

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
	3	\$1 032
	4	\$1 618
	5	\$2 204
	6 or more	\$2 439
8	2	\$310
	3	\$896
	4	\$1 482
	5	\$2 068
	6 or more	\$2 654
9	2	\$173
	3	\$759
	4	\$1 345
	5	\$1 931
	6 or more	\$2 517
10	2	\$36
	3	\$622
	4	\$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
4		\$935
5		\$1 521
6 or more		\$2 107
13		3
	4	\$798
	5	\$1 384
	6 or more	\$1 970
	14	3
4		\$662
5		\$1 248
6 or more		\$1 834
15 or more		4
	5	\$1 111
	6 or more	\$1 697

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Gouvernement du Québec

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

Québec's beneficial rank in the information technology sector that offers good investment and employment growth prospects.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make that Regulation;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of State for the Economy and Finance and Minister of Industry, Trade, Science and Technology:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the Business Financing Assistance Program, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the Business Financing Assistance Program(*)

An Act respecting the Société de développement industriel du Québec
(R.S.Q., c. S-11.01, ss. 5 and 47, subpars. *b*, *c* and *n*)

1. The Regulation respecting the Business Financing Assistance Program is amended by substituting the following for section 2:

“**2.** Any financial assistance granted under this Program shall be used to carry out an investment project, a technological innovation project, a design innovation project, an export project, a strategic business alliance project, a new economy project, an international convention organization project or a shipbuilding project, or to finance tax credits for scientific research and experimental development and tax credits for businesses grouped in information technology development centres.”.

2. Section 3 is amended by adding the following after paragraph 14:

“14.1 “information technology development centre” means the grouping in the same building of information technology development businesses entitled to refundable tax credits in respect of the salaries paid to eligible employees and of the acquisition of eligible specialized material.”.

* The Regulation respecting the Business Financing Assistance Program, made by Order in Council 709-96 dated 12 June 1996 (1996, *G.O.* 2, 2770) was amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 645-97 dated 13 May 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, 2211) and 1690-97 dated 17 December 1997 (*G.O.* 2, 6343).

3. The following is substituted for section 12:

“**12.** Financial assistance granted under this Program may not be less than:

(1) \$20 000 where it is granted to an adapted work centre or to a business working in an information technology development centre;

(2) \$1 000 000 where it is granted in the form of buyer credit;

(3) \$50 000 in other cases.”.

4. The following is substituted for section 15:

“**15.** A loan or credit line guaranteed by the Corporation to finance tax credits for scientific research and experimental development and tax credits for businesses grouped in information technology development centres may not exceed 75 % of such credits.”.

5. This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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O.C. 381-98, 25 March 1998

Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26)

Industrial relations counsellors — Code of ethics

Code of ethics of the members of the Ordre des conseillers en relations industrielles du Québec

WHEREAS under section 87 of the Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26) the Bureau of a professional order must make, by regulation, a code of ethics governing the general and special duties of the professional towards the public, his clients and his profession, particularly the duty to discharge his professional obligations with integrity;

WHEREAS under the same section of the Professional Code, the code of ethics must contain, *inter alia*:

(1) provisions determining which acts are derogatory to the dignity of the profession;