections 221 to 221.2.10" by "the second paragraph of section 183.10 and sections 183.11 and 221 to 221.2.9".

141. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 226.15:

"**226.16.** Where one of the objects of a solidarity cooperative is to offer services from an educational institution to students or staff of that institution, sections 221.3 to 221.8 apply, with the necessary modifications."

142. Sections 246 and 246.1 of the Act are replaced by the following sections:

"**246.** Whoever contravenes section 49.5, paragraph 8 of section 90 or any of sections 124, 127, 127.1, 131, 132 and 184 is liable to a fine of $1,000 to $4,000 in the case of a natural person and of $3,000 to $12,000 in all other cases.

"**246.1.** Whoever contravenes the second paragraph of section 16, 16.1 or 20, any of sections 33, 48, 54.1, 133, 135, 141, 221.2.3 and 221.2.4, the second paragraph of section 221.6.1, the third paragraph of section 221.7 or the second paragraph of section 226.2 is liable to a fine of $2,500 to $10,000 in the case of a natural person and of $7,500 to $30,000 in all other cases.

"**246.2.** Whoever

(1) falsely holds out, by the title he assumes or otherwise, that he is a cooperative, a federation or a confederation;

(2) furnishes the Minister with false or inaccurate information;

(3) hinders or attempts to hinder in any manner any person who performs an act which this Act obliges or authorizes him to do;

(4) contravenes any of sections 140, 146, 146.0.1, 146.1, 152.0.1 and 152.0.2 or the third paragraph of section 188;

(5) contravenes any of sections 38, 147, 149 and 149.3 or makes any other unlawful apportionment of sums belonging to a cooperative;

(6) transfers the balance of the assets of a cooperative being wound up to a person other than a person referred to in any of sections 183.10, 183.11 and 192;

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(7) alienates an immovable that was acquired, built, restored or renovated with the help of housing assistance without the Minister's authorization required under section 221.2.5; or

(8) is able, through one or more transactions which resulted in evasion of the obligation to obtain the Minister's authorization required under section 221.2.5, to take in payment an immovable acquired, built, restored or renovated with the help of housing assistance or to exercise another hypothecary right on such an immovable

is liable to a fine of $5,000 to $20,000 in the case of a natural person and of $15,000 to $60,000 in all other cases.

"**246.3.** The minimum and maximum fines prescribed in this Title are doubled for a second offence and tripled for a subsequent offence.

"**246.4.** If an offence under this Act is committed by a director or an officer of a legal person, of a partnership or of an association without legal personality, the minimum and maximum fines are those prescribed in cases other than in the case of a natural person for that offence."

143. Section 248 of the Act is repealed.

144. Section 248.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by striking out the first paragraph;

(2) by replacing "under section 246.1" in the second paragraph by "under any of paragraphs 4 to 8 of section 246.2".

145. Section 265 of the Act is amended by inserting "the name of the business corporation and" after "contain".

146. Section 269.5 of the Act is amended by inserting "16.1," after "16," in paragraph 3.

147. Section 328 of the Act is amended by inserting ", except sections 221.2.3 to 221.2.9, section 246.1 insofar as it concerns a contravention of sections 221.2.3 and 221.2.4, and paragraphs 7 and 8 of section 246.2, whose application is under the responsibility of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Regions and Land Occupancy" at the end.

148. The Act is amended by replacing all occurrences of "by-law" in the following provisions by "resolution", with the necessary grammatical modifications:

(1) section 118;

(2) section 119;

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(3) section 157;

(4) section 166;

(5) section 259.1;

(6) section 259.2;

(7) section 269.1.1; and

(8) section 269.1.2.

149. The Act is amended by inserting "general" before "reserve" in the following provisions:

(1) section 147;

(2) section 258.

150. The Act is amended by replacing all occurrences of "an organization meeting" and "the organization meeting" by "a general organization meeting" and "the general organization meeting", respectively, in the following provisions:

(1) section 21;

(2) section 225.3.

151. Unless already provided for by this Act, the Act is amended by replacing all occurrences of "vérificateur" by "auditeur" in the French text, with the necessary grammatical modifications.

CIVIL CODE OF QUÉBEC

152. Article 1955 of the Civil Code of Québec is amended by striking out "to one of its members" in the first paragraph.

WINDING-UP ACT

153. Section 17 of the Winding-up Act (chapter L-4) is amended by striking out the third and fourth paragraphs.

154. Section 18 of the Act is amended by striking out the sixth paragraph.

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ACT RESPECTING THE LEGAL PUBLICITY OF ENTERPRISES

155. Section 33 of the Act respecting the legal publicity of enterprises (chapter P-44.1) is amended by replacing subparagraph 2 of the second paragraph by the following subparagraph:

"(2) the names, domiciles and dates of birth of the directors, and the positions they hold or,

(*a*) if all powers have been withdrawn from the board of directors by a unanimous shareholder agreement entered into in accordance with the laws of Québec or a Canadian jurisdiction other than Québec, the names, domiciles and dates of birth of the shareholders or third persons having assumed those powers; or,

(*b*) if the members of a cooperative entered into an agreement in accordance with the laws of Québec or a Canadian jurisdiction other than Québec to not elect directors, the names, domiciles and dates of birth of each of those members;".

156. Section 35 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"(7) in the case of a cooperative, a statement as to the existence or not of an agreement entered into in accordance with the laws of Québec or a Canadian jurisdiction other than Québec to not elect directors."

157. Section 98 of the Act is amended by replacing subparagraph 6 of the first paragraph by the following paragraph:

"(6) the name and domicile of each director with the mention of the position he holds or,

(*a*) if all powers have been withdrawn from the board of directors by a unanimous shareholder agreement entered into in accordance with the laws of Québec or a Canadian jurisdiction other than Québec, the names and domiciles of the shareholders or third persons having assumed those powers; or

(*b*) if the members of a cooperative have entered into an agreement in accordance with the laws of Québec or a Canadian jurisdiction other than Québec to not elect directors, the name and domicile of each of those members;".

REGULATION UNDER THE COOPERATIVES ACT

158. Section 1 of the Regulation under the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2, r. 1) is amended by inserting "16.1," after "sections 16,".

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159. Section 4 of the Regulation is amended by replacing “du vérificateur” in the French text by “de l’auditeur”.

160. Section 6 of the Regulation is amended

(1) by striking out “a “Participating Preferred Shares” section,” in paragraph 1;

(2) by striking out paragraph 2;

(3) in paragraph 4,

(*a*) by inserting “general” before “reserve” in subparagraph *b*;

(*b*) by inserting the following subparagraph after subparagraph *b*:

“(*b*.1) the amount of the reserve for future rebates referred to in sections 149.0.1 to 149.0.4 of the Act;”;

(4) in paragraph 7,

(*a*) by inserting “general” before “reserve” in the introductory clause;

(*b*) by striking out subparagraph *d*;

(*c*) by replacing “and participating preferred shares, less any part of those items already charged to” in subparagraph *g* by “, less any part already deducted from the reserve for future rebates and”;

(5) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph 7:

“(7.1) where applicable, the statement of the reserve for future rebates must indicate

(*a*) the balance at the end of the preceding fiscal year;

(*b*) the surplus earnings of the preceding fiscal year allocated by the board of directors; and

(*c*) the details of the rebates allotted for the fiscal year concerned out of the reserve for future rebates; and”;

(6) by striking out “and participating preferred shares” in subparagraph *d* of paragraph 8.

161. Section 8 of the Regulation is amended by striking out “and participating preferred shares, other than interest paid as participation in the operating surplus or surplus earnings,”.

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162. The heading of Chapter III of the Regulation is amended by replacing "VÉRIFICATION" in the French text by "AUDIT".

163. Sections 12 to 15 of the Regulation are repealed.

164. Schedule 1 to the Regulation is amended,

(1) in section 1,

(*a*) by inserting "general" before "reserve" in paragraph 3;

(*b*) by inserting "the statement of the reserve for future rebates and" after "where applicable," in paragraph 4;

(2) in section 2,

(*a*) by replacing "3 sections: Participating Preferred Shares," by "2 sections:";

(*b*) by striking out "The "Participating Preferred Shares" section states only the amount of the paid-up participating preferred shares.";

(*c*) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph 24:

"(24.1) the amount of the reserve for future rebates referred to in sections 149.0.1 to 149.0.4 of the Act;";

(*d*) by inserting "general" before "reserve" in paragraph 26;

(3) in the first paragraph of section 3,

(*a*) by striking out "and participating preferred shares, other than interest paid as participation in the operating surplus or surplus earnings" in subparagraph 8;

(*b*) by striking out "and participating preferred shares" in subparagraph 9;

(4) in section 4,

(*a*) by inserting "general" before "reserve" in the introductory clause;

(*b*) by striking out paragraph 4;

(*c*) by striking out "and participating preferred shares" in paragraph 7;

(5) by inserting the following section after section 4:

"(**4.1.**) Where applicable, the statement of the reserve for future rebates states:

(1) the balance at the end of the preceding fiscal year;

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(2) the operating surplus or surplus earnings of the preceding fiscal year allocated by the board of directors; and

(3) the details of the rebates allotted for the fiscal year concerned out of the reserve for future rebates.";

(6) by striking out "and participating preferred shares" in paragraph 4 of section 5;

(7) by striking out "and participating preferred shares" in paragraph 3 of section 7.

CHAPTER III

MISCELLANEOUS, TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

165. The first paragraph of section 16 of the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2), as amended by section 7 of this Act, applies to a cooperative constituted before 24 February 2026 whose name includes on that date the term "cooperation" only from the time its name no longer includes that term.

166. The board of directors of a cooperative authorized by a by-law to issue participating preferred shares may not, from 24 February 2026, issue such shares. It may, however, change the characteristics of those shares in accordance with the law.

Subject to the conditions provided for in section 38 of the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2), the holders of such shares may keep them until the shares are redeemed or repaid in accordance with the conditions provided for by that by-law.

The provisions of section 37 of the Cooperatives Act, amended by section 14 of this Act, those of sections 49.3 and 49.4 of the Cooperatives Act, repealed by section 17 of this Act, those of sections 124, 143 and 146 of the Cooperatives Act, amended respectively by sections 45, 57 and 60 of this Act, those of sections 6 and 8 of the Regulation under the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2, r. 1), amended respectively by sections 160 and 161 of this Act, and those of sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Schedule 1 to the Regulation, amended by section 164 of this Act, that concern participating preferred shares, as they read on 23 February 2026, continue to apply to the cooperatives that issued such shares until the shares are all redeemed or repaid.

Cooperatives that issued participating preferred shares before 24 February 2026 must, for the purposes of subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 49.5 of the Cooperatives Act, enacted by section 18 of this Act, add to the document concerned, with the necessary modifications, the information concerning the participating preferred shares, until they are all redeemed or repaid.

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167. The obligation imposed on a cooperative to keep a register at its head office containing its annual reports from the last six fiscal years applies only with regard to annual reports that must be produced after 24 February 2026.

168. Until the Government designates another federation of agricultural cooperatives under section 192 of the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2), as amended by section 111 of this Act, "Sollio Groupe coopératif" is deemed to have been designated as the federation of agricultural cooperatives under that section 192.

