- (1) a written document designating a person to act as an investigator under section 14 of the Act respecting the Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité and establishing the Commission des partenaires du marché du travail (1997, c. 63) or section 72 of the Act respecting income security (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1.1);
- (2) a written document designating a person to act as an examiner under section 70 of the Act respecting income security;
- (3) a certificate attesting a person's capacity as an examiner or investigator issued under section 74 of the Act respecting income security.
- 26. The director of the Centre de recouvrement is authorized to sign, in respect of the administrative units assigned to his responsibility:
- (1) a written document designating a person to act as an examiner under section 70 of the Act respecting income security;
- (2) a certificate attesting a person's capacity as an examiner issued under section 74 of the Act respecting income security.
- 27. The director of the Service de révision is authorized to sign, in respect of the administrative unit assigned to his responsibility, a document designating a person to carry out a review under section 77 of the Act respecting income security.
- 28. The Assistant Deputy Minister for operational and strategic planning, the director of the Centre de recouvrement and the head of the Service des mesures légales et soutien opérationnel of the Centre de recouvrement are authorized to sign any document required set up a hypothec or to otherwise guarantee a claim by the department and any related document.
- 29. The directors referred to in this Order in Council are authorized to certify as true documents and copies of documents issued by the department or belonging to its archives, and that they are authorized to sign under the provisions applying to them or in accordance with the powers inherent to their positions. They may also certify as true any document or copies of documents, including the transcription of a decision, certificate or any other data stored by the department in a computer or on any other magnetic medium, with respect to the records pertaining to their sector of activity or administrative unit.
- 30. The Assistant Deputy Minister for operational and strategic planning, the secretary of the department,

the director of internal verification and administrative inquiries and the director of the Centre de recouvrement are authorized to certify as true, for the department, any document or copies of documents issued by the department or belonging to its archives, including a transcription of a decision, certificate or any other data stored by the department in a computer or on any other magnetic medium.

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## **O.C. 364-98,** 25 March 1998

An Act respecting family benefits (1997, c. 57)

# Family benefits — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting family benefits

WHEREAS subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 8 of the Act respecting family benefits (1997, c. 57) enables the Government to determine, by regulation, the method for determining the income used to establish the amount of family allowance;

WHEREAS section 77 of the Act provides that in addition to the transitional provisions set out in the Act, the Government may, by a regulation made before 1 September 1998, make any other transitional provision needed to provide for the application of the Act, and that such a regulation may, if it so provides, apply from any date not prior to 1 August 1997;

WHEREAS section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) provides that a regulation may be made not-withstanding the publication requirement of section 8 of that Act if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS section 18 of that Act provides that a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS sections 13 and 18 of that Act provide that the reason justifying the absence of prior publication and such coming into force shall be published with the regulation; WHEREAS, in the opinion of the Government, the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication and such coming into force:

- the Act respecting family benefits, which came into force on 1 September 1997, put an end to the allowance paid for children less than six years of age;
- in order to help the persons most affected by the cancellation of that allowance, a family allowance increase will be granted to persons who are responsible for at least 4 children, until those born before 1 August 1997 reach the age of six;
- it is expedient to implement that measure as soon as possible so that the persons concerned are not disadvantaged;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Child and Family Welfare:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting family benefits, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

# Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting family benefits(\*)

An Act respecting family benefits (1997, c. 57, s. 8, 1st par., subpar. 2 and s. 77)

- **1.** Section 20.1 of the Regulation respecting family benefits is amended by substituting the following for the first paragraph:
- "20.1 For any reference year prior to 1998 referred to in the second paragraph of section 1, the following amounts shall be subtracted from the income referred to in the second paragraph of section 7:
- (1) the amount reimbursed during the year as the overpayment of an amount described in section 311.1 of the Taxation Act included in determining the income for the year or a preceding taxation year;
- (2) the amount reimbursed during the year in accordance with section 35 of the Act respecting income

security (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1.1) or with a similar statute of any Canadian province, insofar as the amount was included in determining the income for the year or a preceding taxation year.

If the result of that subtraction is less than zero, the income is deemed to be zero.".

- **2.** The Regulation is amended by inserting the following after section 20.1:
- **"20.2** A family allowance increase shall be granted to the person who is responsible for at least 4 children, until those born before 1 August 1997 reach the age of six

The amount of the increase, determined according to Schedule I, shall be added to those referred to in the third paragraph of section 9 and in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 10.

This section has effect from 1 August 1997.".

- **3.** The Regulation is amended by adding Schedule I at the end.
- **4.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

#### **SCHEDULE I**

(s. 20.2)

#### FAMILY ALLOWANCE INCREASE

Number of dependent children	Number of children less than 6 years of age born before 1 August 1997	Amount of the family allowance increase
4	1	\$270
	2	\$856
	3	\$1 091
	4	\$1 208
5	1	\$134
	2	\$720
	3	\$1 306
	4	\$1 540
	5	\$1 657
6	2	\$583
	3	\$1 169
	4	\$1 755
	5	\$1 989
	6	\$2 107

<sup>\*</sup> The Regulation respecting family benefits, made by Order in Council 1018-97 dated 13 August 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, p. 4363), was amended by the Regulation made by Order in Council 1612-97 dated 10 December 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, p. 5894).

Number of dependent children	Number of children less than 6 years of age born before 1 August 1997	Amount of the family allowance increase
7	2	\$446
	2 3 4	\$1 032
	4	\$1 618
	5	\$2 204
	6 or more	\$2 439
8	2	\$310
	2 3 4	\$896
		\$1 482
	5	\$2 068
	6 or more	\$2 654
9	2 3 4	\$173
	3	\$759
	4 5	\$1 345
		\$1 931
	6 or more	\$2 517
10	2 3 4	\$36
	3	\$622
		\$1 208
	5	\$1 794
	6 or more	\$2 380
11	3	\$486
	4	\$1 072
	5	\$1 658
	6 or more	\$2 244
12	3	\$349
	4	\$935
	5	\$1 521
	6 or more	\$2 107
13	3	\$213
	4	\$798
	5	\$1 384
	6 or more	\$1 970
14	3	\$76
	4	\$662
	5	\$1 248
	6 or more	\$1 834
15 or more	4	\$525
	5	\$1 111 \$1 697
	6 or more	

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### **O.C. 370-98,** 25 March 1998

An Act respecting the Société de développement industriel du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-11.01)

## Business Financing Assistance Program — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the Business Financing Assistance Program

WHEREAS under section 5 of the Act respecting the Société de développement industriel du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-11.01), the Government may establish, by regulation, financial assistance programs designed to promote economic development in Québec;

WHEREAS under subparagraphs b, c and n of the first paragraph of section 47 of that Act, the Government may make regulations, in particular to establish criteria to determine which businesses may receive financial assistance, and to determine the form of such financial assistance and the conditions a business must fulfil to obtain it;

WHEREAS by Order in Council 709-96 dated 12 June 1996, the Government made the Regulation respecting the Business Financing Assistance Program;

WHEREAS in order to support the implementation of fiscal measures promoting job creation within businesses working in information technology development centres announced in the Budget Speech of 25 March 1997, it is expedient to again amend the Regulation respecting the Business Financing Assistance Program;

WHEREAS under section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published as prescribed in section 8 of that Act if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS under section 18 of that Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS in the opinion of the Government, the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication of the Regulation and its coming into force on the date of its publication in the Gazette officielle du Québec: in a context of strong international competition, it is important to ensure