

Draft Regulation

An Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan
(R.S.Q., c. R-9; 1996, c. 15)

Benefits**— Amendment**

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting benefits, the text of which appears below, may be approved by the Government upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

Section 102.4.1, introduced by the Act to amend the Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan (1996, c. 15), provides that the Régie des rentes may annul a partition of earnings already effected where the partition reduces the benefits of both former spouses or, if only one former spouse is a beneficiary of benefits, where the partition reduces his benefits without causing the other former spouse to receive immediate benefits therefrom. The section provides that an application for annulment should be made within the time fixed by regulation. The draft regulation submitted proposes to fix such time at 90 days.

The proposed provision will favour former spouses who are beneficiaries of benefits at the time of the partition of pensionable earnings. The draft regulation does not have any effect on the public or on businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Luce Gobeil, lawyer, Régie des rentes du Québec, Place de la Cité, 2600, boulevard Laurier, Sainte-Foy (Québec), G1V 4T3 (tel.: (418) 644-7453, fax: (418) 643-9590).

Any person having comments to make on the matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period following this publication, to Mr. Claude Legault, President and General Manager of the Régie des rentes du Québec, Place de la Cité, 2600, boulevard Laurier, 5^e étage, Sainte-Foy (Québec), G1V 4T3. Comments will be forwarded to the Minister of Income Security, who is responsible for the administration of the Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan under which the Regulation is made.

LOUISE HAREL,
Minister of Income Security

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting benefits

An Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan
(R.S.Q., c. R-9, ss. 102.4.1 and 219, par. c.1; 1996, c. 15, ss. 3 and 5)

1. The Regulation respecting benefits, made by Order in Council 967-94 dated 22 June 1994, is amended by inserting the following after section 22:

“**22.1** The time within which an application may be presented, in accordance with section 102.4.1 of the Act, for the annulment of a partition already effected shall be 90 days from the notice of partition mentioned in section 102.7.1 of the Act.”.

2. 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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Highway Safety Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-24.2)

Traffic control devices**— Amendments**

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation entitled “Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting traffic control devices”, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Minister upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to allow the use of new products in the making of road signs and signal arrows. It is also intended to better define the colours used on signs.

To that end, it proposes to add tables which describe accurately the chromatic features, standardized throughout North America, of the colours used on signs, as well as the retroreflection coefficient of the various films that may be applied on signs in order to ensure visibility in all circumstances and to reduce manufacturing costs. Furthermore, it eliminates the constraints on the features of the lights used in signal arrows in order to allow the use of new technology already available on the market.

To date, study of the matter has revealed no negative impact on the public, on businesses and particularly on small and medium-sized businesses.