169. Producers cooperatives, work cooperatives and shareholding workers cooperatives that have constituted by by-law an enhancement reserve have until 24 February 2027 to amend those by-laws in accordance with the provisions of the first paragraph of section 149.2 of the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2), as amended by section 66 of this Act.

170. Shareholding workers cooperatives have until 24 February 2028 to amend the shareholders' agreement of the corporation in accordance with the provisions of section 225.1 of the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2), as amended by section 134 of this Act.

171. Any cooperative, other than a housing cooperative, constituted before 24 February 2026 and for which no by-law determining conditions for the use of mediation is in force on that date must adopt such a by-law before 24 February 2027.

Whoever contravenes the provisions of the first paragraph is liable to a fine provided for in section 246.1 of the Cooperatives Act (chapter C-67.2), enacted by section 142 of this Act.

Sections 246.3 and 246.4 of the Cooperatives Act, enacted by section 142 of this Act, apply to the offence provided for in the second paragraph.

172. The provisions of this Act come into force on 24 February 2026, except those of sections 70 to 89 and 155 to 157, which come into force on the date or dates to be determined by the Government.

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O.C. 366-2026, 19 March 2026

COMING INTO FORCE of certain provisions of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment

WHEREAS, under section 194 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the Act comes into force on 28 May 2025, except, in particular, as provided by paragraph 4 of section 194 of the Act, sections 32 to 36, paragraph 2 of section 37, sections 38, 54, 55, 75, 81 to 83, 85, 94 to 96, section 98 except insofar as it enacts section 31.4.2, paragraphs 1, 2 and 4 of section 99, paragraphs 1 to 3 of section 107, section 108, paragraph 3 of section 142, sections 147 and 148, paragraph 3 of section 149, section 151, paragraph 2 of section 155, paragraph 3 of section 156, paragraph 2 of section 158, sections 160 to 163, section 164 except insofar as it enacts subparagraph 3.2, except "or 31.9.13", and subparagraph 5.1, subparagraph *b* of paragraph 1 of section 166 except insofar as it enacts subparagraph 4.2, and section 169, which come into force on the date or dates to be set by the Government;

WHEREAS it is expedient to set 19 March 2026 as the date of coming into force of subparagraph *a* of paragraph 2 of section 99 of the Act insofar as it enacts "in particular requiring" and "the deposit of security,";

WHEREAS it is expedient to set 1 December 2026 as the date of coming into force of section 75, section 81 except insofar as it enacts "and the sectoral or regional environmental assessment provided for in subdivision 5 of Division II of Chapter IV", section 82, section 83 except insofar as it enacts "and the sectoral or regional environmental assessment provided for in subdivision 5 of Division II of Chapter IV", sections 94 to 96, section 98 except insofar as it enacts section 31.4.2, paragraph 1, paragraph 2 except insofar as it enacts "in particular requiring" and "the deposit of security," in subparagraph *a*, and paragraph 4 of section 99, paragraphs 1 to 3 of section 107, section 151, paragraph 2 of section 155, paragraph 2 of section 158, section 164 except insofar as it enacts ", the plans or programs that are the subject of a sectoral or regional environmental assessment provided for in subdivision 5 of Division II of Chapter IV" in the portion before subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), "and 31.9.2" in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, "or 31.9.6" in subparagraph 1.2 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, "or 31.9.13" in subparagraph 3.2 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, "or 31.9.15" in subparagraph 4.1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, subparagraphs 4.4 to 4.7 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, subparagraph 5.1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, ", those that may be required for projects or activities that are part of a plan or program that has been the subject of a sectoral or regional environmental assessment" in subparagraph 6 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act and "or 31.9.18" in the second paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, and subparagraph *b* of paragraph 1 of section 166 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment insofar as it enacts subparagraph 4.1;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Acting Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT 19 March 2026 be set as the date of coming into force of subparagraph *a* of paragraph 2 of section 99 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12) insofar as it enacts "in particular requiring" and "the deposit of security,";

THAT 1 December 2026 be set as the date of coming into force of section 75, section 81 except insofar as it enacts "and the sectoral or regional environmental assessment provided for in subdivision 5 of Division II of Chapter IV", section 82, section 83 except insofar as it enacts "and the sectoral or regional environmental assessment provided for in subdivision 5 of Division II of Chapter IV", sections 94 to 96, section 98 except insofar as it enacts section 31.4.2, paragraph 1, paragraph 2 except insofar as it enacts "in particular requiring" and "the deposit of security," in subparagraph *a*, and paragraph 4 of section 99, paragraphs 1 to 3 of section 107, section 151, paragraph 2 of section 155, paragraph 2 of section 158, section 164 except insofar as it enacts ", the plans or programs that are the subject of a sectoral or regional environmental assessment provided for in subdivision 5 of Division II of Chapter IV" in the portion before subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), "and 31.9.2" in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, "or 31.9.6" in subparagraph 1.2 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, "or 31.9.13" in subparagraph 3.2 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, "or 31.9.15" in subparagraph 4.1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, subparagraphs 4.4 to 4.7 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, subparagraph 5.1 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, ", those that may be required for projects or activities that are part of a plan or program that has been the subject of a sectoral or regional environmental assessment" in subparagraph 6 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act and

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"or 31.9.18" in the second paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, and subparagraph *b* of paragraph 1 of section 166 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment insofar as it enacts subparagraph 4.1.

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Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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O.C. 298-2026, 11 March 2026

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the Parc national du Mont-Orford

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 4 of the Parks Act (chapter P-9), the Government may establish, abolish or change the boundaries of a park, if the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks has previously:

a) given notice of the Minister's intention to establish, abolish or change the boundaries of the park in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and in one or two newspapers published in the region concerned, or, if no newspaper is published in that region, in one or two newspapers published in the closest neighbouring region;

b) granted 60 days from the publication of such notice to enable interested persons to submit their objections to the Minister in writing;

c) received in a public hearing the persons contemplated in subparagraph *b* of the first paragraph of section 4 of the Act;

WHEREAS, in accordance with subparagraphs *a* and *b* of the first paragraph of section 4 of the Act, the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks gave notice of the Government's intention to change the boundaries of the Parc national du Mont-Orford in the Gazette officielle du Québec of 14 January 2023 and in the newspapers La Tribune and The Gazette of 14 January 2023, as well as in Le Reflet du Lac of 18 January 2023, and granted 60 days from the publication of the notice to enable interested persons to submit their objections in writing;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the second, third and fifth paragraphs of section 4 of the Act, the public hearing provided for in subparagraph *c* of the first paragraph of section 4 of the Act was held by the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement, the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement submitted its report on 29 June 2023 and the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks made the report public within 30 days of receiving it;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the Parc national du Mont-Orford;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Acting Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the Parc national du Mont-Orford, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the Parc national du Mont-Orford

Parks Act
(chapter P-9, s. 4).

1. The Regulation respecting the Parc national du Mont-Orford (chapter P-9, r. 15) is amended by replacing section 1 by the following:

"**1.** The territory, as described in the original plan filed in the office of the Surveyor-General of Québec, under file number BAGQ 550054, minute 25, of land surveyor Jessica Lapointe, dated 26 January 2026, and as represented and designated by the territory with special legal status in the Register of the domain of the State under number PN-32, constitutes Parc national du Mont-Orford.".

2. Schedules A and B to the Regulation are revoked.

3. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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O.C. 299-2026, 11 March 2026

Regulation to amend the Parks Regulation

WHEREAS, under paragraph *b* of section 9 of the Parks Act (chapter P-9), the Government may make regulations, in respect of a park, to divide it into different zones;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph *b* of the first paragraph of section 9.1 of the Act, the Government may also, by regulation, exempt, in the cases it determines, any person or class or group of persons it identifies from all or part of the obligations imposed by section 6.1 of the Act or those prescribed in the regulation, on the basis, in particular, of a person's age;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Parks Regulation was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 3 December 2025 with a notice that it could be made by Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Acting Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Parks Regulation, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Parks Regulation

Parks Act
(chapter P-9, s. 9, par. *b*, and s. 9.1, 1st par., subpar. *b*).

1. The Parks Regulation (chapter P-9, r. 25) is amended in section 6

(1) by replacing "Montagnarde" in paragraph 1 by "Route Verte"; and

(2) by striking out paragraph 9.

2. Section 11 is amended by replacing "or the part of lac Provost situated in Parc national du Mont-Tremblant" in paragraph 1 by ", the part of lac Provost situated in Parc national du Mont-Tremblant or the part of lac Brompton situated in Parc national du Mont-Orford".

3. Schedule 5 is replaced by the following:

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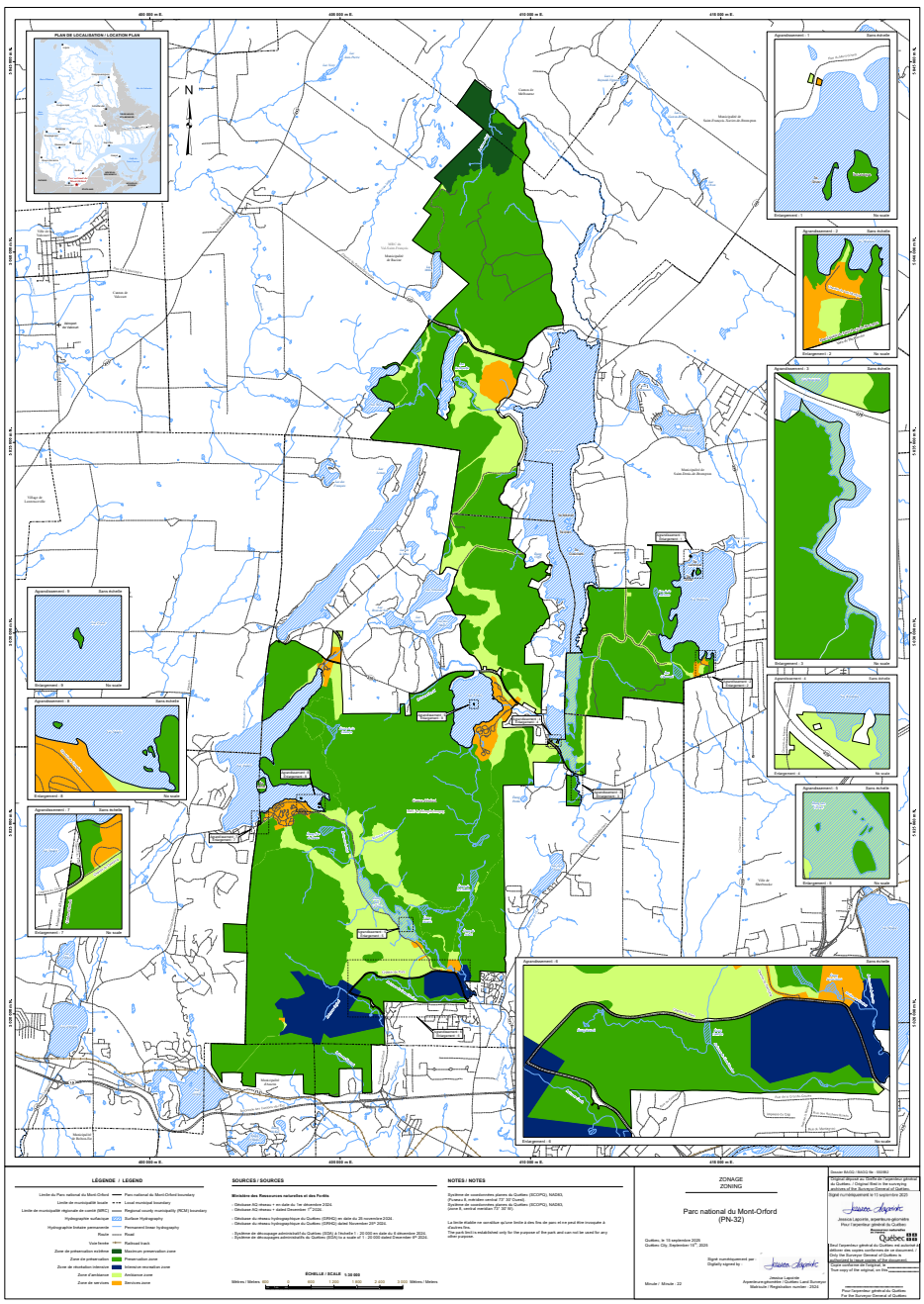
“**SCHEDULE 5**
(Section 3)

