**"39.** Québec-Acadie scholarships are granted to Acadian students who wish to undertake or pursue master's or doctoral research studies at a French-language university in Québec.

In addition to renewed scholarships, four additional master's or doctoral research scholarships shall be granted each year. The maximum amount of a master's research scholarship is \$11 000 and that of a doctoral research scholarship is \$13 000 for a 12-month academic year.".

**44.** The following is substituted for section 40:

**"40.** Within his eligibility period of 24 months at the master's level or 36 months at the doctoral level, a scholarship holder may receive up to 6 instalments of a master's scholarship or up to 9 instalments of a doctoral scholarship. Each instalment shall correspond to one-third of the annual amount of the scholarship and shall cover a 4-month period of full-time study.".

**45.** The following is substituted for section 41:

**"41.** Scholarships are granted to francophones from Western Canada who wish to undertake or pursue master's or doctoral research studies at a French-language university in Québec.

In addition to renewed scholarships, two additional master's or doctoral research scholarships shall be granted each year.

The maximum amount of a master's research scholarship is \$11 000 and that of a doctoral research scholarship is \$13 000 for a 12-month academic year.".

**46.** The following is substituted for section 42:

**"42.** Within his eligibility period of 24 months at the master's level or 36 months at the doctoral level, a scholarship holder may receive up to 6 instalments of a master's scholarship or up to 9 instalments of a doctoral scholarship. Each instalment shall correspond to one-third of the annual amount of the scholarship and shall cover a 4-month period of full-time study.".

**47.** Subdivision 9 of Division IV is revoked.

**48.** Section 46 is amended by striking out the second sentence.

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

## **Draft Regulation**

An Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-13.1)

#### Lottery video system — 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 By-Law amending the By-Law respecting video lottery system, adopted by the Société des loteries du Québec, the text of which appears below, may be submitted to the Government for approval upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of this draft regulation is to allow the introduction of bill acceptors on video lottery machines.

To that end, the draft regulation amends the mode of payment so that players can use paper money.

To date, study of the matter reveals the following impacts on citizens, businesses (SME in particular):

— a decrease of the administrative burden and operations for establishments where video lottery terminals are operated, because of a reduction in handling coins;

— an additional security measure for establishments where video lottery terminals are operated.

Additional information can be obtained by asking M<sup>e</sup> Lynne Roiter, Vice-president, Corporate Affairs, Loto-Québec, at telephone number (514) 499-5190 or at Fax number (514) 873-8999.

Any person having comments to make is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to M<sup>e</sup> Lynne Roiter, Vice-president, Corporate Affairs, Loto-Québec, 500, rue Sherbrooke Ouest, Office 2000, Montréal (Québec) H3A 3G6.

The comments will be forwarded by the company to the Vice-First Minister and State Minister of Economy and Finance, who is responsible for the application of the Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec.

MICHEL CRÊTE, President and General Manager

# By-law amending the By-law respecting video lottery system

An Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-13.1, a.13)

**1**. The By-law respecting video lottery system, approved by Order in Council 1252-93 dated September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1993, is amended by substituting, in section 4, the words "upon payment of Canadian coins" by the words "upon payment of an amount in Canadian money".

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

NOTICE OF THE RÉGIE DES ALCOOLS, DES COURSES ET DES JEUX RELATING TO THE BY-LAW AMENDING THE BY-LAW RESPECTING VIDEO LOTTERY SYSTEM

In accordance with the second paragraph of section 13 of the Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-13.1), the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux is publishing its notice relating to the By-law amending the By-law respecting video lottery system.

GHISLAIN K.-LAFLAMME, president-director general of the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux

## Notice of the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux relating to the By-law amending the By-law respecting video lottery system

The Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, following examination of the By-law amending the By-law respecting video lottery system, which was forwarded to it by the Société des loteries du Québec, declares that it is favorable to this By-Law.

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## **Draft Regulation**

An Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., c. F-2.1)

#### Apportionment of revenues from the tax paid by operators of certain systems — 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 to amend the Regulation respecting the apportionment of revenues from the tax paid by operators of certain systems, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the Draft Regulation is to turn the implicit amendment made by section 4 of Chapter 41 of the Statutes of 1996 to the Regulation respecting the apportionment of revenues from the tax paid by operators of certain systems into explicit provisions.

To that end, it proposes to designate the following as programs and program components financed by the revenues derived from the tax imposed under section 221 of the Act respecting municipal taxation: the equalization scheme, the program established in favour of the "central cities" of the census metropolitan areas, the program related to the operation of regional county municipalities and 2 components of the program intended to neutralize the financial impact of an amalgamation or annexation.

To date, study of the matter has revealed no impact on citizens and on businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. André Carrier, 20, avenue Pierre-Olivier-Chauveau, 3<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec), G1R 4J3; tel.: (418) 691-2030, fax: (418) 644-9863.

Any interested person having comments to make on the matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, 20, avenue Pierre-Olivier-Chauveau, 3<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec), G1R 4J3.

RÉMY TRUDEL, Minister of Municipal Affairs

#### Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the apportionment of revenues from the tax paid by operators of certain systems

An Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., c. F-2.1, s. 262, par. 4; 1996, c. 41, s. 2)

**1.** The Regulation respecting the apportionment of revenues from the tax paid by operators of certain systems, made by Order in Council 1088-92 dated 22 July 1992 and amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 1481-93 dated 27 October 1993 and 501-95 dated 12 April 1995, is further amended by inserting the following division before Division 1: