This section shall cease to apply to payments to be made after 31 December 1997.

132.7 Sections 93 and 96 of this regulation shall be amended as provided for in the second and third paragraphs of this section in respect of payments to be made under the Parental Wage Assistance program.

Section 93 is amended by substituting, in subparagraphs 1 to 4 of the first paragraph, the amounts "\$11,825", "\$12,149", "\$8,102" and "\$8,324" for the amounts "\$12,400", "\$13,040", "\$8,500" and "\$ 8,935" respectively.

Section 96 is amended by substituting in the first paragraph the percentages "30 %" and "32 %" for the percentages "25 %" and "28.5 %" respectively.

This section shall apply to payments to be made from 1 January 1998 to 31 December 1998.

132.8 Sections 93 and 96 of this regulation are amended as provided for in the second and third subparagraphs of this section in respect of payments to be made under the Parental Wage Assistance program.

Section 93 is amended by substituting in subparagraphs 1 to 4 of the first paragraph the amounts "\$11,370", "\$11,370", "\$7,790" and "\$7,790" for the amounts "\$11,825", "\$12,149", "\$8,102" and "\$8,324" respectively.

The following is substituted for the first paragraph of section 96:

"The percentage provided for in the first paragraph of section 48 of the Act shall be 35 %".

This section shall apply to payments to be made as of 1 January 1999.".

- 25. The amendments provided for in sections 17 to 20 and section 132.6 of the Regulation respecting income security introduced by section 24 of this Regulation shall apply to payments to be made after 31 August 1997. The amendments provided for in sections 21 and 23 of this Regulation shall apply to payments to be made after 30 September 1997.
- **26.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 September 1997.

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M.O., 1997

Order of the Minister responsible for the Act respecting immigration to Québec of 4 July 1997

An Act respecting immigration to Québec (R.S.Q., c. I-0.2)

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals

CONSIDERING section 3.4 of the Act respecting immigration to Québec (R.S.Q., c. I-0.2), which authorizes the Minister to establish, by regulation, the weighting of selection criteria for foreign nationals and the passing score and, where expedient, the cutoff score determined in relation to a selection criterion, applicable to the preliminary stage of selection and to the selection, which weighting and which scores may vary according to the family situation of the foreign national, according to the classes of foreign nationals and within the same class of foreign nationals;

CONSIDERING that on 9 September 1996, the Minister responsible for the Act respecting immigration to Québec made an Order published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 25 September 1996 prescribing the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to further amend that Regulation;

The Minister responsible for the Act respecting immigration to Québec hereby makes the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals, attached to this Order.

André Boisclair, Minister for Relations with the Citizens and Immigration

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals

An Act respecting immigration to Québec (R.S.Q., c. I-0.2, s. 3.4)

1. The Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals (M.O. dated 25 September 1996, amended by M.O. dated 2 October 1996) is amended by substituting the number "70" for

the number "75" prescribed as the PASSING SCORE for an applicant with a spouse at the end of Schedule I, entitled WORKER AND ASSISTED RELATIVE, in section 1.

- **2.** The number "30" is substituted for the number "31" for the cutoff score for factor 2C Employability and professional mobility in section 2.
- **3.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 August 1997.

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