PARC NATIONAL DU MONT-ORFORD ZONING MAP



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4. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Regulation to amend the Tourist Accommodation Regulation

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 5 of the Tourist Accommodation Act (chapter H-1.01), a tourist accommodation establishment must be registered by means of an application for registration accompanied by a declaration of its accommodation offering and of the related activities and other related services, containing in particular the information and documents prescribed by government regulation;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 20 of the Act, a person who operates a tourist accommodation establishment must, once a year and during the period determined by government regulation, send an application for registration renewal accompanied by an updating declaration in which the person indicates that the information and documents regarding the establishment as well as the information and documents relating to its accommodation offering and the related activities and other related services are accurate or, if such is not the case, the changes that must be made;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 21 of the Act, the Government may determine by regulation any other condition the operator of a tourist accommodation establishment is required to comply with, including a condition regarding the display of the establishment's registration number in any medium and on any website that promotes tourist accommodation establishments or allows such establishments to be reserved;

WHEREAS, under section 22 of the Act, the Minister of Tourism communicates to a municipality, subject to the terms and conditions determined by government regulation, the information determined by that regulation regarding tourist accommodation establishments established in its territory that it requires for taxation purposes or for the application of a by-law made under the Act respecting land use planning and development (chapter A-19.1) or the Municipal Powers Act (chapter C-47.1);

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Tourist Accommodation Regulation was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 3 December 2025 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

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

THAT the Regulation to amend the Tourist Accommodation Regulation, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Tourist Accommodation Regulation

Tourist Accommodation Act
(chapter H-1.01, s. 5, 1st par., s. 20, , 1st par., s. 21, 1st par., and s. 22).

1. The Tourist Accommodation Regulation (chapter H-1.01, r. 1) is amended in section 3

(1) in the first paragraph

(*a*) by inserting the following after subparagraph 3:

"(3.1) if a person intends to operate a principal residence establishment, two of the following documents showing that the establishment is the person's principal residence:

(*a*) a copy of the municipal or school tax account or a municipal or school tax invoice;

(*b*) a copy of the insurance certificate for a motor vehicle owned by the person or for which the person is insured;

(*c*) a copy of the proof of a change of address issued by a government body responsible for postal services;

(*d*) a copy of a document, such as correspondence, addressed to the person and issued by a government department or body;";

(*b*) by replacing "a copy of the provisions of the declaration of co-ownership allowing the establishment to be operated for tourist accommodation purposes or, in the absence of such provisions, the authorization of the syndicate of co-owners to that effect" in subparagraph 4 by "a written statement of the syndicate of co-owners authorizing the establishment to be operated for tourist accommodation purposes";

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(*c*) by replacing "a copy of the leasing contract for the establishment allowing the operation of the establishment as a tourist accommodation establishment or, if the leasing contract has no such provisions, the authorization of the owner to that effect" in subparagraph 5 by "a written statement by the owner authorizing the establishment to be operated for tourist accommodation purposes";

(2) by replacing "and" in the second paragraph by "to".

2. Section 5 is amended by adding the following at the end:

"In addition, the application for renewal of the registration of a tourist accommodation establishment must be accompanied by the documents required in subparagraphs 3.1 to 5 of the first paragraph of section 3, with the necessary modifications, issued within the 12 months preceding the date of renewal of the registration.".

3. Section 9 is amended

(1) in the first paragraph

(*a*) by inserting ", on any social media" after "establishment";

(*b*) by striking out "In the case of verbal advertising, the indication of the registration number is replaced by a mention that the establishment is registered in accordance with the Tourist Accommodation Act (chapter H-1.01).";

(2) by replacing "of the public at the main entrance to the establishment unless the establishment is situated in an immovable that includes two or more residential units, in which case the registration certificate must be displayed at the main entrance to the immovable" in subparagraph 1 of the second paragraph by "of the tourism clientele at the main entrance to the establishment";

(3) by adding the following at the end:

"Despite the first paragraph, the indication of the registration number is replaced by a mention that the establishment is registered in accordance with the Tourist Accommodation Act (chapter H-1.01)

(1) in the case of verbal advertising; and

(2) where the advertising is for several establishments operated by the same person.".

4. Section 12 is amended by striking out paragraph 4.

5. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec,* except sections 1 and 2, which come into force on 1 September 2026.

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O.C. 326-2026, 11 March 2026

Amendment of Order in Council 98-2003 dated 29 January 2003 concerning strategic bridges the management of which is under the responsibility of the Minister of Transport

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of section 2 of the Act respecting roads (chapter V-9), the Government may, by an order published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, recognize certain bridges as strategic; the management of such bridges is under the responsibility of the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility;

WHEREAS Order in Council 98-2003 dated 29 January 2003, as subsequently amended, recognizes certain bridges as strategic bridges;

WHEREAS it is expedient to further amend the Schedule to Order in Council 98-2003 dated 29 January 2003, as subsequently amended, as concerns the municipality indicated, to add bridges, including their barrier systems, such as guardrails, in order to place their management under the responsibility of the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility, as indicated in the Schedule to this Order in Council;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility:

THAT the Schedule to Order in Council 98-2003 dated 29 January 2003, as subsequently amended, be further amended, as concerns the municipality indicated, to add bridges, including their barrier systems, such as guardrails, in order to place their management under the responsibility of the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility as indicated in the Schedule to this Order in Council;

THAT this Order in Council take effect on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

SCHEDULE – BRIDGES RECOGNIZED AS STRATEGIC

Municipality:			
Name, designation (geographic code)	**Bridge number**	**Road**	**Obstacle**
ADDITIONS			
Saint-Barthélemy, P (5205500)	17850	Voie de Service Ouest	Ruisseau Sarrazin
Saint-Barthélemy, P (5205500)	17851	Voie de Service Est	Ruisseau Sarrazin
Saint-Barthélemy, P (5205500)	17849	Voie de Service Ouest	Ruisseau Grande Ligne
Saint-Barthélemy, P (5205500)	20554	Voie de Service Est	Ruisseau Grande Ligne

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O.C. 367-2026, 19 March 2026

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable plant species and their habitats

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 1 of the second paragraph of section 16 of the Act respecting threatened or vulnerable species (chapter E-12.01), the prohibition, in respect of a threatened or vulnerable plant species, to have in one's possession outside its natural environment, harvest, exploit, mutilate, transplant, destroy, acquire, transfer, offer to transfer or genetically manipulate any specimen of that species or any of its parts, including its progeny, or carry on any other activity that is likely to adversely affect any specimen of that species, does not apply to an activity exempted by regulation;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 1 of the second paragraph of section 17 of the Act, the prohibition, in respect of the habitat of a threatened or vulnerable plant species, to carry on an activity that may alter the existing ecosystem, the present biological diversity or the physical or chemical components peculiar to that habitat, does not apply to an activity exempted by regulation;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 39 of the Act, in addition to its regulation-making powers under section 10 of the Act, the Government may, by regulation, withdraw certain activities from the application of section 16 in respect of a threatened or vulnerable plant species designated by virtue of the Act;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 39 of the Act, in addition to its regulation-making powers under section 10 of the Act, the Government may, by regulation, determine activities that may alter the ecosystem, biological diversity and physical or chemical components of the habitat of a threatened or vulnerable plant species for which no authorization is required;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 39 of the Act, the activities prescribed in particular in subparagraphs 1 and 2 of the first paragraph of section 39 of the Act may vary in particular according to the plant species, the kind of activity or the class of habitat of a plant species;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable plant species and their habitats was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 10 December 2025, with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Acting Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable plant species and their habitats, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable plant species and their habitats

Act respecting threatened or vulnerable species (chapter E-12.01, s. 16, 2nd par., subpar. 1, s. 17, 2nd par., subpar. 1, s. 39, 1st par., subpars. 1 and 2, and 2nd par.).

1. The Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable plant species and their habitats (chapter E-12.01, r. 3) is amended by inserting the following after section 9:

"**9.0.1.** The prohibitions referred to in sections 16 and 17 of the Act respecting threatened or vulnerable species (chapter E-12.01) do not apply to an activity that has been authorized by the Government for a project under subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV or Title I of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2) to the extent that the prohibited activity has been assessed as part of the project authorization process.

The first paragraph does not apply to the following cases if they occur after the authorization referred to in the first paragraph has been issued:

(1) the designation of a plant species as a threatened or vulnerable plant species;

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(2) the designation of the habitat of a threatened or vulnerable plant species.”.

2. This Regulation comes into force on 1 December 2026.

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O.C. 368-2026, 19 March 2026

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects and other provisions

WHEREAS, under section 31.1 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), no person may undertake any construction, work, activity or operation, or carry out work according to a project, in the cases provided for by regulation of the Government without following the environmental impact assessment and review procedure provided for in subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act and obtaining an authorization from the Government;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 31.2 of the Environment Quality Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the proponent of a project referred to in section 31.1 or 31.1.1 of the Environment Quality Act must file a notice of intention with the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks that includes any other document or information prescribed by government regulation;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 31.3 of the Environment Quality Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, within the time determined by government regulation, the Minister must request that the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement announce the beginning of the environmental assessment and organize an information period on the notice of intention provided for in the first paragraph of section 31.2 of the Environment Quality Act in order to gather the public's concerns that could become issues to assess as well as the public's observations on the intended nature, scope and extent of the environmental impact assessment statement;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 31.3.1 of the Environment Quality Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, within the time determined by government regulation, the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement must send the Minister an account of the information period that includes, in particular, a summary of the observations and concerns raised by the public and identifies those whose relevance warrants that they be taken into account in the environmental impact assessment statement;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 31.3.2 of the Environment Quality Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, within the time determined by government regulation, the Minister must send the project proponent a directive determining the nature, scope and extent of the environmental impact assessment statement the proponent must prepare and the time limit for sending the statement to the Minister;

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of section 31.3.4 of the Environment Quality Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, within the time determined by government regulation following the publication of the impact assessment statement and the project proponent's attestation in the environmental assessment register, the Minister must request that the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement organize an information period on the project, as it is presented in the impact statement, to allow the public to make comments, raise concerns and ask questions, while also giving the public the opportunity to obtain answers from the project proponent;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 31.3.4.1 of the Environment Quality Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, within the time determined by government regulation, the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement must send the Minister an account of the information period that includes, in particular, a summary of the observations and concerns raised by the public as well as additional information provided by the project proponent in response to those observations and concerns, if applicable;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Environment Quality Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, a person or a group of persons may, during the information period provided for in the third paragraph of section 31.3.4 of the Environment Quality Act, apply to the Minister, in the manner and form prescribed by government regulation, for a public consultation or mediation to be held on the project;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Environment Quality Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, following analysis of the applications received and within the time fixed by government regulation, the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement must send the Minister its recommendation regarding the relevance of one of the mandates

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referred to in the third paragraph being conferred on the Bureau and, where applicable, regarding the type of mandate.

