- (3) by adding the following at the end: "The amounts of the cheques outstanding on the date of the application and intended to pay the rent, electricity and heating provided they are cashable during the month the application was made are also excluded.".
- **2.** The following is inserted after section 20:
- **"20.1** For the purposes of section 20, an amount, established as follows, shall be subtracted from the liquid assets of a family with a dependent minor child on the date of the application:

Adults	Dependent children	Amount
1	1	\$325
1	2	\$525
2	1	\$217
2	2	\$417

The amount shall be increased by an amount of \$200 for the third dependent minor child and for each subsequent child.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, an amount of \$217 for the first dependent child and of \$200 for each subsequent child shall be subtracted from the liquid assets of a family where one of the adults is referred to in subparagraphs 6.1 and 6.2 of section 2.

An amount of \$119 shall also be subtracted from the liquid assets for any dependent minor child receiving an allowance for a handicapped child under the Act respecting family benefits.".

3. This Regulation comes into force on 1 July 1998.

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Draft Regulation

An Act respecting income security (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1.1)

Income security — 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 income security, 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 amendments provided for in the draft Regulation is to limit certain effects of a transition

from a last resort assistance program to an active measure governed by Emploi-Québec.

More precisely, the amendments provide that a beneficiary who ceases to be eligible for a last resort assistance program because of his participation in a measure or employment assistance program may keep his claim booklet and continue to benefit from dental and pharmaceutical services. In addition, while keeping certain vested rights, it is proposed to revoke sections 7.1 and 13.2 of the Regulation respecting income security that have become obsolete. On the other hand, the amounts paid by Emploi-Québec as additional fees related to a participation in a measure or employment assistance program would not count. Finally, to avoid double coverage of the needs by Emploi-Québec and by a last resort assistance program, amendments are made in order to reduce certain special benefits granted under a last resort assistance program of any amount paid by Emploi-Québec to cover the same need.

Further information concerning the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Mr. Paul Dechêne, Direction générale des politiques, 425, rue Saint-Amable, 4° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4Z1 (Telephone: (418) 646-1696; fax: (418) 644-1299).

Any interested person having comments to make on the draft Regulation is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Minister of State for Employment and Solidarity and Minister of Employment and Solidarity, 425, rue Saint-Amable, 4° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4Z1.

LOUISE HAREL,

Minister of State for Employment and Solidarity and Minister of Employment and Solidarity

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting income security(*)

An Act respecting income security (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1.1, s. 25, 2nd par., s. 91, 1st par., subpars. 5, 8, 18, 40 and 2nd par.; 1997, c. 57, s. 58)

- **1.** Sections 7.1 and 13.2 of the Regulation respecting income security are deleted.
- **2.** Section 24 is amended

^{*} For amendments to the Regulation respecting income security, made by Order in Council 922-89 dated 14 June 1989 (1989, G.O. 2, 2443), refer to the Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 1997, updated to 1 March 1998.

- (1) by substituting "15" for "12" in subparagraph 1.1 of the first paragraph;
- (2) by inserting the following after subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph:
- "(4) for the entire duration of his participation in a measure or an employment assistance program where he ceases to be eligible for a last resort assistance program because of the amounts paid by Emploi-Québec, if he continues to participate in such a measure or program."
 - (3) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"If at the end of the period referred to in one of the subparagraphs of the first paragraph a beneficiary becomes eligible again for a last resort assistance program, the number of months of eligibility he accumulated in a last resort assistance program before the application of this paragraph shall remain the same at the time of his new application for eligibility, even if his eligibility was interrupted.".

- **3.** The following is inserted after section 41.1:
- **"41.2** The amount of the special benefits referred to in sections 37, 39 to 41.1 shall be reduced of any amount granted by Emploi-Québec to cover the same need.".
- **4.** The following is substituted for paragraphs 13 and 14 of section 52:
- "(13) amounts paid by the Minister and by Emploi-Québec as additional fees related to the participation in a measure or an employment assistance program;".
- **5.** The following is inserted after section 132.13:
- "132.14 The excluded work income referred to in sections 7, 8, 8.1, 9, 13, 14, 14.1 and 15 comprise the amounts paid by Emploi-Québec if the person was receiving, before 1 August 1998, financial assistance under Part II of the Employment Insurance Act for his participation in a measure or an employment assistance program. That exclusion shall apply for as long as that person continues, without interruption, to participate in that measure or program.
- 132.15 Paragraphs 13 and 14 of section 52, as they read before 1 August 1998, shall continue to apply with respect to a person having started, before 1 August 1998, a participation in the external manpower services program or in the young volunteers program as long as he continues, without interruption, to participate therein."
- **6.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 August 1998.

Draft Regulation

Public Service Act (R.S.Q., c. F-3.1.1)

Holding of competitions — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with section 50.1 of the Public Service Act (R.S.Q., c. F-3.1.1; 1996, c. 35), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the holding of competitions, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Conseil du trésor, with or without amendment, upon the expiry of 30 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to make consequential amendments to take into account the fact that, since the abolition of the Office des ressources humaines, the Regulation respecting the holding of competitions is a Regulation of the Conseil du trésor. Given the intention of the Government to lighten the standards in human resources management, the purpose of the draft Regulation is to simplify and update certain provisions related to the conditions of eligibility, to calls for applications for the holding of competitions, to the evaluation of candidates and to the qualifications list.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. André Bazinet, Secrétariat du Conseil du trésor, édifice H, 875, Grande-Allée Est, Québec (Québec) G1R 5R8, telephone: (418) 528-6462 or fax: (418) 646-8131.

Any interested person having comments to make on the matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 30-day period, to the Minister for Administration and the Public Service and Chairman of the Conseil du trésor, édifice H, 875, Grande-Allée Est, Québec (Québec) G1R 5R8.

JACQUES LÉONARD, Minister for Administration and the Public Service and Chairman of the Conseil du trésor