Gouvernement du Québec

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Public Buildings Safety Act (R.S.Q., c. S-3)

Elevators and lifts for persons with physical disabilities — Safety Code

Regulation respecting the application of a safety code for elevators and a standard for lifts for persons with physical disabilities

WHEREAS section 39 of the Public Buildings Safety Act (R.S.Q., c. S-3) provides that the Government may, by regulation, make prescriptions applying to public buildings relating to precautions to be taken in respect of elevators and their safety appliances;

WHEREAS the Regulation respecting elevators, escalators, dumbwaiters, moving walks, freight platform lifts and elevating devices for disabled persons was made by Order in Council 1009-88 dated 22 June 1988;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make a new regulation, entitled Regulation respecting the application of a safety code for elevators and a standard for lifts for persons with physical disabilities, in particular for the purposes of

— updating the requirements for such apparatuses and taking into account technological changes;

— recognizing that elevators and related apparatuses installed in accordance with the 1990 edition of the Safety Code for Elevators and its 1992 Supplement (No. 1), where applicable, comply with the requirements of the new regulation;

— introducing more appropriate rules to govern the installation of new apparatuses; and

- insuring better application of the Act;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), the draft of the Regulation respecting the application of a safety code for elevators and a standard for lifts for persons with physical disabilities was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 14 February 1996 with a notice that it could be submitted for approval by the Government at the expiry of 45 days following that publication; WHEREAS the comments received have been evaluated;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve the Draft Regulation with amendments, as it appears attached to this Order in Council;

WHEREAS section 39 of the Public Buildings Safety Act provides that every regulation relating to an institution within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2) or within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services for Cree Native persons (R.S.Q., c. S-5) shall be made on the joint recommendation of the Minister and the Minister of Health and Social Services;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Labour and the Minister of Health and Social Services:

THAT the Regulation respecting the application of a safety code for elevators and a standard for lifts for persons with physical disabilities, attached hereto, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif,

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