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 7 of the first paragraph of section 31.4.1 of the Environment Quality Act, the Minister may terminate the procedure provided for in subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act or require the project proponent, on the conditions and within the time the Minister determines, to return to a prior stage in the procedure in the other cases provided for by government regulation;

WHEREAS, under the fifth paragraph of section 31.5.1 of the Act, any financial contribution required as compensation under the first, second or third paragraph of section 31.5.1 of the Act may, on request and within the time and on the conditions determined by government regulation, be reimbursed, in whole or in part, if the actual adverse effects are less than the ones covered by the contribution required, and the request for reimbursement must be accompanied by the information determined by government regulation;

WHEREAS, under the fourth paragraph of section 31.7 of the Act, if the changes or amendments referred to in the first or second paragraph of section 31.7 of the Act are not subject to the environmental impact assessment and review procedure, the authorization holder must provide the documents and information determined by government regulation that are required to assess the acceptability of the amendment application;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 31.7.0.1 of the Act, the holder of an authorization must obtain from the Government an amendment of the authorization if the holder wishes to modify the period of validity of the authorization and must, in support of the application, provide the documents and information determined by government regulation that are required to assess the acceptability of the amendment application;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 31.7.5 of the Environment Quality Act, an authorization issued under subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Environment Quality Act is transferable, in whole or in part; to that end, the authorization holder must first send the Minister a notice of transfer containing the information and documents prescribed by government regulation;

WHEREAS, under subparagraphs *a*, *a*.1, *b*, *b*.1, *c*, *c*.1, *d*, *e* and *f* of the first paragraph of section 31.9 of the Environment Quality Act, amended by section 107 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, the Government may make regulations to:

— determine the classes of construction, works, plans, programs, operations, works or activities to which section 31.1 of the Environment Quality Act applies;

— determine any other information that the notice of intention referred to in section 31.2 must contain;

— determine the parameters of an environmental impact assessment statement with regard, namely, to the impact of a project on nature, on the biophysical milieu, the underwater milieu, human communities, the balance of ecosystems, archaeological sites, heritage property and any other property;

— determine the parameters of an environmental impact assessment statement on the greenhouse gas emissions attributable to a project and any expected climate change risks to and impacts on the project and the milieu in which it will be carried out;

— prescribe the terms governing the information and public consultation relating to any authorization application for some or all classes of projects referred to in section 22, 31.1 or 31.1.1 of the Act, including the publication by the project proponent of notices in newspapers, the form and content of such notices and the time within which persons and groups may submit observations and apply for a public consultation under section 31.3.5 of the Act, or mediation, the duration of an information period, and the time limit for the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement to ensure the conduct of such a period or hold a public hearing, targeted consultation or mediation and make a report;

— prescribe, in addition to the time limits mentioned in subparagraph c of the first paragraph of section 31.9 of the Act, any other time limit applicable to the environmental impact assessment and review procedure for one or more classes of projects subject to that procedure, in particular, the time limits within which the decisions of the Minister or the Government made under subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act must be rendered;

— prescribe how public information periods, public hearings, targeted consultations and mediation held by the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement are to be announced and specify the persons to whom hearing, consultation or mediation reports and impact assessment statements are to be sent;

— define types of impact assessment statements and the terms and conditions of the presentation of impact assessment statements;

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—determine the terms governing the sending of the documents and information required under subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act to the Minister;

WHEREAS, under paragraph 1 of section 46.15 of the Act, the Government may, by regulation, determine the information or documents a person who files an application for registration in the cap-and-trade system, acquires an emission allowance or carries out any other transaction or operation in the system must provide to the Minister;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 7 of the first paragraph of section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, the Minister must keep a register of projects that are subject to the environmental impact assessment and review procedure provided for in subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act in which any other document prescribed by government regulation is made available to the public;

WHEREAS, under section 124.1 of the Act, no provision of a regulation, the coming into force of which is later than 9 November 1978, likely to affect the immovables comprised in a reserved area or in an agricultural zone established in accordance with the Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities (chapter P-41.1) applies to that area or zone unless the regulation provides it expressly;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects and other provisions was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 10 December 2025, with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Acting Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects and other provisions, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects and other provisions

Environment Quality Act
(chapter Q-2, s. 31.1, s. 31.2, 1st par., subpar. 3, s. 31.3, 1st par., s. 31.3.1, 1st par., s. 31.3.2, 1st par., s. 31.3.4, 3rd par., s. 31.3.4.1, 1st par., s. 31.3.5, 1st and 2nd pars., s. 31.4.1, 1st par., subpar. 7, s. 31.5.1, 5th par., s. 31.7, 4th par., s. 31.7.0.1, 1st par., s. 31.7.5, 1st par., s. 31.9, 1st par., subpars. a, a.1, b, b.1, c, c.1, d, e and f, s. 46.15, par. 1, s. 124.1, s. 118.5.0.1, 1st par., subpar. 7, and s. 124.1; 2025, chapter 12, ss. 94, 95, 96 and 107).

Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment
(2025, chapter 12, s. 178, 2nd par.).

REGULATION RESPECTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND REVIEW OF CERTAIN PROJECTS

1. The Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects (chapter Q-2, r. 23.1) is amended by replacing Divisions I to VII, comprising sections 1 to 30, by the following:

"**DIVISION I**
GENERAL

1. In this Regulation, unless the context indicates otherwise,

"Act" means the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2); (*Loi*)

"Bureau" means the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement; (*Bureau*)

"greenhouse gas" means the gases referred to in Schedule A.1 to the Regulation respecting mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere (chapter Q-2, r. 15); (*gaz à effet de serre*)

"Indian reserve" means a reserve within the meaning of the Indian Act (R.S.C. 1985, c. I-5), an Indian settlement, and the Kanesatake interim land base within the meaning of the Kanesatake Interim Land Base Governance Act (S.C. 2001, c. 8); (*réserve indienne*)

"Minister" means the Minister responsible for the administration of the Environment Quality Act; (*ministre*)

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"public register" means the register of environmental assessments created under section 118.5.0.1 of the Environment Quality Act; (*registre public*)

"valued environmental component" means an element of importance to a group of persons, in particular local communities, including Native communities, the scientific community or government authorities, for its ecological, social, economic, health, heritage or cultural importance. (*composante valorisée de l'environnement*)

For the purposes of this Regulation, the territory corresponding to Category IA-N lands within the meaning of the Act respecting the land regime in the James Bay and New Québec territories (chapter R-13.1) is deemed to be an Indian reserve.

2. This Regulation applies to the whole of Québec, except for the territories referred to in sections 133 and 168 of the Act. It applies to immovables situated in a reserved area or in an agricultural zone established under the Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities (chapter P-41.1).

3. Any information or document that must be sent to the Minister under the environmental impact assessment and review procedure provided for in subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act or required under this Regulation must be submitted electronically using the forms, templates, spreadsheets and other data collection tools that meet the requirements, when available on the website of the Ministère.

DIVISION II
PROJECTS SUBJECT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND REVIEW PROCEDURE

4. For the purposes of section 31.1 of the Act, the projects subject to the environmental impact assessment and review procedure provided for in subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act are those listed in Schedule 1, in the cases provided for in that Schedule.

DIVISION III
CONTENT OF THE NOTICE OF INTENTION

5. The notice of intention that a proponent must file with the Minister for a project subject to the environmental impact assessment and review procedure must contain the information and documents provided for in this Division, in addition to those provided for in subparagraphs 1 and 2 of the first paragraph of section 31.2 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12).

6. Every notice of intention must contain the following general information and documents:

(1) the information needed to identify the project proponent and the proponent's representative, including the representative's role if applicable;

(2) the Québec business number assigned to the proponent when registered under the Act respecting the legal publicity of enterprises (chapter P-44.1);

(3) where the project proponent has retained the services of professionals or other competent persons to develop all or part of the project, their names and contact information and a brief description of their mandates;

(4) if the project proponent is not a natural person, a copy of the document authorizing the representative to sign and file the notice of intention;

(5) if the project proponent is a municipality, a certified copy of a resolution of the municipal council or a copy of a by-law authorizing the representative to sign and file the notice of intention;

(6) the project proponent's declaration of antecedents, the contents of which are provided for in the first paragraph of section 43, except if the project proponent is a legal person in the public interest.

7. In addition to the presentation of the general nature of the project referred to in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 31.2 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the notice of intention must include

(1) the rationale for and objectives of the project;

(2) the alternative solutions to the project;

(3) the expected project phases, from planning to closure and, if applicable, post-closure, including a description of the activities that each phase involves;

(4) the maximum expected capacity or scope of the project;

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(5) a summary of the main project implementation variants, among other things with respect to its location and establishment, construction and operating processes and methods, identifying, if applicable, those that have already been rejected;

(6) where applicable, a summary of project-related activities;

(7) the location of the project and project activities, as well as a description of the territory where it will be carried out;

(8) a list of the main anticipated impacts of the project, based on the information available;

(9) a timeline for the implementation of the expected phases of the project from planning to closure;

(10) the activities for informing and consulting the public, including Native communities, that have been completed prior to the filing of the notice of intention and the planning of the project, along with the results of the activities and the manner in which the results have been taken into consideration.

8. For the purposes of paragraph 7 of section 7, the location of the project and project activities, as well as the description of the territory where it will be carried out must include, in particular,

(1) a description of the territory that may be impacted by the project and of the known valued environmental components;

(2) the steps taken, including with Native communities, to determine the location of the project, the activities described in accordance with paragraph 3 of section 7 and the infrastructures, works and buildings connected with those activities;

(3) the legal constraints applicable in the territory described in accordance with paragraph 1, as well as the identification and description of the constraints that influence, limit or prevent land occupation or use and affect the location of the project and project activities, including the land uses resulting from any plan, program or other planning instrument prescribed by law;

(4) if an activity covered by the application is to be carried out in an agricultural zone established under the Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities (chapter P-41.1) and requires authorization from the Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec, mention of that fact;

(5) a georeferenced site plan locating the project within the territory described in accordance with paragraph 1, including

(*a*) a delimitation of all the planned intervention zones showing the location of the variants and components of the project, the valued environmental components described in accordance with paragraph 1 and the elements identified in accordance with paragraph 3;

(*b*) the location of the infrastructures, works and buildings connected with the activities described in accordance with paragraph 3 of section 7.

