

ence, by form of energy, between the estimated expenditures of the Régie according to the estimates approved by the Government for the current fiscal period and the surplus of the revenues over the expenditures of the Régie for the preceding fiscal period anticipated in the same estimates. The surplus of the revenues over the expenditures anticipated for the preceding fiscal period includes the difference between, for the fiscal period prior to the latter, the surplus of the revenues over the expenditures appearing in the financial statements of the Régie audited by the Auditor General under section 109 of the Act and the surplus anticipated in the estimates for the fiscal period prior to the current fiscal period.

The annual duty payable by the distributor of a form of energy is the product of the rate multiplied by the volumes referred to in the first paragraph and ascribable to the distributor.

3. The annual duty is payable by a distributor of electric power or natural gas in equal instalments, on the first of each month, until full payment is made at the end of each fiscal period of the Régie.

On the first day of a fiscal period of the Régie, if the Government has not approved the estimates for the fiscal period, the duty for the preceding fiscal period shall continue to be payable until the last day of the month in which they were approved. Any amount collected in excess or owing with respect to the duty payable to the Régie for that period shall be equally divided among the remaining monthly instalments.

The annual duty is payable by a distributor of petroleum products or of steam in one instalment on the first of each fiscal period of the Régie or, where the estimates are approved by the Government after that date, on the first day of the month following that approval.

4. This Regulation does not govern distributors of petroleum products other than those who deliver fuel or diesel fuel that is imported, refined in Québec or traded with a Québec refiner.

5. This Regulation replaces the Regulation respecting the duties payable by gas distributors made by Order in Council 1627-94 dated 16 November 1994 and the Regulation respecting the duty payable to the Régie de l'Énergie, made by Order in Council 1634-97 dated 10 December 1997.

6. This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 1998.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 391-98, 25 March 1998

An Act respecting prescription drug insurance and amending various legislative provisions (1996, c. 2)

**Basic prescription drug insurance plan
— Amendments**

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan

WHEREAS under subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 78 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance and amending various legislative provisions (1996, c. 32), the Government may, after consulting the Régie de l'assurance-maladie du Québec, make regulations to determine the cases, conditions and therapeutic indications in and for which the cost of certain medications included in the list drawn up by the Minister in accordance with section 60 of the Act is covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan; the conditions may vary according to whether the coverage is provided by the Board or under a group insurance contract or an employee benefit plan;

WHEREAS under section 79 of the Act, such a regulation is not subject to the requirements concerning publication and date of coming into force contained in sections 8 and 17 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1);

WHEREAS by Order in Council 1519-96 dated 4 December 1996, the Government made the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 78 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance and amending various legislative provisions, the Régie de l'assurance-maladie du Québec has been consulted on those amendments;

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

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan*

An Act respecting prescription drug insurance and amending various legislative provisions (1996, c. 32, s. 78, 1st par., subpar. 3)

1. The Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan is amended in the second paragraph of section 2.1:

(1) by inserting the following after subparagraph 5:

“(5.1) ANAGRELIDE: for treatment of thrombocytopenia where the conventional therapy is ineffective or poorly tolerated;”;

(2) by inserting the following after subparagraph 7:

“(7.1) BRIMONIDINE:

(a) for adjuvant treatment of glaucoma where treatment with a beta-blocker produces insufficient control of ocular tension;

(b) for treatment of glaucoma where a beta-blocker is not tolerated or is contraindicated;”;

(3) by inserting the following after subparagraph 18:

“(18.1) CODEINE, syrup: for treatment of pain in persons unable to take tablets;”;

(4) by substituting the following for paragraph g of subparagraph 32:

“(g) for treatment of HIV-infected persons suffering from severe neutropenia (neutrophil count below $0.5 \times 10^9/L$);”;

(5) by substituting the following for subparagraph 52.1:

“(52.1) LATANOPROST:

(a) for adjuvant treatment of glaucoma where treatment with a beta-blocker produces insufficient control of ocular tension;

(b) for treatment of glaucoma where a beta-blocker is not tolerated or is contraindicated;”;

(6) by striking out the word “non-prophylactic” in subparagraph 72.

2. This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 1998.

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M.O., 1998

Order of the Minister of Public Security dated March 19, 1998

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

CONCERNING a correction to the order of the Minister of Public Security, dated 11 November 1997, respecting the approval of screening devices for the purposes of section 202.3 of the Highway Safety Code

The Minister of Public Security,

CONSIDERING the approval of screening devices by the Minister's Order dated 11 November 1997;

CONSIDERING the publication of that Order in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 26 November 1997;

CONSIDERING the necessity to correct errors in the designation of two of the devices listed in section 1 of the Order;

ORDERS:

THAT the designation of the first 2 devices listed in section 1 of the Order read as follows:

— Alco-Sensor IV DWF, made by Intoximeters inc.
— Alcotest® 7410 GLC, made by National Draeger inc.

Sainte-Foy, March 19, 1998

PIERRE BÉLANGER,
The Minister of Public Security

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* The Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan, made by Order in Council 1519-96 dated 4 December 1996 (1996, *G.O.* 2, 4941), was last amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 1217-97 dated 17 September 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, 4996) and 1709-97 dated 17 December 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, 6472). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 1997, updated to 1 September 1997.