9. For the purposes of paragraph 8 of section 7, the list of the main anticipated impacts of the project must include, in particular,

(1) the project activities likely to affect the valued environmental components previously described in accordance with paragraph 1 of section 8;

(2) the main anticipated impacts for each phase of the project, including the cumulative impacts;

(3) the exposure of elements of the project and the territory to hazards, including climate hazards;

(4) the main contaminants likely to be emitted during each project phase, including, as regards greenhouse gases, their main emission sources, as well as their sinks and reservoirs;

(5) an appraisal of the ability to avoid or mitigate the main anticipated impacts of the project;

(6) an appraisal of the ability to avoid or mitigate the main risks from the hazards identified in accordance with paragraph 3.

10. In addition to the presentation of the potential issues that will be taken into account when developing the project referred to in subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 31.2 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the notice of intention must include, in particular,

(1) the methodology and sources used to identify and describe those issues;

(2) a structured summary of the issues, specifying for each issue whether the process for its consideration has already been determined or is yet to be determined.

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11. In addition to the intended nature, scope and extent of the impact assessment statement referred to in subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 31.2 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the notice of intention must include, in particular,

(1) the process planned for the drafting of the impact assessment statement for the project, including the manner in which the issues identified in accordance with subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 31.2 of the Act will be assessed and taken into account in the project's development;

(2) a summary outline of the planned impact assessment statement, explaining the proposed structure;

(3) the level of technical detail planned for the description of the environment, the valued environmental components that may be affected by the project, and the project impacts;

(4) the level of technical detail planned for the description of the project activities and components to be dealt with in the environmental impact assessment statement and of the project-related activities that may influence the project's implementation or impacts;

(5) the methodological and analytic approach chosen for the analysis and consideration of the issues identified, project impacts, greenhouse gas emissions, and risks and climate hazards in the project's development and the selection of variants;

(6) the methodological and analytic approach chosen to characterize and delimit the wetlands and bodies of water likely to be affected by the project, including a demonstration that it is appropriate for that environment;

(7) the methodological and analytic approach chosen to avoid the wetlands and bodies of water identified in accordance with paragraph 6, to minimize the impact of the project on them and to identify the measures needed to compensate for the unavoidable residual impacts;

(8) a description of the suggested assessment zones, the reasons explaining their delimitation and a cartographic representation of the zones;

(9) a list of the existing data that will be used to assess the impacts on the environment and, where applicable, the process for updating data;

(10) a list of the assessments, inventories, characterizations, consultations, analysis and modelling completed or to be completed, their respective protocols and their implementation timeline;

(11) the suggested timeline for preparing and filing the impact assessment statement and the reasons for suggesting that timeline.

The proposed content of the impact assessment statement must also cover the terms governing the activities to inform and consult the public planned by the project proponent during the preparation of the environmental impact assessment statement, including those planned with the Native communities concerned, the expected timeline for the consultations and the manner in which the proponent plans to consider the observations and concerns received.

12. The project proponent must, when sending a copy of the notice of intention to a municipality in whose territory the project will be carried out in accordance with the second paragraph of 31.2 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), send another copy to any band council having authority over the territory of an Indian reserve where the project will be carried out. The proponent must inform the Minister that the notice has been sent.

DIVISION IV
INFORMATION PERIOD ON THE NOTICE OF INTENTION

13. For the purposes of the first paragraph of section 31.3 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the time within which the Minister must request that the Bureau announce the beginning of the environmental assessment and organize an information period is 15 days from the date of receipt of the notice of intention.

14. The information period on the notice of intention organized by the Bureau lasts 30 days.

The Bureau announces the beginning of the information period in a notice published on its website and by any other means it considers appropriate in the circumstances.

15. For the purposes of the first paragraph of section 31.3.1 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the time during which the Bureau must send the Minister an account is 25 days from the end of the information period on the notice of intention.

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DIVISION V
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STATEMENT

16. For the purposes of the first paragraph of section 31.3.2 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the time within which the Minister must send the project proponent the directive provided for in that section is 30 days after the end of the information period on the notice of intention.

The Minister may not determine a period of more than 5 years between the date on which the directive is sent and the deadline for filing the environmental impact assessment statement with the Minister.

17. In addition to any other element determined in the directive sent by the Minister, an environmental impact assessment statement must contain the information and documents provided for in this Division.

18. Every environmental impact assessment statement must include the information and general documents provided for in section 6, with the necessary modifications, and indicate any updates to the information and documents since they were sent with the notice of intention.

It must also include a summary outlining in plain language the main elements of the environmental impact assessment statement referred to in section 19 and presenting the statement conclusions.

19. Every environmental impact assessment statement must, in particular to allow analysis of the environmental issues related to the project and the host environment, include

(1) a description of the project, its location and its variants;

(2) an identification of the valued environmental components on which the project may have an impact;

(3) an assessment of the impacts of the project on the valued environmental components;

(4) a presentation of the measures established to avoid, mitigate, compensate and supervise the impacts of the project on the environment and to adapt the project based on the risks identified, along with the mechanisms for monitoring the effectiveness of the measures;

(5) a presentation of the activities to inform and consult the public, including Native communities;

(6) the timeline for carrying out the project.

20. For the purposes of paragraph 1 of section 19, the description of the project, its location and its variants must include, in particular,

(1) a detailed description of the project and its components;

(2) a description of the assessment zone covered by the environmental impact assessment statement, including a georeferenced plan showing, in particular, the host environment, the valued environmental components of that environment and the project components;

(3) a detailed description of the project phases including, where applicable, planning, site layout, the construction of infrastructures, works and buildings, the installation of any devices or apparatus, operation, the termination of activities, site closure, post-closure management and any related activities;

(4) probable scenarios for the evolution of the project over time and their impact on the environment;

(5) the justification for the project and the objectives targeted;

(6) the alternative solutions considered for the project;

(7) a comparative analysis of the variants and the reasons justifying the choice of the variant selected, including a summary assessment of the potential impacts for each of the variants that were not selected;

(8) the legal constraints applicable in the territory described in accordance with paragraph 2, as well as the identification and description of the constraints that influence, limit or prevent land occupation or use and affect the location of the project and project activities, including the land uses resulting from any plan, program or other planning instrument prescribed by law;

(9) if an activity covered by the application is to be conducted in an agricultural zone established under the Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities (chapter P-41.1) and requires authorization from the Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec, mention of that fact.

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21. For the purposes of paragraph 2 of section 19, the identification of the valued environmental components on which the project may have an impact must include, in particular,

(1) a list of the valued environmental components likely to be affected by the project;

(2) a description of the valued environmental components considered during the project's development;

(3) a list of the valued environmental components selected for the impact assessment statement and those that were not selected, with the reasons for the choice;

(4) the assessments and inventories completed, including a list of the data used, the methodological protocols applied and the limitations and uncertainties associated with the process;

(5) a demonstration that the assessments completed are representative of the host environment;

(6) the results of the surveys and inventories and the manner in which they were taken into account in the carrying out of the project.

22. For the purposes of paragraph 3 of section 19, the assessment of the impacts of the project on the valued environmental components must include, in particular,

(1) an assessment of the impacts of the project on the valued environmental components selected for the statement, for each project phase;

(2) an assessment of the project's cumulative impacts on the environment, in particular by reason of its interaction with other existing projects or activities, whether planned or foreseeable, and with natural processes;

(3) an appraisal of current and projected climate risks that will affect the project or its environment and the potential effects of climate change on the components of the environment, for each project phase.

23. For the purposes of paragraph 4 of section 19, the presentation of the measures established to avoid, mitigate, compensate and supervise the impacts of the project on the environment and to adapt the project based on the risks identified, along with the mechanisms for monitoring the effectiveness of the measures must include, in particular,

(1) a detailed description of the measures established to avoid, mitigate and compensate the impacts of the project on the valued environmental components;

(2) a demonstration that the avoidance and mitigation measures for the project's impacts minimize those impacts on the valued environmental components;

(3) a demonstration of the equivalency between the compensation measures proposed and the unavoidable residual impacts they address;

(4) the adaptation measures selected by reason of the potential effects of climate change on the components of the environment and the risks they generate, and on the basis for the analysis of the climate hazards that may affect the project;

(5) a program to supervise and monitor the impacts of the project on the valued environmental components, including performance indicators, information mechanisms and the planned corrective measures;

(6) a preliminary emergency measures plan;

(7) a summary of the avoidance, mitigation, adaptation, compensation, supervision and monitoring measures for the impacts of the project on the valued environmental components.

24. For the purposes of paragraph 5 of section 19, the presentation of the activities to inform and consult the public, including Native communities must include, in particular,

(1) the information and consultation activities conducted in preparing the impact assessment statement;

(2) the concerns and observations expressed during those activities;

(3) the manner in which the concerns and observations have been taken into account in the development of the project and the environmental impact assessment statement;

(4) a public participation plan for the various project phases, including a timeline for the activities planned and the terms governing the informing, consulting and involvement of the public.

25. For the purposes of paragraph 6 of section 19, the timeline for the carrying out of the project must include, in particular,

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(1) the detailed timeline for each project phase showing the periods during which certain activities may not be carried out;

(2) the reasons for the choice of the timeline.

DIVISION VI
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

§1. Admissibility of the environmental assessment

26. If the Minister considers the environmental impact assessment statement admissible, the Minister must inform the project proponent in writing and publish the communication in the public register as soon as possible.

27. As soon as possible after being informed that the environmental impact assessment statement is admissible, the project proponent must send a copy of the summary referred to in the second paragraph of section 18 to every municipality and band council having authority over the area of an Indian reserve where the project will be carried out. The project proponent must inform the Bureau and the Minister that the copies have been sent.

§2. Public information period on the project

28. For the purposes of the third paragraph of section 31.3.4 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the time within which the Minister must request that the Bureau organize an information period on the project is 60 days from the date on which the environmental impact assessment statement is published in the public register.

Where the Minister mandates the Bureau to hold a public hearing in accordance with the fourth paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, the Minister must do so within 60 days from the date on which the environmental impact assessment statement is published in the public register.

29. The information period on the project organized by the Bureau lasts 30 days.

The Bureau must announce the beginning of the information period in a public notice published on its website and by any other means it considers appropriate in the circumstances.

30. The application that a person or a group of persons may make in accordance with the first paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), must include the following information:

(1) the applicant's name and place of residence or, if the applicant is a group of persons, that of their representative;

(2) the name of the project for which the application is made;

(3) the applicant's interest in the project or the environment affected by the project;

(4) the reasons for which the applicant considers that it is pertinent to hold a public consultation or mediation.

31. Within 5 days after the end of the information period on the project, the Minister must send the Bureau a copy of each application made under the first paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), that complies with section 30.

The Minister must publish the applications in the public register within 15 days after the beginning of the public consultation or mediation mandate given to the Bureau by the Minister under the third or fourth paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), or within 90 days after the end of the information period on the project, whichever occurs first.

32. For the purposes of the first paragraph of section 31.3.4.1 of the Act, enacted by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the time during which the Bureau must send the Minister an account is 20 days from the end of the information period on the project.

33. For the purposes of the second paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), the time during which the Bureau must send its recommendation to the Minister is 20 days from the end of the information period on the project. However, the Bureau may not send its recommendation before receiving the applications in accordance with section 31.

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§3. Mandate given to the Bureau

34. The Minister must publish in the public register every mandate for a public hearing, targeted consultation or mediation given to the Bureau under the third or fourth paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), as soon as possible after it is given.

35. The Bureau must announce in a notice published on its website and by any other means it considers appropriate in the circumstances every mandate given to the Bureau by the Minister under the third or fourth paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12).

36. The time available to the Bureau to work on the mandates given to it and report to the Minister, in accordance with section 31.3.7 of the Act, replaced by section 96 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), is

(1) 4 months, for a public hearing;

(2) 3 months, for a targeted consultation;

(3) 2 months, for a mediation.

§4. Recommendation of the Minister

37. The Minister has 9 months, from the date on which the Minister finds the environmental impact assessment statement admissible in accordance with section 31.3.4 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), to make a recommendation to the Government concerning the project.

The time limit set in the first paragraph excludes

(1) any period during which the Minister is awaiting a response from the project proponent following an application made under section 31.4 of the Act;

(2) a period of 2 months following the publication in the public register of a mandate given by the Minister to the Bureau under the third or fourth paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, if the mandate concerns a public hearing or targeted consultation.

(3) any extension of the time limit, granted by the Minister under the fourth paragraph of section 31.9 of the Act, to allow the Bureau to complete a mandate given by the Minister and file a report.

DIVISION VII
REIMBURSEMENT, AMENDMENT AND TRANSFER

38. An application for the reimbursement of all or part of a financial contribution paid as compensation under the first, second or third paragraph of section 31.5.1 of the Act must be filed not more than 2 years after the end of the work covered by the compensation measure required.

The application must include the following information:

(1) an assessment signed by a person referred to in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 46.0.3 of the Act showing that the actual adverse effects are less than those covered by the compensation measure and including a comparison of the expected impacts with those actually caused, along with a georeferenced plan showing the expected and actual adverse effects;

(2) the amount requested as a reimbursement of the compensation, along with the calculation used to establish it.

The reimbursement is made without interest.

39. The documents and information that an authorization holder must provide in accordance with the fourth paragraph of section 31.7 of the Act, to assess the admissibility of the authorization holder's application for an amendment are the following:

(1) the number and date of issue of the authorization to be amended;

(2) the history of the project, including its state of progress;

(3) a description of the amendment requested to the authorized project or the work, constructions, works or other project activities that are incompatible with the authorization for the project;

(4) the reasons for the amendment requested, including a comparison with the project already authorized;

(5) a georeferenced plan showing the modified project components compared to those initially authorized;

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(6) the changes to the biophysical and human host environments for the project since it was authorized, where applicable;

(7) an updated account of the natural environment lost and the associated compensation measures, where applicable;

(8) an update to the following information and documents, taking into account the amendment requested and allowing an assessment of the impacts:

(*a*) an estimate of the contaminant emissions during each project phase;

(*b*) the information and documents provided for in paragraphs 8 to 11 of section 20;

(*c*) the assessments and inventories provided for in paragraph 4 of section 21, based on the most recent scientific requirements;

(*d*) the information and documents provided for in sections 22 to 24;

(*e*) any other information in the environmental impact assessment statement submitted to the Minister for the project as authorized.

If information based on estimated data has been submitted to the Minister by the authorization holder, the authorization holder must submit the most recent actual data for that information collected during the carrying out of the project covered by the application for an amendment to the authorization.

40. The documents and information the authorization holder must provide in accordance with the first paragraph of section 31.7.0.1 of the Act in order to assess the admissibility of the authorization holder's application to modify the period of validity are as follows:

(1) the number and date of issue of the authorization to be amended;

(2) the modification of the period of validity requested;

(3) the history of the project, including its state of progress;

(4) the reason for the modification of the period of validity requested;

(5) an update to the timeline for carrying out the project;

(6) the changes to the biophysical and human host environments for the project since it was authorized, where applicable;

(7) an updated account of the natural environment lost and the associated compensation measures, where applicable;

(8) an update to the following information and documents, taking into account the modification requested and allowing an assessment of the impacts:

(*a*) an estimate of the contaminant emissions during each project phase;

(*b*) the information provided for in sections 19 to 25;

(*c*) any other information in the environmental impact assessment statement submitted to the Minister for the project as authorized.

If information based on estimated data has been submitted to the Minister by the authorization holder, the authorization holder must submit the most recent actual data for that information collected during the carrying out of the project covered by the application for the modification of the period of validity of the authorization.

41. The notice of transfer provided for in section 31.7.5 of the Act must contain the following information and documents:

(1) the number and date of issue of the authorization the holder wishes to transfer in whole or in part;

(2) the name of each transferee and the information needed to identify that transferee;

(3) the declaration of antecedents of each transferee, with the contents provided for in section 43, except if the transferee is a legal person in the public interest;

(4) where applicable, an attestation by the transferee that the transferee holds the security or liability insurance required for the carrying out of the project covered by the authorization;

(5) an attestation of the authorization holder and every transferee that all the information and documents provided are complete and accurate;

(6) in the case of a partial transfer, the identification of the activities for which the authorization is partially transferred, including the conditions, restrictions and prohibitions that apply, and of the transferee responsible for that part of the project following the transfer.

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DIVISION VIII
PUBLIC REGISTER

42. The public register must contain, in addition to the information and documents listed in section 118.5.0.1 of the Act, the following documents and information:

(1) the written communication sent by the Minister to the project proponent in accordance with section 26;

(2) the applications for a public consultation or mediation filed with the Minister under the first paragraph of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12);

(3) the mandates given to the Bureau by the Minister under the third and fourth paragraphs of section 31.3.5 of the Act, amended by section 95 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment;

(4) the environmental analysis reports produced by the Minister in support of the Minister's recommendation under sections 31.7 or 31.7.0.1 of the Act;

(5) the notices sent to the Minister by a government department or body as part of the assessment and review procedure for project impacts;

(6) the decisions made by the Minister under section 31.4.1 of the Act;

(7) the answers and comments submitted by the proponent of a project in response to the questions and concerns raised by a Native community, if considered non-confidential by that community;

(8) the information and documents made public under a mandate given to the Bureau under section 31.3.5 of the Act, as well as the resulting reports by the Bureau.

DIVISION IX
DECLARATION OF ANTECEDENTS

43. Every declaration of antecedents must include the following information:

(1) the information needed to identify the project proponent, authorization holder or transferee and, where applicable, their representative;

(2) a description of any situation referred to in subparagraphs 1 to 3 and subparagraph 10 of the first paragraph of section 32 and sections 33 and 34 of the Act respecting certain measures enabling the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation (chapter M-11.6) that applies to the project proponent, authorization holder or transferee or, in the case of a legal person, one of its directors, officers or shareholders within the meaning of the Act, along with the information needed to identify them;

(3) a declaration by the project proponent, authorization holder or transferee attesting that the information and documents provided are accurate and complete.

The declaration must be updated by the person who produced it and filed with the Minister as soon as possible after

(1) a change occurs in the situation previously declared in accordance with subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph;

(2) a new situation arises to which subparagraphs 1 to 3 and subparagraph 10 of the first paragraph of section 32 and sections 33 and 34 of the Act respecting certain measures enabling the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation apply.".

2. Schedules 2 and 3 are struck out.

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

3. For the purposes of the second paragraph of section 31.1.1 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), until the date of coming into force of section 118.5 of that Act, replaced by section 188 of the Act to amend the Environment Quality Act to modernize the environmental authorization scheme and to amend other legislative provisions, in particular to reform the governance of the Green Fund (2017, chapter 4) and amended by section 137 of the Act mainly to reinforce the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation, to ensure the responsible management of pesticides and to implement certain measures of the 2030 Plan for a Green Economy concerning zero emission vehicles (2022, chapter 8), the Minister must inform the applicant of an intention to recommend that the Government make a project subject to the environmental impact assessment and review procedure within 3 months after confirmation by the Minister that the applicant's application for authorization under section 22 of the Environment Quality Act is admissible.

4. A project proponent who, before 30 November 2026, has filed a project notice with the Minister in accordance with section 31.2 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), as it reads on that date, but has not yet received the Minister's directive on 1 December 2026, must file a notice of intention with the Minister in accordance

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with section 31.2 of the Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12), for the project to be assessed.

No fee is payable for the new notice.

5. A project proponent who, on 30 November 2026, has been sent a directive by the Minister concerning the proponent's project in accordance with section 31.3 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), as it reads on that date, but who, on 1 December 2026, has not yet filed an environmental impact assessment statement, must send the Minister the environmental impact assessment statement not later than 1 September 2027, failing which the environmental impact assessment and review procedure for the project is terminated.

Section 7 of this Regulation applies to the processing of that environmental impact assessment statement with the necessary modifications.

6. Despite section 5, the project proponent may instead send the Minister an update to the project notice including the information and documents provided for in Division III of the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects (chapter Q-2, r. 23.1), replaced by section 1 of this Regulation, that were not addressed in the initial project notice. In that case, the project proponent must notify the Minister in writing of the project proponent's intention not later than 1 September 2027, failing which the environmental impact assessment and review procedure for the project is terminated.

The update must be sent to the Minister not later than 1 June 2028, failing which the environmental impact assessment and review procedure for the project is terminated.

No fee is payable for the update.

As soon as possible after receipt, the Minister must publish the notice and the update in the register of environmental assessments created under section 118.5.0.1 of the Environment Quality Act (Chapter Q-2).

Sections 16 to 43 of the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects, enacted by section 1 of this Regulation, then apply, subject to the fact that the directive must be updated to take into account the update to the project notice, within 90 days from the publication of the latter update in the register.

7. The Minister must send written notice to every project proponent whose environmental impact assessment statement received before 1 December 2026 the Minister considers admissible but has not yet informed the project proponent thereof.

As soon as possible, the Minister publishes the notice in the register of environmental assessments created under section 118.5.0.1 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2) and asks the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement to announce the beginning of the environmental assessment and organize an information period on the project in accordance with the third paragraph of section 31.3.4 of the Environment Quality Act, replaced by section 94 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (2025, chapter 12). Sections 29 to 43 of the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects, (chapter Q-2, r. 23.1), enacted by section 1 of this Regulation, apply in such a case, except the first paragraph of section 37 of the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects, which is replaced by the first or second paragraph, as the case may be, of section 19 of the Regulation, as it reads on 30 November 2026. Sections 12 and 13 of the Regulation, as they read on that date, apply with the necessary modifications.

If the Minister considers that the environmental impact assessment statement does not satisfactorily deal with the subjects it is required to address, or does not satisfactorily take into account the observations and issues raised at the consultation provided for in section 31.3.1 of the Act, as it reads on 30 November 2026, the Minister submits observations to the project proponent and indicates the questions the project proponent must answer, within the time and on the conditions set by the Minister, in the environmental impact assessment statement in order for it to be admissible.

If the Minister then considers the environmental impact assessment statement admissible, the first and second paragraphs of this section apply. If the Minister considers the environmental impact assessment statement inadmissible, the Minister may terminate the environmental assessment and review procedure or require the project proponent to return to a prior stage in accordance with section 31.4.1 of the Environment Quality Act, enacted by section 98 of the Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment.

8. Despite the first paragraph of section 37 of the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects (chapter Q-2, r. 23.1),

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enacted by section 1 of this Regulation, the time limit within which the Minister must make a recommendation to the Government in respect of a project for which the environmental impact assessment statement was submitted to the Minister before 23 March 2018 is established in accordance with section 16.1 of the Regulation respecting environmental impact assessment and review (chapter Q-2, r. 23), as it reads on 22 March 2018, and the time limit for a project for which the environmental impact assessment statement the Minister considers admissible not later than 1 December 2026 is established in accordance with either the first or the second paragraph of section 19 of the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects, as it reads on 30 November 2026.

9. Despite the coming into force of this Regulation, the references to the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects (chapter Q-2, r. 23.1) in the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review applicable to a part of the northeastern Québec region (chapter Q-2, r. 24) are references to the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects, as it reads on 30 November 2026.

OTHER AMENDING PROVISIONS

10. Section 37 of the Regulation respecting the regulatory scheme applying to activities on the basis of their environmental impact (chapter Q-2, r. 17.1) is amended by striking out "or 31.7.5" in the part preceding paragraph 1.

11. Section 7 of the Regulation respecting a cap-and-trade system for greenhouse gas emission allowances (chapter Q-2, r. 46.1) is amended by replacing "31.1" in subparagraph a of subparagraph 4.2 of the first paragraph by "31.3.2".

12. Section 7.2 of the said Regulation is amended by replacing "31.3" in subparagraph 1 of the third paragraph by "31.3.2".

FINAL PROVISION

13. This Regulation comes into force on 1 December 2026.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 369-2026, 19 March 2026

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting wildlife habitats

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 1 of the second paragraph of section 128.6 of the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (chapter C-61.1), the prohibition, in respect of a wildlife habitat, to carry on an activity that may alter any biological, physical or chemical component peculiar to the habitat does not apply to an activity exempted by regulation;

WHEREAS, under paragraph 2 of section 128.18 of the Act, the Government may, by regulation, designate activities which, while they may alter a biological, chemical or physical component of a wildlife habitat, do not require any authorization and, as the case may be, prescribe the applicable standards or conditions of management, which may vary according to the kind of activity, the class or location of the wildlife habitat, the season, the physical features or according to whether the habitat is located on public or private land;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting wildlife habitats was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 10 December 2025, with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Acting Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting wildlife habitats, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting wildlife habitats

Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife
(chapter C-61.1, s. 128.6, 2nd par., subpar. 1, and s. 128.18, par. 2).

1. The Regulation respecting wildlife habitats (chapter C-61.1, r. 18) is amended in section 47 by replacing "requiring authorization issued" and "section 31.1" by "that has been authorized" and "subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV or Title I", respectively.

2. This Regulation comes into force on 1 December 2026.

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M.O., 2026

Order 2026-5526 of the Minister of Justice dated 19 February 2026

Code of Civil Procedure
(chapter C-25.01)

Districts in which mediation is mandatory and those in which arbitration is offered to the parties at the Small Claims Division of the Court of Québec

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE,

CONSIDERING article 570 of the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25.01), as amended by section 11 of the Act to follow up on the Table Justice-Québec with a view to reducing processing times in criminal and penal matters and to make the administration of justice more efficient (2024, c. 7), which provides that the Minister of Justice determines, by order published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, the districts in which mediation is mandatory and those in which arbitration is offered to the parties at the Small Claims Division of the Court of Québec;

CONSIDERING section 42 of the Act to follow up on the Table Justice-Québec with a view to reducing processing times in criminal and penal matters and to make the administration of justice more efficient (2024, c. 7), which provides that mediation is mandatory and that arbitration is offered to the parties in the judicial districts of Laval, Longueuil, Québec, Richelieu and Saint-Hyacinthe, at the Small Claims Division of the Court of Québec;

CONSIDERING Ministerial Orders 2024-5213, 2024-5220, 2024-5273, 2024-5274, 2024-5316, 2025-5332, 2025–5347, 2025-5355, 2025-5356, 2025-5357, 2025-5376, 2025-5377, 2025-5378, 2025-5399, 2025-5400, 2025-5401, 2025-5402, 2025-5403, 2025-5409, 2025-5410, 2025-5411, 2025-5412, 2025-5457, 2025-5458, 2025-5475, 2025-5476, 2026-5515, 2026-5516, 2026-5517 and 2026-5518 of the Minister of Justice made under article 570 of the Code of Civil Procedure, which respectively provide that mediation is mandatory and that arbitration is offered to the parties in the judicial districts of Beauce, Iberville, Rimouski, Kamouraska, Montmagny, Drummond, Arthabaska, Rouyn-Noranda, Témiscamingue, Abitibi, Gaspé, Bonaventure, Charlevoix, Baie-Comeau, Mingan, Alma, Chicoutimi, Roberval, Bedford, Frontenac, Mégantic, Saint-François, Beauharnois, Montréal, Gatineau, Pontiac, Saint-Maurice, Joliette, Terrebonne and Labelle at the Small Claims Division of the Court of Québec;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to determine another judicial district in which mediation is mandatory and in which arbitration is offered to the parties pursuant to article 570 of the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25.01);

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT mediation be mandatory and that arbitration be offered to the parties in the judicial district of Trois-Rivières as of 11 March 2026.

Québec, 19 February 2026

SIMON JOLIN-BARRETTE
Minister of Justice

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Order 2025-5495 of the Minister of Justice dated November 18, 2015

Act to create a court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence
(2021, chapter 32)

Judicial districts in which the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is to be gradually established

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE,

CONSIDERING subparagraph 2 of the second paragraph of section 83.0.1 of the Courts of Justice Act (chapter T-16), introduced by the Act to create a court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence (2021, c. 32), which provides that for the purposes of establishing the specialized court, the Minister of Justice may, by order and after consulting the Court of Québec and the other partners from the justice system that the Minister considers appropriate, determine the judicial districts in which the court is to be gradually established and, as a result, where the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to gradually determine the judicial districts in which the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is to be established and, as a result, the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit

CONSIDERING that the Court of Québec and the following partners have been consulted:

— Réseau des Centres d'aide aux victimes d'actes criminels;

— Regroupement québécois des centres d'aide et de lutte contre les agressions à caractère sexuel;

— Barreau du Québec;

— Associations des avocats de la défense;

— Regroupement des maisons pour femmes victimes de violence conjugale;

— Fédération des maisons d'hébergement pour femmes;

— Alliance des maisons d'hébergement de 2e étape pour femmes et enfants victimes de violence conjugale;

— Association à cœur d'homme - Réseau d'aide aux hommes pour une société sans violence;

— Concertation des luttes contre l'exploitation sexuelle;

— Association des services de réhabilitation sociale du Québec;

— Femmes Autochtones du Québec;

— Regroupement des organismes québécois pour les hommes agressés sexuellement;

— Regroupement des intervenants en matière d'agression sexuelle;

— Association québécoise Plaidoyer-Victimes;

— Ministère de la Sécurité publique;

— Commission des services juridiques;

— Directeur des poursuites criminelles et pénales;

— Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux;

— Secrétariat à la condition féminine;

— Secrétariat aux relations avec les Premières Nations et les Inuit.

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

As of 18th of November 2025, the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is established in the district of Joliette and, as a result, the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit in that district.

Quebec, November 18, 2025

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Minister of Justice

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Order 2025-5494 of the Minister of Justice dated October 31, 2025

Act to create a court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence
(2021, chapter 32)

Judicial districts in which the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is to be gradually established

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE,

CONSIDERING subparagraph 2 of the second paragraph of section 83.0.1 of the Courts of Justice Act (chapter T-16), introduced by the Act to create a court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence (2021, c. 32), which provides that for the purposes of establishing the specialized court, the Minister of Justice may, by order and after consulting the Court of Québec and the other partners from the justice system that the Minister considers appropriate, determine the judicial districts in which the court is to be gradually established and, as a result, where the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to gradually determine the judicial districts in which the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is to be established and, as a result, the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit

CONSIDERING that the Court of Québec and the following partners have been consulted:

— Réseau des Centres d'aide aux victimes d'actes criminels;

— Regroupement québécois des centres d'aide et de lutte contre les agressions à caractère sexuel;

— Barreau du Québec;

— Associations des avocats de la défense;

— Regroupement des maisons pour femmes victimes de violence conjugale;

— Fédération des maisons d'hébergement pour femmes;

— Alliance des maisons d'hébergement de 2e étape pour femmes et enfants victimes de violence conjugale;

— Association à cœur d'homme - Réseau d'aide aux hommes pour une société sans violence;

— Concertation des luttes contre l'exploitation sexuelle;

— Association des services de réhabilitation sociale du Québec;

— Femmes Autochtones du Québec;

— Regroupement des organismes québécois pour les hommes agressés sexuellement;

— Regroupement des intervenants en matière d'agression sexuelle;

— Association québécoise Plaidoyer-Victimes;

— Ministère de la Sécurité publique;

— Commission des services juridiques;

— Directeur des poursuites criminelles et pénales;

— Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux;

— Secrétariat à la condition féminine;

— Secrétariat aux relations avec les Premières Nations et les Inuit.

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS :

As of 31st of October 2025, the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is established in the district of Montreal and, as a result, the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit in that district.

Quebec, October 31, 2025

SIMON JOLIN-BARRETTE
Minister of Justice

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Notice

Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities
(chapter P-41.1)

Presentation and processing of an application for authorization to acquire farm land
— Making

Notice is hereby given that the Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec made the Rules relating to the presentation and processing of an application for authorization to acquire farm land, appearing below, at its sitting of February 18, 2026.

The draft Rules relate to the presentation and processing of an application for authorization to acquire farm land made under section 79.0.6 of the Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities (chapter P-41.1).

In accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (CQLR, c. R-18.1), the draft Rules were published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of July 30, 2025 with a notice that they could be made by the Commission on the expiry of 45 days following that publication.

JEAN NOBERT
President, Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec

Rules relating to the presentation and processing of an application for authorization to acquire farm land

Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities
(chapter P-41.1, s. 19.1, pars. 2 and 3).

DIVISION I
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ACQUIRE FARM LAND

1. In accordance with section 79.0.6 of the Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities (chapter P-41.1), anyone wishing to submit an application for authorization to acquire farm land must forward the following documents to the Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec, for examination:

(*a*) the form described in section 2 duly completed and, where applicable, a copy of the signed promise of purchase;

(*b*) a dated and signed scale plan, indicating the scale used, the cardinal points, the numbers of the lots referred to in the application, the area and the measurement of each side of the sites in question, the area and location of each lot belonging to the owner of the lots in question that is contiguous or deemed contiguous under the Act to each of the lots in question, the location of the buildings erected on the lots in question and the use of the lots contiguous to those lots; and

(*c*) the incorporating document of the legal person, where applicable.

DIVISION II
FORM

2. Any application for authorization to acquire farm land must be made on a form containing the following information:

(*a*) in the case of a natural person: his or her surname, first name, address of domicile, email address, job or occupation and telephone number and, if applicable, his or her mandatary's name, address, telephone and fax numbers and email address;

(*b*) in the case of an applicant other than a natural person:

i. the name of the applicant, its Québec enterprise number, its sector of activity, where it was constituted and the Act that governs it;

ii. the address of its domicile and, where applicable, of its business establishment in Québec and the telephone number and email address of the said domicile and establishment;

iii. the surname and first name, telephone and fax numbers and email address of its authorized representative and, if applicable, its mandatary;

(*c*) a summary description of the farm land referred to in the application and the contiguous lots belonging to the same owner, namely, the lot number and the municipality in which the said lots are located and the name and address of the owner;

(*d*) the area in hectares of the farm land acquired within the meaning of the Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities, and the area of the lots kept by the owner;

(*e*) the present and future uses of the farm land and the areas devoted to those uses;

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(*f*) a description of any permanent structure and facility existing on the farm land, including any house and building;

(*g*) a description of the farm equipment and the agricultural production, the production costs, the livestock, the quotas and the farm's revenues, where applicable;

(*h*) the year in which the owner acquired the farm land and the price of acquisition;

(*i*) the acquisition cost agreed to, distinguishing, where applicable, the prices for the land, the buildings and the equipment, and other property acquired;

(*j*) the list of farm lands owned by the applicant and the persons related to the applicant; and

(*k*) the resident status within the meaning of the Act respecting the acquisition of farm land by non-residents (chapter A-4.1).

DIVISION III
COMING INTO FORCE

3. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Draft Regulation

Civil Code of Québec
(Civil Code)

Keeping and publication of the register of civil status — 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 keeping and publication of the register of civil status, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation determines the additional particulars that must appear on attestations of birth and death as well as on declarations of birth, marriage, civil union and death.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Andréanne Casavant, strategic advisor, Direction de l'expertise et des activités juridictionnelles, Directeur de l'état civil, Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité sociale, 2535, boulevard Laurier, 3e étage, Québec (Québec) G1V 5C5; telephone: 418 643-1447, extension 82513: email: andreanne.casavant@dec.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Minister of Employment, 425, rue Jacques-Parizeau, 4e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4Z1; email: ministre@mess.gouv.qc.ca.

PASCALE DÉRY
Minister of Employment

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the keeping and publication of the register of civil status

Civil Code of Québec
(Civil Code, a. 151, par. 3).

1. The Regulation respecting the keeping and publication of the register of civil status (chapter CCQ, r. 11) is amended in section 1 by inserting "or midwife" after "physician" in paragraph 3.

2. Section 2 is amended by inserting "or nurse" after "physician" in paragraph 2.

3. Division II is amended by inserting ", CIVIL UNION" after "MARRIAGE" in the heading.

4. Section 3 is replaced by the following:

"**3.** A declaration of birth shall state, in addition to the information required by articles 110, 115 and 116 of the Civil Code, the dates of birth of the child's father and mother.

Where, pursuant to article 114 of the Civil Code, one of the married or civil union spouses declares the filiation of the child with regard to the other spouse, the declaration of birth shall also state the date of their marriage or civil union.".

5. Section 4 is amended

(1) in the portion before paragraph 1,

(*a*) by inserting "or civil union" after "marriage";

(*b*) by replacing "and 120"by ", 120 and 121.2";

(2) by replacing paragraph 1 by the following:

"(1) the marital status of each of the married or civil union spouses before the marriage or civil union and, where applicable, the date of dissolution of the previous marriage or civil union;";

(3) by striking out paragraph 2.

6. Section 5 is replaced by the following:

"**5.** A declaration of death shall state, in addition to the information required by articles 110 and 126 of the Civil Code, the marital status of the deceased.".

7. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, except sections 2 and 4, paragraph 3 of section 5, and section 6, which come into force on 30 April 2027.

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Draft Regulation

Public Administration Act
(chapter A-6.01)

Promise and awarding of grants
— 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 promise and awarding of grants, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation proposes increasing the monetary thresholds over which government departments and budget-funded bodies must obtain the authorization of the Government or the Conseil du trésor, as applicable, for the awarding or promise of a grant.

The draft Regulation also proposes amending the monetary threshold over which authorization of the Government or the Conseil du trésor is required in the case of the awarding or promise of certain grants to carry out construction work so that it henceforth corresponds to the lowest minimum monetary threshold from among those provided for in any intergovernmental agreement and that are applicable to departments and budget-funded bodies for construction work contracts.

Lastly, the draft Regulation proposes that the budgetary programs, that is, the budgetary control process established by the Conseil du trésor with respect to government departments and budget-funded bodies no longer be taken into account for the purposes of the Regulation respecting the promise and awarding of grants (chapter A-6.01, r. 1).

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Marie-Claude Canuel, assistant secretary, programs, sous-secrétariat aux politiques budgétaires et aux programmes, Secrétariat du Conseil du trésor, 875, Grande Allée Est, 2e étage, secteur 100, Québec (Québec) G1R 5R8; telephone: 418-643-0875, extension 4540; email: marie-claude.canuel@sct.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Marie-Claude Canuel at the above contact information.

FRANCE-ÉLAINE DURANCEAU
Minister Responsible for Government Administration and State Efficiency and Chair of the Conseil du trésor

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the promise and awarding of grants

Public Administration Act
(chapter A-6.01, s. 57, 1st par.).

1. The Regulation respecting the promise and awarding of grants (chapter A-6.01, r. 6) is amended in section 1 by replacing "and bodies of the Government" by "and budget-funded bodies".

2. Section 2 is revoked.

3. Section 3 is amended

(1) by replacing "the prior approval" in the portion before paragraph *a* by "authorization";

(2) by replacing "of the Government" and "$1,000,000" in paragraph *a* by "to the Government" and "$3,000,000", respectively;

(3) by replacing "is less than $1,000,000 but greater than $50,000" in paragraph *b* by "is less than $3,000,000 but greater than $100,000".

4. Section 4 is amended

(1) in the first paragraph

(*a*) by replacing "l'approbation" in the portion before subparagraph *a* in the French text by "l'autorisation";

(*b*) by striking out ", and where it does not exceed the unappropriated balance of the amount of the account of the budgetary program to which it is charged" in subparagraph *b*;

(2) in the second paragraph

(*a*) by replacing "approved" in the portion before subparagraph *a* by "authorized";

(*b*) by replacing "100 000 $ et plus" in subparagraph *a* of the French text by "plus de 100 000 $";

(*c*) by replacing subparagraph *c* by the following:

"(*c*) where a grant, intended for the carrying out of construction work involving an expenditure equal to or greater than the lowest minimum threshold from among those provided for in any intergovernmental agreements and that are applicable to departments and budget-funded

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bodies for construction work contracts, is awarded or promised, except to a public body within the meaning of section 4 of the Act respecting contracting by public bodies (chapter C-65.1), and where the standards approved do not include the obligation to make a public call for tenders for awarding the contract, unless the standards expressly provide that the obligation to make a public call for tenders does not apply.".

5. Section 5 is amended by replacing "approval" by "authorization".

6. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Notice concerning the 2025 amendments made to the List of Medications attached to the Regulation respecting the List of medications covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan

An Act respecting prescription drug insurance
(chapter A-29.01)

In accordance with section 60.3 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance, the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec hereby gives notice of the amendments made, during the 2025 calendar year, to the List of Medications attached to the Regulation respecting the List of medications covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan, made by Order 2007-005, dated 1 June 2007, of the Minister of Health and Social Services.

List of Medications covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan

Website: https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/about-us/list-medications

Amendments	Date of coming into force	Date of publication
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	3 January 2025	24 January 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	23 January 2025	7 February 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	5 February 2025	3 February 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	19 February 2025	17 March 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	20 February 2025	10 March 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	25 February 2025	12 March 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	3 March 2025	17 March 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	6 March 2025	4 March 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	6 March 2025	21 March 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	7 March 2025	21 March 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	17 March 2025	24 April 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	21 March 2025	2 April 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	1 April 2025	24 April 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	10 April 2025	8 April 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	10 April 2025	16 April 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	16 April 2025	29 August 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	22 April 2025	29 August 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	15 May 2025	30 May 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	22 May 2025	20 May 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	22 May 2025	21 August 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	28 May 2025	27 June 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	9 June 2025	27 June 2025

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Amendments	Date of coming into force	Date of publication
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	10 June 2025	26 June 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	20 June 2025	14 July 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	25 June 2025	14 July 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	25 June 2025	31 July 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	2 July 2025	30 June 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	2 July 2025	21 August 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	14 July 2025	30 July 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	16 July 2025	29 July 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	21 July 2025	31 July 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	24 July 2025	12 August 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	11 August 2025	21 August 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	14 August 2025	12 August 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	14 August 2025	26 August 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	15 August 2025	25 August 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	10 September 2025	19 September 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	10 September 2025	14 October 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	25 September 2025	23 September 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	25 September 2025	1 October 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	25 September 2025	14 October 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	25 September 2025	8 October 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	6 October 2025	14 October 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	6 October 2025	17 October 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	14 October 2025	31 October 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	30 October 2025	25 November 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	6 November 2025	4 November 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	6 November 2025	7 November 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	14 November 2025	1 December 2025
Alternative medication authorization pursuant to section 60.1	26 November 2025	10 December 2025
New List (replacement of APPENDIX I)	11 December 2025	9 December 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	11 December 2025	10 December 2025
Correction pursuant to section 60.2	11 December 2025	19 December 2025

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MÉLANIE PARADIS, *Acting Secretary General of the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec*

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Notice concerning the 2025 amendments made to the Regulations established under the first paragraph of section 72.1 of the Health Insurance Act

Health Insurance Act
(chapter A-29, s. 72.1)

In accordance with the third paragraph of section 72.1 of the Health Insurance Act, the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec hereby gives notice of the amendments made, in the 2025 calendar year, to the regulations made under the first paragraph of that section, which amendments were published on the website of the Régie.

Tariff for insured devices which compensate for a motor deficiency and related services (A-29, r. 9)

Website: https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/about-us/tariff-insured-devices-which-compensate-a-motor-deficiency-related-services

Replacements or amendments	Date of coming into force	Date of publication
Amendments to the schedule to the Regulation (tariff)	1 July 2025	25 June 2025

Tariff for insured hearing aids and related services (A-29, r. 8)

Website: https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/about-us/tariff-hearing-aids

Replacements or amendments	Date of coming into force	Date of publication
Amendments to the schedule to the Regulation (tariff)	1 July 2025	25 June 2025
Amendments to the schedule to the Regulation (tariff)	21 May 2025	21 May 2025
Amendments to the schedule to the Regulation (tariff)	1 May 2025	14 April 2025

Tariff for insured visual aids and related services (A-29, r. 8.1)

Website: https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/about-us/tariff-visual-aids

Replacements or amendments	Date of coming into force	Date of publication
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